

**New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting
November 9, 2011**

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

President

Larry Engel called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM at Alphonso's in Somerville. Jeff White moved to waive the reading of the minutes of the October meeting and Mark Mallory seconded (carried unanimously). Larry thanked everyone for a great year. The finances are in much better shape and we have new sponsors. Larry would now like to focus on building membership. Arnaud Laforge would like to get BMW of Tenafly on board as a sponsor. Doug will follow up. Larry reported on his weekend at the Hilton Head concours. Larry discussed with Erik Wensberg (former BMW M Brand Manager) the potential of the Oscar Davis Collection as a meeting venue.

Vice President

Paul Ngai reported that the Flemington BMW meeting was a success, with over 70 members in attendance. A video was posted on their Facebook page. Matt Russell, BMW M Brand Manager, was a last-minute speaker. Paul reported on planned meetings as follows: The election and Pinewood Derby will be 12/6 at 7pm. Wednesday 1/25 will be at 7pm at Unique Photo with Klaus Schnitzer as speaker. It was noted that the large room is available at Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC) on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We agreed on Tuesday 2/21 at 7:30pm at DCC, topic TBD (possibly Union Police, Ross to arrange). Saturday 3/24 will be at the BMW Vehicle Distribution Center (VDC), as a tour with limited attendance and pre-registration required, starting at 9am (approx. 8-8:30 check-in) and go until about noon. Wednesday 4/18 at 6:30pm at Park Avenue BMW. May is TBD, possibly at DCC with a guest speaker, or DeSimone BMW (Mt. Laurel) with a GrandAm speaker. June at BMW NA.

Treasurer

Mark distributed an income & expense report and balance sheet. He reported there we have \$1000 in rental fees that will carry over into 2012. Remaining expenses are the Nov/Dec newsletter and the DCC meeting. We expect a net positive income. Some unpaid invoices have gone out. Two more payments are expected from National. National reimbursements requested include the Instructor Seminar and Instructor Training. There was a discussion on next year's deposits for NJMP and Summit Point.

Secretary

Nominations held for new business (see below).

Social Events

No report. It was agreed that the Board will give the Social Events Chair full authority over the banquet venue.

Newsletter

Larry reported that Jerry wishes to spend \$900 on a new computer. The newsletter deadline is this week.

Website

No report.

Business Manager

Doug has a new NJ Corporate Code for the club, and obtained a registration and license plate for the trailer today. Existing sponsors are due for renewal and new sponsors are being worked on. There was a discussion on the status of various sponsors, including advertising options. Vic Lucariello suggested a tech session, and Paul suggested Shade Tree as a possibility. Doug reported that Ken Hershkovitz no longer wishes to be in charge of the Chapter Toolbox. Doug is following up with potential members to take this over. Larry will check with National on whether we are required to maintain a phone line, with discussion tabled for a future meeting.

Driving Events

Jeff distributed a detailed list of income and expenses for each 2011 event. Net profit for all 2011 schools and races was \$14,681. Jeff indicated that he had tentative dates, to be announced (subject to signed contracts), for all 2102 events. Jeff noted that we will continue to use MotorsportReg. Ross reported that the Northeast Driving Events Conference is in Albany this weekend, and we will have a contingent of attendees.

Autocross

Elihu reported that there were five good autocross events this year, and they were profitable. Jeff reported that BMW NA has requested a list of models and dates for school and autocross participants. Doug also noted a BMW NA request for detailed photos, including engine compartment, of a stock 1986 325e and 1988 325.

Membership

Neil reported that he sent out 123 new member letters last month, and that there had been a backlog due to a database change at National.

Social Media

Deb reported that Facebook membership continues to grow.

Old Business

Discussion of the purchase wish-list was tabled until January.

New Business

Dave Allaway reported on nominations as follows. President: Larry Engel, VP: Paul Ngai, Treasurer: Chris Leckenby, Secretary: Dave Allaway, Driving Events Chair: Neil Gambony, Social Events Chair: Al Drugos, Members-at-Large: Doug Feigel and Ron Gemeinhardt. Jeff moved to close the nominations and Ross seconded (carried unanimously). There was a discussion on the Westlake School donation, which was settled at \$6,010 (plus \$3,990 in previous sponsor and direct contributions not recorded as NJ BMW CCA income), and contingent on receipt of expected reimbursements from National. Dave so moved and Ross seconded (carried unanimously). The next meeting was set for 1/11/12 at Alphonso's. Vic asked that Mark and Deb be thanked for their contributions to the Board during 2012. Ross moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:38pm and Deb seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,
David Allaway, Secretary