

**New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting  
April 17, 2019**

Board members present: Neil Gambony, Ron Gemeinhardt, Bob Isbitski, Dave Allaway, Ross Karlin, Paul Ngai, Jamie Kavalieros, Jeff White. Board members absent: Mark Hulbrock, Colin Vozeh, Jerry Faber. Others present: Elihu Savad, Warren Brown, Brian Morgan, Mirril McMullen, Rich Altman.

**President**

Neil Gambony called the meeting to order at 7:28 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Jamie Kavalieros motioned to approve the March minutes as distributed and Paul Ngai seconded (approved unanimously). Neil reported, from Steve Johnson, that we are not to order logo merchandise from Lands' End. Events for the national calendar need to be submitted by tomorrow.

**Vice President**

Paul Ngai reported that the BMW Vehicle Distribution Center (VDC) tour two weeks ago was very successful. Paul thanked BMW of Bridgewater, the BMW VDC staff, BMW NA and our volunteers. The tour raised \$5,500 for the BMW CCA Foundation. The remaining apparel will be offered at the 4/27 Cars & Coffee event with Erik Wensberg. It was decided that no lunch would be provided at that event. The 5/22 meeting will be a dent repair demo by Dent Busters and held at Shade Tree Garage in Morristown. The Biergarten at Deutscher Club of Clark will be 6/7. The Pikes Peak send-off at Tyspeed Automotive in Jackson will be 6/19. The tour of the Oscar Davis Collection will be a Saturday in September. We are agreeable to 9/14, 9/21 or 9/28, at their convenience.

**Driving Events**

Jeff White reported that Thunderbolt ITS/Driver School had 11 ITS students, with 10 graduates. Attendance at the event was a little light and was short on Saturday/Sunday students. We will probably record a \$1,500 loss. Jamie Kavalieros reported that Bill Van Ocker did a great job with his first driver school as Chief Instructor. Jeff White did his first stint as ITS classroom instructor. Tyler Pappas donated his time and expertise for in-car pointers for advanced students. Warren Brown reported that tech went well, with assistance from the NY Chapter. It was noted that some students arrived with older tech forms of unknown origin. All forms are up-to-date on our website, but links to the forms need to be updated on MotorsportReg. Warren reported that he will not be available as Chief of Tech in 2020. Jeff will send information on the SCCA rally to Jeff Caldwell for inclusion in a blast e-mail. Larry Engel is seeking instructors for the Tire Rack Street Survival school on 6/30.

**Autocross**

Elihu Savad reported that we have all the paperwork done for all six 2019 autocross events. We need constructive feedback on the Boston classification system which Elihu would like to adopt. We are currently using their webpage calculator for classification. The NJSP license went to the mailbox and needs to be retrieved before the first event.

**Treasurer**

Ron Gemeinhardt distributed the year-to-date income and expense report. We will inform the DelVal Chapter of their share of the Instructor Seminar costs. As noted above, the Thunderbolt ITS/Driver School will be about a \$1,500 loss. The tax return is due 5/15. Neil Gambony reported that James Pollaci will be taking over from Matt Baratz as Business Manager. We need to upgrade our Square account to allow multiple users with different authorizations at \$5 per user/month. The Treasurer will be the primary owner and the Business Manager will be the primary user. Ron reported that insurance premiums do not need to be pre-paid and will be automatically deducted from our dues from national. Ron noted that national

states a \$50 assessment for coverage requested less than 30 days prior to the event. It is assumed that this applies only to premium events. Paul will take care of requesting coverage for our 4/27 event.

### **Newsletter**

The next newsletter deadline is 5/15 and pictures are needed.

### **Social Events**

Neil thanked Vic Lucariello, Jr. for his work on the Spring Social. There were about 40 attendees. There was a discussion on confining ourselves to morning Cars & Coffee type social events.

### **Members-at-Large**

Mark Hulbrock reported that the welcome area at the Thunderbolt ITS/Driver School worked well. The music gave a relaxed feel and the snacks and drinks were a big hit. Mark would like a sign for future events. Mark will continue to post to Facebook twice per week. Google Analytics has been installed to track web site traffic.

### **Old Business**

Ross Karlin would like to schedule a tour of the Westlake School for a Wednesday mid-day before the school year ends. We tentatively agreed on 6/5, to be confirmed via e-mail.

### **New Business**

The next board meeting was set for Wednesday 6/5 at 7:30 PM at Alfonso's. Ross motioned to adjourn at 8:47 PM and Paul seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,  
Dave Allaway, Secretary