

## **New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting November 20, 2019**

Board members present: Neil Gambony, Dave Allaway, Ross Karlin, Jeff White, Bob Isbitski, Ron Gemeinhardt, Colin Vozech, Jerry Faber, Mark Hulbrock. Board members absent: Jamie Kavalieros, Paul Ngai. Others present: Jeff Caldwell, Bill Van Ocker, Brian Morgan, Mirril McMullen, Elihu Savad, Warren Brown, Stan Meyer, Richard Altman, Marc Goeller, Allison Mack.

### **President**

Neil Gambony called the meeting to order at 7:42 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Jeff White motioned to approve the October minutes as distributed and Ross Karlin seconded (approved unanimously). Neil reported on the chapter conference on November 2-3 in Dallas: Ryan Staub and Andy Lally did a pitch on Track Rabbit, an alternative to MotorsportReg. As of 1/1/20 there will be no newsletter requirement. The chapter portion of membership dues will be reduced from \$13.30 to \$8.00. This will be a reduction of approximately \$12,800 per year for the NJ Chapter. Our newsletter printing costs are approximately \$4,500 per issue. The Roundel will be reduced to 10 issues per year. A sample edition of BimmerLife (two print issues per year) was passed around by Jeff Caldwell. BimmerLife will contain five feature articles and two pages per chapter. Jerry Faber will handle the NJ Chapter submissions to BimmerLife. Unlike the Roundel, BimmerLife will contain advertising from BMW NA. There will be a national dues increase effective 2/1/20. After a discussion of the financial ramifications, Bob Isbitski motioned to discontinue the printed NJ Chapter Bulletin after the upcoming issue and Mark Hulbrock seconded (approved unanimously). Jeff also reported that there will be a revised BMW CCA Operations Manual in early January. Neil reported that Allison Mack has been appointed Business Manager for the remainder of 2019. Richard Altman has been appointed Director of Social Events for the remainder of 2019.

### **Vice President**

Paul Ngai reported, via e-mail, that the Pinewood Derby and elections will be 12/3. It was noted that the Pinewood Derby will determine the final 2019 Champ Series winner. The January meeting will be at Shade Tree Garage on the 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Driving Events**

Jeff White reported that the Whack-Your-Turkey Rally will be this Sunday with proceeds going to benefit NORWESCAP. We have 20 cars registered so far. The 2020 contracts have been signed with New Jersey Motorsports Park (NJMP). We are awaiting 2020 contracts from Summit Point Raceway (SPR). The SPR events will be July 17-18 Geoff Atkinson Memorial (main track) and October 3-4 (Shenandoah).

### **Autocross**

Elihu Savad reported that we have seven dates from TD Bank Ballpark: 4/20, 5/24, 6/7, 6/28, 7/26, 8/30, 10/11. The NJ Expo Center can only provide dates on relatively short notice, provided that they have no event booked for that date. Current insurance policy information is needed for our NJ State Police license renewal.

### **Secretary**

Dave Allaway reported that the following nominations have been received for 2020 NJ Chapter board positions. President: Neil Gambony, Vice President: Paul Ngai, Treasurer: Ron Gemeinhardt, Secretary: Dave Allaway, Director of Driving Events: Jeff White, Director of Social Events: Richard Altman, Members-at-Large (2 positions): Bob Isbitski and Mark Hulbrock.

**Treasurer**

Ron Gemeinhardt distributed the year-to-date income and expense reports. All driving event expenses are in. There was a significant profit on autocross program this year. We are missing revenue from three sponsors, and we need to check on contracts to ensure that we have no missed payments. Discussion on the Westlake donation was deferred. Ron noted the IRS 1099 filing requirement for any payments exceeding \$600 to non-incorporated recipients.

**Newsletter**

Jerry Faber reported that he has 100% of the content needed for the next NJ Chapter Bulletin. Brian Morgan offered to write the NJ Chapter 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary history for BimmerLife.

**Web Manager**

Colin Vozech displayed the preliminary design for the new chapter website, which had also been e-mailed to board members. Every page has sponsor logos. The latest 8 to 10 forum posts will remain on the home page. A section will be added for recent articles. Colin requested that you contact him with any comments or suggestions, or if you need a link to the prototype.

**Members-at-Large**

Mark Hulbrock reported that he has been sending out member e-mails every month. He needs suggestions for off-season content. Neil noted that any e-mail to non-members requires a one-click unsubscribe capability.

**New Business**

The next board meeting was set for Wednesday 1/8 at 7:30 PM at Alfonso's. Ross motioned to adjourn at 9:48 PM and Jeff White seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,  
Dave Allaway, Secretary