New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting September 5, 2012

Board members present: Larry Engel, Jeff White, Ron Gemeinhardt, Doug Feigel, Neil Gambony, Paul Ngai, Dave Allaway. Board members absent: Jerry Faber, Al Drugos, Ross Karlin, Colin Vozeh, Ron Acher. Others present: Elihu Savad, Jamie Kavalieros, Jeff Caldwell, Jon Trudel.

President

Larry Engel called the meeting to order at 7:22 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Neil Gambony moved to accept the August minutes as distributed and Jeff White seconded (carried unanimously). Larry noted that our next TireRack Street Survival (TSS) event is coming up on 9/30, currently with a lengthy waiting list. Larry reported that Ross will be getting the permit for Campgaw and already has Fire Department (water) lined-up. Larry asked about the status of the expected \$1300 reimbursement for the previous TSS, which Ron reported as not yet received. Larry noted that 2013 board nominations are requested by the next meeting.

Vice-President

Paul Ngai reported that the meeting at Prestige BMW was a success. The next meeting will be at JMK BMW on 9/27 (Thursday) with a facility tour and new car demos. The meeting is at 7:00, but early arrival is suggested. The October meeting will be 10/18 (Thursday) at the Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC) at 7:30, with Ingrid Steffensen as guest speaker. Paul solicited 2013 meeting ideas. Rob Siegel was suggested as a guest speaker. Doug noted that Flemington BMW has asked to host a meeting. Paul reported that a repeat of the BMW Vehicle Distribution Center (VDC) tour will be held on Saturday March 23, 2013. It was agreed that we would send a blast e-mail covering JMK, the Intro School, Autocross, the Whack-Your-Turkey Rally, and request for nominations.

Treasurer

Ron Gemeinhardt distributed and reviewed the year-to-date financial reports (income & expense and balance sheet). Ron noted that reimbursement is still expected for the 2012 Instructor Seminar.

Secretary

Dave Allaway thanked Ron Acher for taking the August minutes.

Social Events

There was discussion and general agreement on locating the 2013 banquet in the Bergen County vicinity.

Newsletter

Jerry Faber reported via e-mail that the September Bulletin will go out at the end of the week, and the October Bulletin deadline is 9/15. Jerry thanked Brian Morgan for the great photos.

Website

It was noted that there have been no problems with the new web-hosting service.

Business Manager

Doug Feigel reported that Bavarian Autosport and Flemington BMW have renewed. Plymouth Rock declined to sponsor a driver school. It was decided that no additional TSS sponsorship would be accepted at this time.

Driving Events

Neil Gambony reported that the Whack-Your-Turkey Rally is being worked on, and information will be forthcoming.

Driver Schools

Jeff White reported that registration for Shenandoah is significantly lower than the past four years. Despite the anticipated loss for Shenandoah, our net revenue from driver schools and club races is still substantially ahead of forecast. Registration for the Intro School is slow but steady, and still too early to tell if we will fill the event again this year. The Driving Events Committee requested additional loaner helmets prior to the Intro School (see below). Jeff noted that NJMP is already asking for dates for next year.

Autocross

Elihu Savad reported that the next autocross will be 9/9 at the PNC Bank Arts Center. The 10/17 autocross has been relocated from PNC to the NJ Expo Center. Elihu noted that the availability of the TD Bank Ballpark lot is uncertain in 2013 due to planned solar panels. Larry suggested an item in the Bulletin soliciting member input on potential autocross venues.

Old Business

Jeff Caldwell reported on the status of the Chapter Toolbox and suggested some additions including a fender roller, new compression tester, S54 valve-adjust kit, and M50/S50 timing tools. Larry solicited specific capital expense proposals, including the aforementioned toolbox items. The Autocross Committee will submit capital needs to Neil by next month. After discussion, Larry moved to immediately purchase eight Snell-rated (2010 SA) full-face helmets, cost not to exceed \$2500. Doug seconded (motion carried unanimously).

New Business

The next Board meeting was set for Wednesday 10/10 at Alfonso's. Jeff moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 PM and Paul seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted, Dave Allaway, Secretary