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

October 1, 2002 - Meeting at the University Roadhouse in Kalamazoo started at 7:21PM.

Members Present: Dorilee Schieble, Val and Arnie Axelrod, Barry and Candis Collick, Kurt Wirth, Rick Riley, Lee and Greg Koning, Larry Baum, John Wright, Claudio Kaempf, Brenda Hildon, Chris and Craig Ackerman, Larry Ross, John Boockmeier, Frank Koger, Sally and John Nuerenberg, Annette and Renwick Brutus.

Minutes: September minutes were not submitted due to unforeseen circumstances and membership approved.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted and approved. Carol was not present. Candis made a suggestion that Carol print out a breakdown of individual expenses for large events, like Grattan. Committee for WinterFest presented such a presentation later in the meeting. Discussion of whether to preapprove big programs/events before they occur seemed to be the consensus but no formal vote was taken.

Webmaster's Report: John clarified the August meeting minutes on the website and will update the Enthusiast's points after Craig A. sends a revised list. Rick suggested for the future to have UBER ALLES on line. Frank will get the appropriate software to Candis so this will be possible. John received from Chris Hauck Nationals' information on how to post our big events, like Grattan, on the National website. John will be sending out to all UBER ACES members a request for change of address.

Membership Report/Advertising: John B. introduced new members John Wright and Larry Ross at the meeting. Membership is steady; John recruited a new member at the Grattan weekend. Two new advertiser's this year were Zoom Auto and a dealer on Division. Candis reminded members to read John B's article in the Oct. UBER on Brad 911.

UBER ALLES Report: Candis shared that as was suggested at the September meeting to save expenses on the UBER she cut the publication down 2 pages and used a cheaper print quality; the mailing list was also cut down to 350. The cost can be reduced to \$400 per mo./issue even if she goes back to the previous quality print. Much discussion followed and the choice of a new print service was not resolved. Candis recommended that we advertise at least two of our bigger events in Pano. She reminded everyone that the deadline for articles was the 10th of the month.

Insurance Report: Kurt stated that all events were under control. Color Tour was set. No damage was reported from Grattan.

Activities Report: Arnie and Chris A. presented an extensive preliminary expense report of all the various aspects of WinterFest. All areas had a breakdown of individual costs such as, printing/invitations/postage; appetizers; awards, etc. The total cost of the event was projected to be around \$1340 for club expenses; members pay for their own dinners which include tax and gratuities. Door prizes and a 50/50 raffle were also discussed. Candis and Brenda have also helped extensively with the planning. Val made a motion that \$1500(\$500 has already been paid as a room deposit) be allocated for the event and Candis seconded the motion. All agreed.

IROC Report: Frank shared that the IROC Banquet was the same night as our Color Tour and would be held at District 211 Restaurant in Kalamazoo. Our region again won the trophy for the most points.

President's Report: Frank stated that help was being sought for a partner for Craig A. to share the Enthusiast of the Year responsibilities (Bill Moses is out-of-town). Frank said he was working on setting up a Sunday Brunch option for WinterFest participants who stay overnight in GR or those from the area. It will either be Charley's Crab or Bistro Bella Vita's jazz brunch. He was also check on room rates for the Courtyard Marriott. Frank announced that the planning meeting for November would be at Sayfee's, November 5; Dinner at 6PM and Meeting at 7PM. Frank could not attend the meeting at Nationals but the meeting minutes will be mailed to our officers shortly.

Old Business: The Porsche Picnic on 9/14 was a success as reported by John and Sally Nuerenberg; future family events will be planned in November; several families made suggestions.

The Grattan Grand Prix on 9/20-22 Kurt reported was its usual trademark of quality due to the fantastic team of well-seasoned chair people. Sixty-four cars participated with a great turnout of newcomers. Doug Tepper did an excellent job of creating a training booklet and he worked all AM in the newly created classroom. Renwick gave a big thanks to Larry Baum for the financial support for the classroom and the entire event. Larry noted later that his plans for next year include an extension of the classroom and to make it a more family event by bringing dinner out to the track. Renwick was responsible for securing the digital photography unit that covered each individual's car and making it possible for participants to receive a CD of their performance.

New Business: Renwick reported that the Color Tour would be a fabulous 45 minute drive along winding country roads ending in dinner at Sam's Joint in Alaska.

The November Planning Meeting in November was previously discussed.

Open Forum: Candis discussed the Indy Dinner Drive that she, Barry, Claudio and Brenda attended the last weekend of September. Plans will be made to put this particular event on our calendar for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01PM Respectfully submitted by Sally Nuerenberg