

**New Jersey Chapter of the BMW CCA Board Meeting
July 20, 2011**

Board members present: Larry Engel, Jerry Faber, Doug Feigel, Ross Karlin, Jamie Kavalieros, Mark Mallory, Paul Ngai, Colin Vozeh, Jeff White. Board members absent: Dave Allaway, Al Drugos, Deb Kolar. Others present: Neil Gambony, Vic Lucariello, Brian Morgan, Elihu Savad.

President

Larry Engel called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Larry moved to waive the reading of the June minutes. The motion carried unanimously. Larry reported on plans for the BMW corral for the NJMP Grand-Am event. As pre-race sign-up is small, track management has agreed to allow any BMWs or Minis at the race to park in the corral. There was discussion of recruitment of sponsors. Prestige BMW, where Larry Engel and Doug Feigel had visited before the meeting for a Steve Dinan presentation, was mentioned as a candidate.

Vice President

Vice President Paul Ngai reported on possible meeting topics. As little interest has been expressed in a possible August TD Bank ball park visit, that meeting was not to be held. Nothing else will be scheduled for August. A possible September presentation by a state trooper was mentioned, along with a possible fall meeting at Unique Photo with Klaus Schnitzer as presenter. Paul was to follow up on both of these meetings and explore other possibilities for the fall.

Treasurer

Mark Mallory distributed the income & expense report and balance sheets. He confirmed that the June Thunderbolt event was profitable. It was noted that High Point, which had already provided sponsorship for the street survival school, would also sponsor the introductory school at NJMP in October.

Social Events

In Al Drugos' absence, there was no report. As noted under the Vice President's report, the TD Bank Ballpark event was canceled.

Newsletter

Newsletter editor Jerry Faber raised the issue of whether the newsletter should continue to be produced on a monthly basis. After discussion, the board affirmed the need for a monthly publication, although it was noted that the November/December issue would be combined, as it was in 2010.

Website

Webmaster Colin Vozeh proposed to bring hosting in-house, but the board elected to continue with outside hosting.

Business Manager

Doug Feigel reported that both Bavarian Autosport and Shade Tree Garage had renewed as advertisers. Doug said that he would share the recently revised rate sheet with other chapters.

Driving Events

Jamie Kavalieros noted that there were already 63 signups for the Summit Point school. He noted that he was asking for volunteers to donate helmets to be used as loaners, and said that with changes in state regulations the chapter would most likely have to purchase five or six full-face helmets this year. Vic Lucariello noted that a brake fluid tester would be a valuable tool for driving school technical inspections, and proposed that the chapter purchase one. The price is \$350. A motion to purchase the tester was approved. The board discussed recent E36 power steering hose failures in the light of an incident at a recent Watkins Glen driving school. It was noted that Vic Lucariello was an early identifier of the issue. Autocross chairman Elihu Savad noted that three autocrosses had been run, with another three, and possibly, four, remaining on the 2011 schedule. While dates were available for a street survival school at the PNC Bank lot, the site was ruled out as there was no classroom available. Elihu was to check dates at Raritan Expo Center. Elihu noted that PCA would like to run a joint autocross with BMW CCA at the Meadowlands. The autocross committee was to investigate this possibility.

New Membership

Neil Gambony reported that he was preparing a new set of new member letters.

Old Business

Jeff White noted that there were still unanswered questions from the National Office regarding the Chapter's possibly running an O-Fest drivers school. Larry was to forward the questions to National Events Manager Linda Axelson. It was noted that the \$100 charity donation in memory of Andy Korinis' mother had not yet been sent pending notification of the proper charity. The board agreed not to pursue Willie McBride's as an alternative board meeting location.

Next Meeting

The next board meeting was set for August 17 at Alfonso's. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Morgan, Acting Secretary