

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SOUTH JERSEY REGION – SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.
AUGUST 2017

The August 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors for the South Jersey Region of the Sports Car Club of America, Inc. was held at the home of Sue King on Wednesday evening, August 2, 2017. The meeting was called to order by R.E., Nick DiMeo at 7:40PM.

Present were board members: Nick DiMeo, Mike LaMaina, Steve Thomas, Bill Richter, Matt Wojtkowiak. John Hainsworth, J.D. King and Sue King. **Guests were:** Josh Kuehne and Terry Hanushek.

Old Business: Nick introduced Josh Kuehne as the new PDX Chairman. Nick went on to read a letter from the South Jersey Sand Sharks 14U travel baseball team, one of the many charities and organizations the South Jersey Region supports, thanking us for our continued generous support. J.D. asked Bill Richter, Co-chairman of our Solo group, to give some insight into our agreement with Atlantic City for the use of Bader Field. Bill went on to give us an overview of what we do to support the various charities such as the baseball team and Christ Gospel AGAPE Community Life Center which is the church that Ernest D. Coursey, the Atlantic County Freeholder who is our contact for Bader Field, attends. Nick also read a letter from Butch O'Connor, who was the race chairman for the Pocono Majors, thanking us for the support our Region members supplied for that event. Along with that letter was included a \$1,000.00 check as a thank you that will go into the worker fund. Still under old business, Terry Hanushek brought up the item of the final accounting for the drivers school. Mike replied that all deposits have finally been accounted for by recapturing amounts deposited. He will have a spread sheet by the next board meeting.

Treasurers Report – Mike LaMaina reported a balance of \$9,294.72 in the operating account and \$65,620.65 in the race account. Mike then went over the Lightning Challenge expenses that are still coming in and these charges are not reflected in the race account's current balance. There followed a discussion on our monetary relationship with NJMP. Our loan with Blue Knob was also discussed with the payback being less than what is owed. It was suggested that we approach Tim Rubright allowing us to keep a portion of that loan as sponsorship which Nick has done. Nick will prepare an amendment to our loan agreement spelling out this sponsorship. Mike went over the projection for Summer Thunder. It was felt that we should put out an email to NASA members inviting them to run this event. There was a discussion on checkered flags. Sue has volunteered to pay for these special flags for the Summer Thunder event at no cost to the Region.

Solo Report - Bill Richter reported on the two-day Battle at the Bay event which had a total of 180 cars – 80 on Saturday and 100 on Sunday with entrants getting 5 runs on both days. This was our charity event. Dinner on Saturday was held in the stadium at Bader Field due to the inclement weather. There were timing issues. Bill went on to state that Peter Donohue will be in charge of corner captains and workers. Bill also stated that he will do a better job of giving instructions at driver meetings. Bill is in the process of securing the site for next year. August 19th has been set for a Street Survival course with 13 entries to date. August 20th is the next solo event.

Rally Report – No report.

Road Race Report – J.D. reported on the Majors event. The big bore group was cheated out of their race due to the weather with points being given based on their grid position. J.D. felt that we should reach out to that group by giving them some sort of credit for a race of their choice. J.D. made a motion that we give a \$50 credit toward any future South Jersey Region event to the big bore group. Second by Mike LaMaina. Motion carried. With checkered flags being donated for Summer Thunder, discussion followed on t-shirts. It was felt that we should forgo t-shirts for this event. Trophies for this event were discussed with pint glasses being the winner. There was a lengthy discussion on how best to promote the NJRRS series.

Membership Report – John Hainsworth reported that we have 458 members to date. With the upcoming election for the Board, J.D. volunteered to take action on sending out ballots to those that don't have email addresses.

Activities Report – Steve Thomas is still in the planning stage for future activities. Steve did offer to take on the merchandise sales. He will contact Jim Tornetta and get his thoughts.

Competition Report – Terry Hanushek went over the schedule for The Jerk with a possible 3 race deal. Discussion on setting up qualifying and races. It was felt that we could have a PDX on the test day with 2 groups – group 1 would be novice & intermediate and group 2 would be advanced. Maybe a 4 hour enduro for DOT tires with timed pit stops. There followed a discussion on how best to set weekend races. As to the PDX's, Josh asked Matt as to the timetable for tech. Matt replied that tech would be between 9:30 and 11:00AM. Classroom session would start at 1:00PM with first on track at 1:45PM. Mike will be the lead instructor for the PDX and he will contact instructors.

New Business – Nick asked the Board members to start thinking about the 2018 race schedule and he would like dates by the September board meeting. Bill Richter announced that he is scheduling 10 events and he will work around the race schedule. Terry Hanushek interjected that the NeDiv dates are set in September and October and firmed up at the convention in November. Some suggestions were: Super Tour? Majors? a possible Area 2 drivers school in conjunction with DC region on an alternate yearly basis; 12 Hour Enduro – Terry is sending out a survey to enduro drivers to get their thoughts; keep our dates for Lightning Challenge, Summer Thunder, and the Jerk. As to the Area 2 drivers school, discussion centered on a plan A - alternate tracks each year; cost sharing; advantages could be a better entry and plan B – 1 day school with a 1 day regional.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 10:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue King
Secretary