Minutes of the Western Michigan Region – Porsche Club of America Monthly Meeting

June 4, 2002 - Meeting at Claudio and Brenda's started at 7:21PM

Members Present: Kurt Wirth, Chris and Craig Ackerman, Claudio Kaempf, Brenda Hildon, Rick Riley, Matt Skupien, Frank Schaeffer, John and Marshall Walters, Barry and Candis Collick, John and Sally Nuerenberg, Arnie and Val Axelrod, Frank Koger, and Terry Schieble.

Minutes: The May minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Approved; Carol wasn't present; Candis clarified some issues regarding the cost of printing the UBERS.

Webmaster's Report: In August PCA.org will host its own Web site for its domain. Members will not notice any changes except downloads should be a little faster. No significant increase or decrease in UBER ACES; holding at about 130.

Membership Report and Advertising Report: Given by Candis. Matt Skupien was introduced formally to the group as attending a meeting for the first time.

UBER ALLES Report: Continued the discussion on advertising and membership. Candis needs a current membership list for sending out newsletters; Frank said he can't get an electronic list. It was verified that certain board members would retain membership lists printed every six months and they would not be given out to members randomly due to confidentiality (this in response to Matt's request for a complete list for himself). Candis spoke about the fact that our UBER printing is more expensive due to printing more copies, 400, and having more photos and 12 pages. She has been mailing 6 copies to our advertisers as well. Everyone agreed with the quality and distribution of UBERS. Candis continued that a decision on advertising was crucial. She showed the meeting group a sample page of ¼ of a page printing ad for \$225 a year. Everyone agreed it was fair. Rick made a motion that we accept and bring costs into effect Aug. 10 and it passed. Craig suggested that the rates be published in UBER. Candis stated that she needs articles on IROC from DougTepper, a Fall Grattan piece by Craig Paull, a follow-up article on Gilmore by Craig A.; Nuerenberg's stated they would send in an article about the Sept. picnic; reminder given regarding follow-ups to all dinner drives.

Insurance Report: Given by Kurt stated that all papers were ready for the the Traverse City event and the June Dinner Drive.

Activities Report: Given by Arnie. The next event after Traverse City will be the June Dinner Drive. Everyone is to meet at the parking lot by the Thornapple Village Inn, go for a drive and then dinner is at a "surprise" location.

IROC Report: Given by Frank reminded everyone to check the UBER ACES for an announcement on this Sunday's IROC sponsored by Motorstadt.

President's Report:

PCA Board National report showed that between \$95,000 and \$114,000 will be spent on new software for the web and on-line information will be available for membership, shopping and advertising. No one at our meeting was going to Parade in Boise this year so nothing was said about that issue. WMR IROC event on target for the lunch time/shifter cart.

Winterfest Committee headed by Arnie has picked the BOB for 2003 event. Brenda and Chris will be the co-chairs. We have paid \$500 down(in process) instead of the usual \$5000 fee required. Rooms downtown are being arranged. Much thanks goes to Arnie and Frank S. for helping negotiate the reduced fee.

Old Business:

May 18 Alan Christian Open House-Frank and others discussed the great turn-out of Porsches; no one seemed to know who won the most cars award. May 25 Gilmore Museum-Craig related that 20 Porsche people came. Candis stated that the raffle ticket prizes were great; Donovan Kindle received a year's membership to Gilmore.

New Business:

June 8, 9 Spring Up-Craig reminded people to send Joyce and Denny the dinner money

June 9 Motorstadt IROC at Spartan Speedway-announced earlier June 19 Grand Rapids June Dinner Drive-discussed earlier

Open Forum:

Craig said tech questions sent to the webmaster should go to Claudio and other appropriate people.

Matt was advised to go to one of our officers or club members with specific questions on Parade, customizing cars, etc.

Candis announced that if you were going to the Formula One at Indy you could mention PCA and be given free parking space at the car corral for Porsches.

Frank stated that the National elections in November slate was out now. John and Sally requested input on the Sept. Family Picnic and Terry suggested strongly that a minimum dollar commitment be set to pre-register and this would insure attendance. Approval was given by the group present for our club to supply the meat at the picnic and those attending would only bring a dish to pass.

There was a discussion concerning 16 year olds participation in our IROC. A vote was taken and passed. Our vote stated that a 16 year old had to be accompanied by an adult, drive with an instructor at all times and must meet approval of the IROC committee during the duration of the event. We discussed a voluntary 50/50 raffle at each event sponsored by the chairperson of the event. It would be for the charity of their choice. A motion was approved to create a club charity kitty with funds accumulating throughout the year and distribution determined at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23PM Respectfully submitted by Sally Nuerenberg