Vintage Racing Club of BC

Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2021

Called to order; 1951 HRS

Virtual Meeting via ZOOM



Executive present;

- President, Mike Zbarsky
- Vice President, Mike Bailey
- Treasurer, Gayle Baird
- Secretary, Peter Valkenburg
- Director at Large, Alan Donaldson

Regrets; Hugh Archer

Out of town members, Mike Hawthorne, Steve and Nick Gunner,

Roger Flescher (guest)

Executive & Members present: 27

Prior Minutes

Minutes of November 17, 2020 meeting presented (also posted on web site).

Motion to approve; Tom Johnston, seconded by Gayle Baird, carried

President's Report

Mike thanked everyone for the votes of confidence and commented that he would rely on the collective experience to move forward.

Vice President's Report

Mike Bailey noted he would be there to assist the President and would be looking to delegate tasks as required. He also will remain as Membership chair.

Treasurer's Report

Written report submitted, details noted in January 19, 2021 AGM report As of today, we have \$30,821.30 in the bank.

Membership Report

Mike Bailey submitted that we have 70 members YTD comprised of;

- Life members 8
- Regular members 33
- Family members 20
- Gold 4
- Bronze -4
- Honorary 1

Membership for 2021 is \$70.00 (\$80.00 for Family) to be submitted via MotorsportReg.com or mailed with full application form attached. Information is on the VRCBC web site.

Competition Director's Report

See new business.

CACC Vintage Discipline

John Elliott reported that there still is an issue with CACC affiliating with the new ASN. He will be following up and reporting.

The second item noted was the questions regarding the value of holding Vintage and/or Race licences. He confirmed the main value is collecting points under either, but the question remained why the 2 options? John Elliott and Alan Donaldson will be following this up and report back.

SCCBC Update

Keith noted that 2020 was not a good year for racing but the few events that were held saw good attendance, with everyone conducted themselves safely.

COVID rules for 2021 are unknown and may impact how many crew are allowed per participant.

META Update

Mike Bailey reported that VRCBC members are invited to the January 26, META GALA, via ZOOM.

Mike Bailey will be sending out the link and code.

Gunther Ruppel updated that a PowerPoint has been created by Mike Bailey, Tedd McHenry and himself. Action packed!

Gayle noted that the GALA will also include REVS awards. Should be a fun evening.

BCHMR

Ian Wood confirmed plans still in place for an August 13-15, 2021 BCHMR event.

The above dates have been reserved with the SCCBC, Hagerty and IWE are confirmed sponsors. Patrick Stewart has been active in securing sponsorships.

Ian and Patrick are working on a unique theme, not 'marque' based. Let them know if you have and ideas. Stay tuned!!!

As we need 60 entrants to stay solvent, event and banquet scheduling is tentative.

After some discussion, the consensus of the meeting attendees was that we should just proceed on the assumption that we will be able to hold the BCHMR, and deal with any COVID-related issues as they arise. We are in a go/ no go situation.

Old Business

Survey Update: Based on the second round of survey Patrick Stewart summarized the following.

- Of the past participants and members reached out to, 31% responded. This is considered by survey experts to be an excellent return. The 3 main areas questioned where the historic race event, organization of the Club and demographics.
- Responses are very positive in that they provide lots of valuable data that can be used to set a path forward. Focus will be to summarize the results and provide the executive with a document which can be used to set goals and objectives for the future of the Club.
- The winner of the \$100.00 survey draw was Ralph Zbarsky.
- Ian Wood noted that IWE has offered a \$3,000 sponsorship for the 2021 REVS program.

New Business

 Mike Zbarsky has delegated himself and our Director at Large, Alan Donaldson and hopefully Karlo Flores to develop a Competition Committee. Research and recommendations being called for.

- Discussion on sharing membership lists not recommended due to privacy rules. We offer access to our web site for previous minutes but membership lists are not accessible.
- Further discussion on using our historical list of current and past members, previous event attendees to survey them or update them. This list is near 370 emails. Thoughts were that using Survey Monkey may be a better tool than a blast email.
- Mike Bailey tabled the need for bronze and silver memberships in addition to our current gold level. He was asked to prepare a proposal and present in the future. It would require a Bylaw change.
- Discussion on providing a form of bursary to the Women in Motorsport Committee formed by CACC. Suggested that Mike Zbarsky attend the next meeting, Gayle Baird to organize.
- Patrick Stewart tabled the need to have "a proper list of motorsport sponsors" that we can promote on our website and that members could receive discounts from. Seemed a great idea but not sure what's next.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- META VRCBC GALA Banquet January 26, 2021, via ZOOM
- VRCBC Meeting February 16, 2021 1900 HRS, via ZOOM
- CACC AGM and meeting March 14, 2021, via ZOOM

For Sale

- Check VRCBC web site for recent sale items.
- Phil Roney is looking for a new to him race car, looking for leads
- Steve Anthonsen still has his 1997 Tiburon for sale
- Roger's Mazda RX7 racer is for sale and he has 510 parts
- Stan says Janet's race gear is for sale
- Mike has Alfa rims for sale
- Paul Haym has Club windshield banners for sale
- Ian Wood has stock of 2019 BCHMR shirts for sale
- Al Reid still has a MGB and Pontiac GT race cars for sale

Good and Welfare

• Alberta based member Doug Lorraine reports that a new track is being built in Carstairs (near Red Deer) and should be ready for 2021. Track will be 3.5k long and with similar lay out as Area 27.

• The Cowichan track is seeing resistance with the plans to expand into Phase 2. Politicians at play.

Meeting Adjourned

With no further business, at 9:26 PM, Paul Haym moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Gunther Ruppel.

Next meeting

The next regular monthly meeting will be held via ZOOM on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 1900 HRS.