

FCSCC Meeting Minutes

6/2/09

Meeting called to order: 7:09 pm

In Attendance:

Erica Bonomi	Keith Scala
Dennis Polio Sr.	Mike Raver
Liam Dwyer	Mike Montalbano
Jim Jaffe	Dave Williamson
John Williamson	TJ Crenwick
Justin Lau	

I. Treasurer's Report

Expenses since 5/2009:

- \$ 3262.36
- Donations to Special Olympics from 4/26/09, 5/10/2009, and 5/31/2009: \$xxxxx

Pending expenses:

- \$ 2675.00 (includes Special Olympics)

Income in 5/2009 (includes fun runs, memberships):

- April 26: \$4345.00
- May 10: \$2410.00
- May 31: \$3844.00

Treasurer's Report: Read and accepted.

Note: Please keep membership, fun runs, and registration money separate at the next event.

Membership Report

Memberships added: 8 on 5/31/09, 92 new members for 2009.

II. Teen Driving – T.E.A.C.H. School

Bristol school confirmed as cancelled.

Jim Jaffe, Jim Velgot put together a packet regarding a new school sponsored by FCSCC.

Concept of T.E.A.C.H: Teen Education for Advanced Car Handling

- 30 students maximum for this iteration – open to all teens in the area, not any one town/city
- Pre-pay – no cancellation, fees low
- Saturday event to be followed by a Sunday autocross
- Course to cover:
 - Technical/safety (tire pressure, battery, seatbelts, etc.)
 - Driving distractions (cell phone, radio, passengers)
 - Driving dynamics (handling basics, drive type, acceleration, deceleration)
 - Traction/vehicle response (wet/dry/skidpad)

Safety is top priority

- Cars need to be safe and ready for the event – prior to accepting applications and signing up, tech safety
- Insurance needed – certificate, requirements – check with the

III. Debrief from May 2009 Events

- Four stations, but 1 person per station is okay – depends on course and experience, worker chief also needs to ensure coverage
- Timing issue potentially due to networked computers
 - Dave Williamson to research patch or fix for issue
 - May need to only have 2 computers during registration, then remove 2nd networked computer during timed runs
 - Print results between runs
- Flagger/gate instructions – needs method to attach instructions (page protectors, zip ties)
 - Flagger to change the Run # plaque at the gate/timing display before he/she starts the next pass
- Supplies needed:
 - AA, batteries
 - 9v battery
 - Post-it notes
 - Instruction page protectors
 - Dry erase board/markers/eraser
- NER SCCA – sound equipment for all programs has been updated, and they are hoping to have all regional programs consistent
 - There haven't been too many sound issues to date
- PA system equipment back on the top of the van – just 1 system for the surrounding area to ensure workers, runs, information gets out to the participants
 - What is required to prepare for this setup?
 - New amplifiers may be required, and/or self-powered speakers
 - Wiring supplies
 - Assistance in setup and design
- Blue tape on the windshields requesting instructor – Grid person should be paying attention to this
- Secretary to add to safety briefing script:
 - Blue tape
 - Each entry fee donates \$10 to Special Olympics
- Gate has been much better – reminding people about gate responsibilities
 - Add line on waiver for “crew” – individual people are there to see
- Radio station info on side of van gone
- Tech sign, tech issues – use dry erase board at registration
 - Tech team needs to go down the tech line and remind people about #, class, loose items

IV. June 28, 2009 Event

Event chair: Liam Dwyer

- Course design also by Liam Dwyer/Tom Bracci

V. Misc. / New Business

- Course setup assistance needed for future events – early arrival required – please e-mail the Secretary at grammarninja@hotmail.com if you are interested.
- If people are interested in course design, please also email the Secretary (grammarninja@hotmail.com).
- Business cards with info for gate (spectator info, conversational info):
 - Secretary to design cards and update FCSCC logo for this
 - Mike Montalbano to assist with card publication
- Suggestion to get some expense pre-paid visas to allow for immediate expense and security for expenses
- Radio station interviews – John Williamson to follow up with local radio station
- AXWare software renewal is coming up
- 2 new members joined at this meeting
 - Updated member list to be sent to officers
- Members' only test and tune dates may be scheduled – September may be possible

VI. Lots

- New owners of the lot have been contacted and are potentially willing to work with the club.
- Potential lots being assisted by positive image reinforced by community service and contributions.
- Additional lot discussion redacted.

Meeting adjourned: 8:53 pm