

**NORTHWEST REGION**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
Poodle Dog Restaurant – Fife, WA  
March 1, 2010  
**APPROVED**

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm

**Attendance:** Tom Masterson, RE; Val Korry, Jennifer Johnson, Sherri Masterson, John Forespring, Jackie Kmetz, Neil Bryant, Chuck Huffington and Louann Christensen. Excused: Tracy Manspeaker and Harley Johnson. Guest: Dick Willy

**Minutes:**

Corrections: Neil was excused last month and not in attendance.

*MOTION: To approve as presented with corrections. M/S (Kmetz/Bryant) PASSED*

**Venue Reports:**

**SOLO** – Jackie Kmetz

**RALLY** – Tracy via email, and John

I'm up to my eyeballs in Doo Wops as volunteer coordinator activity because the person who said they

**RACE:** – Chuck Huffington

**Treasurers Report:** - LouAnn Christensen attached

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BMP:**

BSCC has part of their revetment back for now with the catering “canopy” there. Their trailer is in our revetment and they have added gravel to the south side to make a solid location to park it off the pavement. They also filled in the gap (ditch) between track and revetment.

BMP is starting to repair a crack of the pavement past the “BSCC” revetment. Part of this is done and they are trying different “fillers”.

There was an article in the Kitsap Sun about the projects going on at the track with the FAA etc. This is all due to stimulus money the airport has gotten for a road from the highway up to the area they will be developing (our track area). It goes on to talk about the use of the track (mainly drags ☺) and the need for a new location.

BMP is looking to acquire new land from the port and because of that there is a lot of attention on the existing facility. We need to get our revetment cleaned up (tires, trailers, etc) and keep things orderly. The big earthmover tires need to be organized this summer when we have the forklift. BMP may bring in a container for clubs to share and will be getting rid of the BMW trailer.

The building is now sealed around the bottom and is staying dry. They used a welder’s cement. There is a leak somewhere in the roof though. The heater in the building works but you need to use a long BBQ lighter and stick it up into the igniter button doesn’t work where it connects to the burner.

**NWSCN**

Email went out today for deadlines. Articles due March 10.

**Website**

The main home page has been updated. Sponsorship links are on the right. One is for SCCAGear and if someone clicks the button and purchases merchandise we will get a credit. Other long term sponsors are also

listed as well as "Join Now" and direct log in to the SCCA data base. Adding some of these buttons will help in our points with different contests with SCCA.

There is also a floating schedule for meetings at the top that is a "layer" and has some issues with some browsers floating over the logo. . The "next event" scrolling bar picks up everything on the calendar including meetings so we will see what we can do to modify the output. We will be updating the flash part of the page to have Drift and Time Trials but we need photos. The hardest part will be getting ones that properly show the venue like we have now. Joe Goeke will update this once we get photos together. Send photos to me when you find something that works.

PRG Website I have all the information on the owner of the PRG website and when it expires (April 10). To move to Go Daddy would keep the name and cost about \$100 a year. Or just move all the info back to NWR. To move it we need to get permission to move it or wait till it expires... but that can get tricky because Network solutions will take an expired name and charge \$200 or more to reinstate it. LouAnn says she can get the website released.

### **Membership:**

From last report: 922 and includes November & December expired. Total membership as of 1/4/2010 is 904. Expired members 106 (Dec-Feb). Report Attached.

Sympathy cards have been sent to Vince Plancich family and Craig Anderson family. Thank you card sent to Larry and Karen Johnson for Corvette Show booth. Congratulations card sent to Phil Maher for carrying the Olympic Torch in Washington.

For the Membership contest with National we need to retain 80% (724) of our January 1 membership plus adding new memberships by 2%. We should have about 37 new members from the street survival program so that will help

The Birthday cards have arrived but I haven't seen the invoice but John will need to be repaid. \$343.25

### **Tire Rack Street Survival**

It went well. We had 11 students on Saturday with enough coaches and cone shaggers. Some students kept the cone chasers very busy. We did a BBQ for lunch.

Sunday we had 22 Students, mostly Miata's. The Miata club organized a potluck and Jan Gaylord helped get things set up. The day was really different doing a split class (one half was always in the classroom and the other on course). Sunday morning was 29 and Frosty (a bit of ice in places) and afternoon was mid 60's. The infield between the runway and taxi way is VERY soft and we got trucks stuck.

We do need to get a handle on a few coaches and remind others that more speed is needed (40 MPH) for breaking exercises and that excess speed (70MPH) is not an acceptable speed on lane changes or other places!

We have not paid track rental yet. Bruce Fields was presenting the BMP board a proposal to make the track rent \$500 per day for TRSS. Once that is decided then he will do invoices etc and we will pay what they decide. If we make a profit I would like to see some money go to SCCA Foundation.

At National Convention Larry Dent (SCCA Foundation Representative for TRSS) A region announced they had \$1000 to give. By the end of the weekend they had 12,000 donated from regions, individuals, and divisions. NWR didn't donate any because there weren't enough BOD members there to approve it. Regions paid from 300 to 2000 and someone agreed to match it up to 3000. It was amazing to see. According to Pego last week they still had money coming in and the final number unknown.

A parent of one of the Saturday teen students has found a company that has a public relations policy that encourages involvement in programs that help in the community. And since they pave highways the school would be a great PR event. We will proceed with this for the November class. The concept of a skid pad is to not soak the whole thing but to only put it in a small area. We could also use sand but would have to be cleaned up.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Corvette Show

Both days went well. It took 2 ½ hours to get people through the gate on Saturday! Over 1000 came in on the early entry. Saturday had great weather. Got busy about 11 on Sunday. Everyone seemed very happy with

the cars in both ours and Sovren's booth. The Booth next to us was vacant so Saturday morning we were able to spread out by moving the cars and fill in the space. We had a Yellow Cobra from Ken Olson (race car) and a maroon Devon from Sovren. It would have been nice to have a car in the Next Generation area on Sunday.

There have been LCDTV – DVD players advertised for around \$150. Do we want to purchase one so we always have one available? We need to think about this so we don't have to dig for one then find a place to give it afterwards. (A 19-24" inch size)

Next year the TV needs to be upfront and with sound on. And a car that we can put kids in. (Bring a pillow to raise the kids up for photos). It's all how we can market better.

Have we gotten a bill from Tom Kotzian to pay? John has it.

#### Charter

We have our charter but shouldn't. We still owe them our charter. LouAnn says it should have been faxed in to National. And she has requested a hard copy to get to the BOD.

#### Plans for 2010

Things the Board wants to do for the year, includes training items. Bring them to the meeting to discuss. We need to make sure we cover customer service. What things need to be cleaned up?

#### Car Shows

Dates are approaching and we need to make plans for shows such as Greenwood show, Daffodil, community festivals, etc. Let's get involved in parades and stuff to push our venues. It is that time of year. Keep in mind it takes 3 years for to see the results of things. We need to find local cars, local people, to participate in local events.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### NorPac Conference

This is currently planned as a single day event in Reno on Nov 6, 2010. We told them we won't be there because of TRSS. Most racers and soloist from NWR won't be there because of a single day and too much going on right then finishing the season. There is a PCA event that weekend too. This was not the date we had originally picked (wanted Feb 28, 2010). But a few people influenced Linda Rogaski to change to an earlier date and the weather is better for driving in November than February. So this is the date for this year. WHY do we have this? Because until we start acting like a division we will not hold a position at a national level until we can prove we can function as a Division. So the registrars took over and the plans have been made.

The day begins at 10am with a general gathering then a set of seminars, lunch, seminars, town-hall, and banquet with awards. There is a discussion going on about Divisional Race Awards and a point structure similar to what Solo uses or to do one based on number of competitors you compete against and beat. The later would be based on the top ten national classes in the division and wouldn't require any traveling outside the region. Nothing has been decided yet.

There are no flights Saturday morning that get any of the Area 13 Regions into Reno on time for the first session except Oregon (flight from Portland). Snake River could with terrible connections. The organizers have stated that if it doesn't work in 2010 in November they will look at the February dates for 2011/2012.

More discussion continued on discontentment of date selected, waste of a single day, cost and communications.

**Adjourned:** Motion made and seconded, (Forespring/Huffington) to adjourn. PASSED. 9:09 pm

Next board meeting to be April 5, 2010

Respectfully submitted:

Sherri Masterson,  
Secretary