

**New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting  
November 20, 2013**

Board members present: Jeff Caldwell, Ross Karlin, Ron Gemeinhardt, Jeff White, Neil Gambony, Colin Vozeh, Dave Allaway, John Gyorfy, Marc Goeller, Bob Isbitski. Board members absent: Paul Ngai, Jerry Faber. Others present: Elihu Savad, Doug Feigel, Blake Smith, Matt Baratz.

**President**

Jeff Caldwell called the meeting to order at 7:51 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Jeff White moved to accept the October minutes as distributed. John Gyorfy seconded (carried unanimously). Jeff noted that 2014 is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of NJ Chapter driver schools, and is working on a special commemorative logo. The National Chapter Congress is in Dallas, March 14-16. Jeff plus one other delegate will attend as Chapter representatives. Ross Karlin will also attend in his National DEC capacity. Jeff thanked the board for their hard work in 2013.

**Vice-President**

Jeff Caldwell noted, on Paul Ngai's behalf, that the December meeting will be 12/3, the VDC event on 3/29, and a meeting at BMW NA is planned for June. Jeff is also working on a joint event with the DelVal Chapter at the Simeone Museum.

**Secretary**

Dave Allaway reported the nominations received for 2014 Board positions as follows: President - Jeff Caldwell, Vice President - Marc Goeller, Secretary - Dave Allaway, Treasurer - Ron Gemeinhardt, Members-at-Large - Doug Feigel, Bob Isbitski, Paul Ngai.

**Treasurer**

Ron Gemeinhardt distributed and reviewed the year-to-date financial reports (income & expense and balance sheet). Ron noted that this includes the Franklin Lakes Fire Department donation and the 2014 banquet deposit. Ron also reviewed the year-to-date non-event specific Driving Events costs, and year-to-date Autocross costs. Doug Feigel noted that any remaining sponsorship and advertising income has been deferred to January. Ron noted that approximately \$3,000 in membership dues is still expected from National, along with ITS and Instructor Seminar reimbursements. November/December newsletter costs are still expected in 2013.

**Business Manager**

Doug Feigel reported that Circle BMW payments are being received monthly. Park Avenue BMW did not renew. Doug is working on the Shade Tree Garage renewal. Eurosport's renewal is coming up.

**Social Events**

John Gyorfy reported that the website link to the banquet is working and looks good. An e-mail blast is going out tomorrow.

**Newsletter**

Jeff Caldwell reported that Jerry Faber plans to remain as newsletter editor in 2014.

**Website**

Colin Vozeh plans to continue as Web manager. Colin noted a server relocation which was accomplished on short notice.

**Members-at-Large**

Marc Goeller reported that most recent suggestions have been incorporated into the new website prototype. Charles Schmidt plans to switch to the new website by December. The forums will need to be locked-down for a day or two in order to migrate.

**Driving Events**

Neil Gambony noted that the Whack-Your-Turkey Rally is this Sunday (11/24). Insurance has been obtained. Neil will be soliciting ideas on banquet awards.

**Driver Schools**

Jeff White reported on an expected \$8-9,000 profit from 2013 driver schools. There was a waiting-list on 4 out of 5 events. We had 373 total students (vs. 364 in 2012), and 70 racers (vs. 81 in 2012). In summary, it was a great season. Jeff noted that NJMP has been asked to make some improvements in Turn 1. The current schedule for 2014 is as follows: 4/7-8 - NJMP Thunderbolt Driver School / ITS, 6/2-3 - NJMP Thunderbolt 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Driver School / Race School / Club Race, 7/26-27 - SPR Geoff Atkinson Memorial Driver School and Club Race, 9/6-7 - Shenandoah Driver School, 10/12-13 - NJMP Lightning Intro School.

**Autocross**

Elihu Savad reported that we had six autocross events in 2013. An offer of NJ Expo Center on 11/10 has been declined. Elihu is looking for dates and locations for 2014. A location in Wall Township is being considered, and South Plainfield (former Cornell-Dubilier).

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

There was a discussion on membership retention and involvement in Chapter events. Marc Goeller suggested Circle BMW and Prestige BMW as meeting venues, to attract members from Northern NJ. After discussion, Jeff Caldwell moved to designate a Westlake School contribution of \$4,855, plus any National reimbursements in excess of \$2,750. This does not include direct donations and matching funds of \$1,200 directly to Westlake from National. Jeff White seconded (carried unanimously). The next Board meeting was set for Wednesday, 1/8/14 at Alfonso's. Marc Goeller moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 PM and John Gyorfy seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted, Dave Allaway, Secretary