

## **New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting**

**February 8, 2023**

Board members present: Paul Ngai, Jeff White, Dave Allaway, Allison Mack, Josephine Skwish, Wade Howard, Matthew Cahn, Jamie Kavalieros, Bob Isbitski\*, Ross Karlin. Board member absent: Mark Hulbrock. Others present: Elihu Savad\*, Colin Vozech\*, Neil Gambony, Vinny Vigorito, Brian Morgan\*, Larry Engel, Mirril McMullen, Ron Gemeinhardt, Hank Farber\*. (\* via video/teleconference)

### **President**

Paul Ngai called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM at Alfonso's. Jeff White motioned to accept the January minutes as distributed and Ross Karlin seconded (approved unanimously). Paul expressed his appreciation for all the hard work everyone does. Matthew thanked Paul for his recent e-mail letter to chapter members. Paul reported on the Rolex 24 At Daytona. Chapter members in attendance included Paul, Larry, Allison, and Mirril. In all, about 100 BMW CCA members were in attendance.

Ross will provide Bossert family information so that Matthew Cahn can send the previously approved donation to the NJ Sharing Network. A memorial drive will also be planned.

### **Regional Vice President**

Larry Engel reported on the recent national board meeting (minutes to be published).

### **Vice President**

Allison Mack reported that we had a good turnout for the Shade Tree Garage meeting, with about 50 in attendance. Planned membership meetings are: 2/23 Driving Events Expo at Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC), 3/22 at BMW of Bridgewater, 4/27 at BimmerService by TySpeed in Jackson; 6/17 at eMpower Automotive in Belvidere; August (date to be determined) Show & Shine at DCC, and September (date to be determined) at Circle BMW in Eatontown.

### **Driving Events**

Jeff White reported that both spring ///M Club Days at Spartanburg are filled. The fall dates are still open.

Jamie Kavalieros reported that 2023 driver school pricing is done and will be up by 30-35% or approximately \$100. Mirril McMullen will provide the updated 2023 tech form to Colin this week or next.

Larry Engel reported that our 2023 Tire Rack Street Survival dates have been approved by Bergen County. Matthew will need to pay our deposits via the county portal.

Elihu Savad reported that the membership requirement will potentially put our autocross pricing in SCCA territory, without their superior venue. Actual 2023 autocross pricing will be decided by the Driving Events committee. Jeff reviewed the autocross survey results, which were favorable, with our events regarded as a good value. Most respondents will attend more events next [this] year. The need for getting results to the participants faster, without interfering with timing & scoring, was noted. The New York Chapter uses AXWare and is willing to provide any assistance we need.

Ross Karlin reported that NJMP Thunderbolt (June) driver school and club race will again be our charity event and he is working on sponsorship. Our annual Summit Point [Geoff Atkinson Memorial] club race is also planned. Ross noted that the VIR [Tarheel Chapter March/April] club race already has 112 entrants. There is no conflict this year between our Summit Point race and Pittsburgh (which is not a BMW CCA sanctioned event this year) nor between our Shenandoah school and the Vintage Racer Group (which is not doing NJMP this year). It was noted that the NJ Chapter stood its ground on not yielding our long-standing club race date at Summit Point.

### **Treasurer**

Matthew Cahn distributed the current Income/Expense and Balance statement (see attached). Based on his recent phone discussion with the IRS, our disputed 2020 late filing penalty has been rescinded. In regard to our disputed 2020 paper-filing penalty, the IRS suggested that we re-file electronically. Matthew is working on reactivating our Square account which expired on 12/1/22. Resolving the account ownership issue will likely require assistance from [former Business Manager] Matt Baratz who Ron Gemeinhardt will contact. Matthew noted a difficulty with updating the national calendar with autocross dates and Larry reiterated that he wishes to be informed of any such issues.

After discussion, Ross Karlin motioned to donate \$10,000 to the Westlake School on the basis of our 2022 charity event and other chapter income. Dave Allaway seconded (approved unanimously). The formal presentation at the Union County Educational Services Commission will be on 3/1 or 4/5.

### **Social Events**

Josephine Skwish and Wade Howard reported that they are going to visit a venue in Paramus which has been offered to us, and which potentially accommodates 400 cars, for an April Cars & Coffee. We will need volunteers, for which they are planning a 3/19 or 3/20 volunteer webinar. Our Vintage BMW and Pizza get-together will be 5/12. Our members-only Go-Karting event will be 7/21.

### **Communications**

Wade Howard is working with Bob, Mark, Colin and Josephine on communications. He has confirmed with the editor that the BimmerLife deadlines are 6/1 and 12/1. Mirril offered to write one article. The strategic planning committee is proceeding, with a report planned for March or April. Wade is getting name tag quotes from Crown Trophy. He has also reached out to the DelVal Chapter president on partnering on one or two social events this year. Our first quarterly e-mail will be around 4/1. Wade noted that the BMW Clubs International Council has aligned with BMW AG on incorporating the new transparent roundel design into club logos. Wade would like to do a grill badge based on our traditional NJ Chapter logo.

### **Members-at-Large**

Mark Hulbrock reported via e-mail that he needs to know when autocross registration opens so that he can update the website with links [pricing tbd as noted above]. Mark offered to post the latest [January] minutes. He also needs the confirmed latest revision to the Chapter Bylaws, which Brian Morgan will provide. Recent e-mails sent include: February Driving Events Expo first reminder, February new members welcome, Paul's President's Letter. Mark suggested that the marketing team develop a summary message for spring events. Upcoming e-mails are February meeting reminders 2/16 and 2/21.

### **Old Business**

Jeff motioned to appoint Colin Vozeh as webmaster. Ross seconded (approved unanimously). Jeff motioned to appoint Jamie Kavalieros as Driving Events Chair and Ross Karlin as Race Chair. Matthew seconded (approved unanimously). It was noted that the Business Manager and Newsletter Editor positions remain open. Wade Howard is working on the latter.

### **New Business**

The next board meeting was set for Wednesday March 15<sup>th</sup> [Note: not the usual 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday] at 7:30 PM at Alfonso's. Jamie motioned to adjourn at 9:15 PM and Jeff seconded (approved unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Allaway, Secretary

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Event/Category	Income	Expense	Net Notes
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NJMP April 2023 Thunderbolt	\$0.00	\$14,550.00	(\$14,550)
NJMP June 2023 Thunderbolt	\$0.00	\$9,309.00	(\$9,309)
SPR July 2022 Summit Point	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
SPR October 2022 Shenandoah	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Miscellaneous operations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Other (Non-recurring)	\$0.00	\$42.65	(\$43)
<b>Total Driving Events</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$23,902</b>	<b>(\$23,902)</b>

Advertising/Newsletter	\$66.67	\$0.00	\$67
Dues/Membership	\$1,354.74	\$0.00	\$1,355
Telecomm. & Media	\$0.00	\$58.47	(\$58)
Autocross	\$0.00	\$100.00	(\$100)
Instructor seminar	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Rally	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Social Events	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Street Survival	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Toolbox	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Meetings/Travel	\$0.00	\$178.09	(\$178)
Fundraising & Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$1.70	\$286.00	(\$284)
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$1,423</b>	<b>\$623</b>	<b>\$801</b>

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,423</b>	<b>\$24,524</b>	<b>(\$23,101)</b>
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Net as of Feb. 2022: (\$24,038)

Balance Sheet		
	Current	12/31/2022
Checking (combined)	\$91,970.60	\$91,214.40
Savings	\$50,083.66	\$50,081.96
	<b>\$142,054.26</b>	<b>\$141,296.36</b>
Assets	\$4,746.26	\$4,746.26
Newsletter deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Venue rental deposits	\$11,200.00	\$35,059.00
	<b>\$17,446.26</b>	<b>\$41,305.26</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$159,500.52</b>	<b>\$182,601.62</b>