

**New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting
February 8, 2012**

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

President

Larry Engel called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Al Drugos moved to waive the reading of the minutes from the January meeting and Jeff White seconded (carried unanimously). Larry moved to appoint Ron Gemeinhardt as Treasurer, replacing Acting Treasurer Mark Mallory, and Neil Gambony seconded (carried unanimously). Larry requested candidates for Member-at-Large, to replace Ron Gemeinhardt. The appointment would be made at the March board meeting. Larry reported that we are set for a corral at the NJMP GrandAm event on May 11-13. There will be no burden to the NJ Chapter to handle ticket packages. A blast e-mail went out recently to 2,157 chapter members, with no apparent problems. Larry gave the trailer renewal to Doug Feigel.

Vice-President

Paul Ngai reported that the meeting at Unique Photo had approximately 60 members in attendance. There was a discussion on RSVP's, so that the host would have a better sense of the number of attendees. Paul noted changes to the date and location of the February meeting, which will now be at Shade Tree in Morristown on 2/22, with Sgt. Christie of Union Police presenting. The March meeting will be at the BMW Vehicle Distribution Center, with registration to open at 9 AM on 2/24. Only BMW CCA members may be in attendance. Flemington BMW will sponsor lunch. It was agreed that special editorial mention be given in appreciation. The April meeting will be 4/18 at Park Avenue BMW, program to be determined. The May meeting will be 5/17 at Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC). The June meeting will be at BMW NA, date to be determined.

Treasurer

Mark Mallory distributed the financial year-end reports for 2011. Two remaining invoices from DCC and one anticipated reimbursement from National (for the 2011 Instructor Seminar) will be recorded as 2012 items.

Social Events

Al Drugos reported that the banquet is moving along, and door prizes are being solicited. Al has arranged for a DJ.

Newsletter

Jerry Faber reported that the February issue was mailed yesterday. It was agreed that those present would report date of receipt. The deadline for the March issue is February 17th.

Website

It was noted that there was a 1-1/2 day outage recently. Doug suggested that our website needs to be updated for improved compatibility with mobile devices, which now constitute more than 50% of web browsing.

Business Manager

Doug Feigel reported that Merrill Lynch Wealth Management is now a sponsor. Doug mentioned two potential new advertisers.

Driving Events

Neil Gambony reported that the championship trophy and other awards are being worked on. Neil asked about interest in a Spring Rally.

Autocross

Elihu reported that there is no 2012 schedule yet. TD Ballpark is planning construction in the Red Lot which may impact our use during and after construction. Construction start date and duration have not been established. PNC Bank North Lot availability is unknown, but the South Lot may be available. Available Expo dates correspond with major holidays. Woodbridge Mall is under discussion but the available space is unclear. Rutgers was mentioned as a possible venue, but may be restricted to school-related events. Elihu reported that our 2012 Motor Vehicle Racing License will be issued to us by the NJ State Police. Elihu has requested delivery in advance of our first event.

Driver Schools

Jeff White reported that all dates are posted and registration is open. Jeff announced that the 2012 Instructor Seminar will be 3/17 at BMW NA, with guest speaker David Donahue. Registration will be via MotorsportReg.

Larry reported recent discussions with Wayne Valley HS regarding TireRack Street Survival (TSS). They would be interested in two schools, but probably not until 2013. Larry would like us to do two TSS schools in 2012, possibly May and October.

Membership

Larry noted that he is looking for someone to take over Neil's membership responsibilities.

Old Business

Ross reported that Wednesday 3/7 is the next meeting of the Union County Educational Services Commission, at which the Westlake School donation could be presented.

New Business

Larry asked for possible rally-masters.

Larry would like to participate as a vendor at non-club events which may attract new members. This will be subject to further discussion. The next meeting was set for Wednesday 3/14 at Alfonso's. Al moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM and Ron seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Allaway, Secretary