



Sports Car Club of New Hampshire

Minutes of the Meeting - June 6, 2018
Windmill Restaurant, Concord NH

Call to Order: SCCNH Vice-President, Rob Saporito called the fifth business meeting of 2018 to order at 7:00 P.M.

Members attending: (President) Paul Giblyn, (Vice-President) Rob Saporito, (Treasurer) Drew Young, (Executive Secretary) Calvin Demerath, (Corr. Secretary) Charlie Parsons, (Past President) Howard Roundy, Gary Brundrett, Vanessa Vittum, Rob Widdick, Brittni Widdick, Nick Wilson, Rick Staley, George Young

Secretary's Report: Minutes were distributed from the SCCNH meeting on May 2nd, 2018. Motion was made to accept as submitted (Rob W./Charlie)

Treasurer's Report: Drew states that we are in good standing in all accounts. Events through May have been paid, and we have't gotten bills for anything past June. Insurance is paid for all upcoming autocross events. Insurance for the rallies and hillclimb, as well as event and state fees are still outstanding. There was an issue with reported autocross earnings which didn't include ambulance fees. This was updated. (Charlie/Nick)

Membership Report: Dan was not at this meeting but according to MSR we are at 146 members. (Gary/Nick)

Programs

Autocross Report: We had one school and two normal events since the last meeting. The school had 23 attendees with 11 instructors, it had a very good turnout. Autocross 2 had 55 attend with 9 runs in the wet. Autocross 3 had 52 attend with 10 runs each. Overall all events went well. One more event is planned this month and we already have an event chair for Saturday at Canaan. Attendance does seem down from previous years, including with the novice crowd, but it is not yet becoming an issue.

The first survey results are in. Takeaways include complaints about timing issues and people interested in more variety in location. There was discussion around additional places we may be able to check out, including the NH Ball Bearings lot.

Brittni handed out initial information around enhancements we may want to make to our autocross technology. The plan would not be to do it all at once but to determine what can be done in budget and plan for the rest with an end state in mind. There was discussion around wireless timing, software updates, Wi-Fi upgrades, and laptop upgrades. Comments were made that the Live Timing is something that currently works well and should be kept in any future setup. A formal proposal will be worked on for these enhancements.

Hillclimb Report: Venessa reports there were 33 entrants, which is good for the first event of the season. An expense report will be done for the next meeting. This event included a test of the wireless communication equipment which went very well. All points on the hill had coverage from the start station with the radios at their lowest power settings. There is a plan to buy 5 additional radios and try it at Okemo. The goal is to have enough for all checkpoints in the fall. The biggest issue so far is the lack of full-duplex talk, but a second setup/frequency for emergency traffic may answer this issue. The club will need a license to operate the proposed radio band. Drew also mentioned that he felt the event went smooth and the 'old timers' were happy not having to run the whole event.

Old Business

Scavenger Hunt Rally: Fliers were passed out for the July 15th rally, please spread the word! The entry fee covers a car load of people but only the driver and co-driver are eligible for points. 100% of the money goes to the Kevin Young Scholarship Fund. Registration is the day of and additional details are available at sccnh.org or on our Facebook.

New Business

Gold Star Families Memorial: Rick is involved with the NH Gold Star Families Memorial Project. Their mission is to honor fallen military heroes, not only those who served in combat, but also those who came home and lost their battle with PTSD. Rick is looking for permission to run a fundraiser at the Canaan event to help raise funds for a memorial at the NH Veterans Cemetery. A vote was held and unanimously passed.

Merchandise: Rob would like to get additional merch. He will submit a formal proposal for this.

Autocross Card Payments: Rob brought up taking on site payment via credit card. The team looking at the tech enhancements will consider what we need for this as well. There is also potential to use it at other club events.

NEHA Hillclimb Banquet: Drew states SCCNH is in charge of the Banquet this year. The event is setup for Feb 9th 2019 at the Common Man in Clairmont, NH. This is funded from the NEHA budget.

Our next meeting is scheduled for July 11th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm. (Charlie/Drew)

Respectively Submitted
Calvin Demerath
Executive Secretary