



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: February 13, 2015 Time: 6:00 PM Location: VFW Hall Indian Trail, NC

Board Members Present: Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice President; Chris Wood, Membership; Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary.

Staff Members Present: Bob and Marilyn Becker, Webmasters; Paul Pelkey, Database; Cindy Peoples, Newsletter; Paul Mariano, National Corvette Museum Ambassador; Travis Meredith, Historian.

MEETING DISCUSSION: *(See QCCC Website for more Detailed Event Information)*

President: Bill Cruthis

- Bill called the February Club Meeting to Order and welcomed attendees.
- Thanked QCCC Member Bob Chichester for offering and coordinating the VFW Hall for our use.
- Thanked Pat Bonino and her Social Team, and other volunteers, for organizing, decorating and hosting the Valentine celebration.
- Thanked the caterer for a great Valentine dinner.
- Minutes of the January Meeting were approved.
- QCCC Board and Staff were introduced.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- Voted In and Welcomed as New Active Members:
 - James & Joanne Foreman
 - Tom & Terri Pennoni
- Introduced Prospective Members and Guests in Attendance:
 - *Second Meeting for:*
 - Edward Atkinson
 - Jim & Peggy McNamara
 - Theodore Alford
 - *First Meeting for:*
 - Jeffrey & Wanda Moore
 - Mark Londre
 - Jerry Boger
 - *Guests:*
 - Roger Lambert (Guest of Debbie Rinehart)
 - Chris Kuhlman (Guest of Wade Griffin)
- **Meeting Attendance:** Total of 118 people attended the meeting
 - 105 Members plus 13 Prospective Members (*including those voted in*) & Guests
- **Membership:** QCCC currently has 329 members (175 families)

Vice President: Paul Mitchell

Upcoming Meeting Locations: (See Social Report for additional Details)

- **March 12, 2016 – Streetside Classics - Charlotte**
- **April 16, 2016 – Picnic at Loftin's Home and Garage-Troutman** (third Saturday)
- **May 14, 2016 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church - Huntersville**
- **June 11, 2016 – Speedway Club - Concord**
- **2016 Awards Program** – Structure of the program will remain the same as 2015.
- QCCC Cookbooks still for sale.

Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham

Upcoming Events:

- **February 6, 2016 – Car Care Day**
 - Recognized Brian Kruse for hosting, working and providing great information
 - Recognized John Jensen for his tireless efforts during the day.
 - Thanks also to Barbara Kruse for providing lunch.
- **April 9, 10, 2016 – Auto Fair at Charlotte Motor Speedway**
 - Slots available for Saturday and Sunday.
 - Sign up with Gary Cunningham.
- **April 23, 2016 - Car Care Day @ Brian Kruse's Garage**
 - Preparation for the Trip to Bowling Green for the NCM BASH
- **April 28 – May 1, 2016 – NCM BASH Bowling Green, KY – See Paul Mariano**
- **May 6 and 7, 2016 - Overnight Trip to Floyd VA (one night)**
 - Contacts: **Steve and Laura Pelchat**
 - Hotel Floyd -- Reservations need to be completed by March 6
- **May 28, 2016 - Shelton Vineyards All Corvette Car Show**
 - Always well attended by QCCC Members
 - Usually Caravan to the show to arrive at Shelton around 9 am.
 - More information will be distributed.
- **June 3, 4, 5, 2016 - Myrtle Beach Car Show (Myrtle Beach Corvette Club)**
- **July 15, 16, 2016 – QCCC Weekend at NCM - See Paul Mariano's Report below.**
- **September 17, 2016, Date set for 2016 QCCC Annual All-Chevy Car Show**
 - Gary is working on a website for the event.
- **Are you interested in Hosting a DAY TRIP / Country Ride?**
 - Please contact Gary Cunningham or Pat Bonino to host a day trip and/or event.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- Thanked QCCC Member Bob Chichester for the use of the VFW hall, for all the table/chair setup and for arranging for Dennis the DJ.
- Thanked caterer Rossini's Restaurant for the wonderful food, Dennis the DJ for the great music, and all the members who helped coordinate, decorate, and work at the social.
- Pat briefly explained how some of the club dues are used for Social Events.
- **February 27, 2016 – Rescheduled Annual Awards Banquet – Speedway Club**
 - **Last Call** – Cost: Members - \$37.50 per person, PMs/Guests: \$50 per person.
 - Great Music and dancing with the Extraordinaires Band
 - Presentation of 2015 QCCC Special Awards, Plated-Served Dinner
- **April 16, 2016 – Picnic at Loftin's Home and Garage-Troutman** (third Saturday)

- Catered BBQ with all the ‘fixins’ - Cost: TBD
- RSVP and Payment to Pat Bonino.
- Games and Corn Hole tournament.
- BRING YOUR CHAIRS.....
- **Are you interested in Hosting a DAY TRIP / Country Ride?**
 - Please contact Gary Cunningham or Pat Bonino to host a day trip and/or event.

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- YTD Budget to Actual Report is distributed monthly to membership.
- Any Questions on Financial statement should be directed to Craig Smith.
- **2016 Budget** was provided to Membership in advance of the meeting for review.
 - QCCC Board provided the detailed input and approved the proposed 2016 Budget.
 - Board made the motion, which was seconded, for member approval of the 2016 budget.
 - Members John and Linda Meadows raised some concerns with the budget, and distributed a document they had prepared recommending a NO vote on budget approval. They brought up what they believed were issues during the motion discussion, and Bill Cruthis provided counterpoints to their issues. The vote was called and the 2016 budget passed with a significant majority.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **Business Meeting Minutes** – distributed via email and available (with Board Meeting Minutes) on QCCC Website Archives.
- **February Member Birthdays** were announced and celebrated.
 - Birthday Restaurant Gift Certificate was won by **Charlie Binder**.
- **QCCC Club Jacket Orders** – See Link on QCCC Website under Club Regalia

Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross

- No Report. Keith was unable to attend the meeting.

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano

- Check out NCM website at www.corvettemuseum.org
- **NCM BASH in Bowling Green, KY - April 27-May 1, 2016**
 - **Contact: Paul Mariano.**
 - Currently 35-40 QCCC cars will journey to Bowling Green
 - Lunch, Dinner, Hotel, Reception, Party, more Lunch, Dinner, Lots of FUN
 - BASH Banquet at Convention Center, Plant Tours, and Visit to NCM Motorsports Park
 - Barbara will put a trip book together for attendees.
- **NCM Membership** - Paul continues to encourage all QCCC members to join the Museum.
 - **Membership is NOT expensive** and is **Tax Deductable**
 - **Membership** serves to promote and preserve the legend of the car we love.
 - Because QCCC is a Lifetime Club Member, new individual memberships (excluding Lifetime) are available at a discount.
 - **Valentine Membership Specials**- New Family membership 50% off or Upgrade Individual Membership. Visit www.Corvettemuseum.org and SEARCH on **VALDAY16**.
 - GM does not financially support the NCM. All income for the NCM comes from members’ dues and raffles and other events.
 - QCCC members whose memberships have lapsed please call Paul.

- **Update on Motorsports Track Noise –**
 - Paul provided a brief update. Ruling on the NCM Plan for noise abatement will take place on February 18. If not approved, NCM will revise the plan.
 - Business as usual at Motorsports Park, at least until November 2016
- **July 15, 16, 2016 - QCCC Club Weekend at NCM Bowling Green, KY**
 - Current Plan is to Leave Charlotte on July 14, 2016 and return on July 17, 2016
 - Tickets for the Weekend will be \$20 each (plus your hotel and meals)
- **NCM received the Award as #1 in the Brand Museums Contest**
- **Check the NCM and the Motorsports Park Websites** for more upcoming NCM events and general museum information.

Old Business

- President Bill presented a Corvette Fever Award to **Ben and Jamie Hinson (Z06 “Zia” Plant)**
- **Charity Chairperson Wendy Krupowicz** presented the 2016 Charity Committee recommendations for membership approval.
 - QCCC Membership approved **Pilgrims Inn (Women and Children’s Shelter)** and **Blessed Assurance (Day Care for Elderly)**
 - Amount of donations, determined by the Board, will be based on Charity balance.
 - Wendy suggested members start thinking about potential Charities for 2017 -- recommendations will be solicited from the club immediately following the 2016 Charity donation presentations.
- **Rotary Club Presentation** – By invitation, Bill will present origins of QCCC at their meeting.
- Bill asked for additional volunteers to serve as **Photographers** to take pictures at events and meetings. **Mike Mariano volunteered. (Thanks Mike!) However others are still needed!**
- **Door Prizes** were awarded by VP Paul Mitchell.
- **50/50 Charity Raffle** won by Al Kessel.

New Business

- **Roy Danaher** requested members/cars to participate in a **Car Show at an Assisted Living facility in Concord. Contact Roy for more information.**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 9, 2016 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Mimi's Cafe – Northlake

Board Members Present: Bill Cruthis, President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Keith Cross, Member-At-Large Director.

MEETING DISCUSSION: *(Additional Event Details on QCCC Website)*

President: Bill Cruthis

- Bill called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
 - Focus on finalizing the 2016 Detailed Budget
 - Discussed budget input received from a few members

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- Discussed Current **Detailed Expenses**.
 - **Prior Expense Receipts** were approved and paid.
 - **Projected Budgeted Expenses** were approved for February.
- **2016 Line-Item Budget and Charity Financials**
 - Reviewed all line items in detail and modified as appropriate.
 - 2016 Budget will be distributed to membership prior to vote at February meeting.
- **Advertising / Sponsorship Coordination** now managed by the Finance Committee
 - Carolyn will assist Craig to initially organize Advertiser/Sponsor Payments.
 - Finance Committee will manage the Advertising Process going forward.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- **February 13, 2016 Valentine Dinner at Meeting**
 - VFW Indian Trail. Approved a donation of \$50 for use of the hall.
 - Rossini's Italian Restaurant Catering the event.
 - Board and Social Committee arrive for setup at 3 pm.
- **February 27, 2016 – Rescheduled Awards Banquet**
 - Rescheduled from January 23, 2016 due to inclement weather.
 - Only a few members previously enrolled are unable to attend the new date – cost will be refunded.
 - 'Last call' Blast to be sent by Pat for any others wishing to attend.
 - Discussed future process for enrollments and payments for events.
 - Date for 2016 Awards Banquet was established for January 21, 2017.
- **April 16, 2016 – Picnic at Meeting – Loftins' Garage**
 - R.O.'s BBQ will cater the meal. Member price TBD.

- **December, 2016 – Christmas Party at Meeting**
 - Started early planning. Briefly discussed possible venues and format.
 - Discussed food options and potential costs.
- **Trips:** Overnight and Day Trips for 2016 Being Considered

Vice President: Paul Mitchell (Bill Covering)

- **Upcoming 2016 Meeting Dates / Locations planned:**
 - **February 13, 2016 – VFW Hall – Indian Trail, NC**
 - Valentine Dinner (prepaid – See Social Info)
 - **March 12, 2016 – Streetside Classics – Charlotte**
 - **April 16, 2016 – Loftins’ Garage – Troutman - Picnic (See Social Info)**
 - **May 14, 2016 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church - Huntersville**
- **Awards Program for 2016** will be unchanged.
- **Participation Awards** will be presented in 2016.

Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham (Bill Covering)

- **Future Automotive Events Being Planned**
 - **April, 2016 – Auto Fair**
 - **May, 2016 - Kannapolis Intimidators Baseball**
 - **September, 2016 QCCC Annual Car Show – Early Planning**
 - Additional Potential Automotive Events being planned.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- **Membership Information Report**
 - **Total Members – Discussed some resignations and non-payment of dues.**
 - **Final numbers will be posted after February Business Meeting.**
 - **Prospective Members (PMs) Eligible to be voted in - 3**
 - **Total number of current PMs – 31**
 - **Number of PMs confirmed (to date) for February meeting – 9.**
- Discussion on how to best communicate appropriate events to members and / or prospective members.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **Charity** – Wendy Krupowicz will present 2016 Charity recommendations for vote at February meeting.
- **Caring Cards** sent to members as appropriate.
- **February Birthdays** will be announced at the meeting.
- Recommended the Sale of remaining Vendor Gift Certificates for Charity. **Keith Cross will publish the information and coordinate the sale at the April Picnic Meeting.**

Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross

- Keith showed the Board a sample of the etched wine glasses **donated by City Chevrolet for February Banquet favors.**
- Provided an update on the **QCCC Indemnification and Insurance (adequacy) Review of Liability and D&O Insurance.**

- After discussion, **Keith will obtain additional information** is needed and will be brought to the March Board meeting for further discussion.
- **Keith will coordinate an Auction at April meeting of the prior QCCC Banner flown at the NCM.** Proceeds to be used for 2016 QCCC Banner at NCM.
- **Keith will coordinate SALE of vendor Gift Certificates for Charity at April meeting.**

Old Business:

- **Director Committees**
 - Briefly discussed the Action status of all Directors forming Committees.
- **Pictorial Directory**
 - Discussed need to have an online capability and a process owner to upload and store all Event and Member Photos.
 - **Bill will discuss with Photographers Brian and Michelle Moore**
- **Event Management and Usage of Credit Cards for Event Payments**
 - Brief discussion: Board continues to discuss processes to automate event management and payment. **Pat and Carolyn will study possible solutions further and make recommendation to the Board.**
- **Risk-Avoidance Team of Members**
 - Tabled to a future meeting.
- **Photographer(s) Needed**
 - Photographers are needed to cover all dinners, meetings and events.
 - **Bill will discuss further with Michelle and Brian Moore, and announce at the February meeting.**
- **Discussed Board Table Placement and Logistics for Next Meeting**
 - **Paul will coordinate.**

New Business:

- Discussed some potential automotive event and participation possibilities for 2016. Will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary