



## **Queen City Corvette Club**

### **Club Business Meeting Minutes**

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**Date: December 10, 2016 Time: 6:30 PM Location: Pleasant Hills Presbyterian Charlotte**

**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; Keith Cross, Member-at-Large Director.

**Staff Members Present:** Bob and Marilyn Becker, Webmasters; Mike and Karin Mariano, Gerry Leppert, Mal Speer, Photographers; Cindy and Brian Peoples, Newsletter; Wendy Krupowicz, Charity; Paul Mariano, National Corvette Museum Ambassador.

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

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#### **President: Bill Cruthis**

- Bill called the Club Meeting to Order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
- Announced business meeting would be somewhat abbreviated due to Christmas Party.
- Recognized and thanked Boyd and Susan Kurt for reserving their church for the meeting/Party.
- Minutes of the November Meeting were approved.
- QCCC Board and Staff were introduced, along with Past Presidents in attendance.

#### **Membership Director: Chris Wood**

- Voted-in and Welcomed as **New Active Members:**
  - David & Nancy Buchanan
- Introduced **Prospective Members** in Attendance:
  - **First Meeting for:**
    - Paul & Deb DePascale
  - **Second Meeting for:**
    - Lonnie Hughey & Annie Bryan
- **Meeting Attendance:** Total of **139** people attended the meeting
  - 133 Members plus 6 Prospective Members/Guests
- **Membership:** QCCC currently has **349** members (**185** families)
- **Remembered** our members who are ill and/or recovering from illness.
- As this was Chris' last meeting as Membership Director, he shared his thoughts about serving in the position and thanked the members and the Board for all their support.

#### **Vice President: Paul Mitchell**

**Upcoming 2017 Meeting Locations:** *(See Social Report for additional Details)*

- January 14 – Hopewell Presbyterian, Huntersville – Chili Feed

- February 11 – VFW Hall, Indian Trail – Valentine Dinner
- March 11 – Streetside Classics, Concord
- April – Loftin’s Garage, Troutman – Picnic
- May 13 – Church TBD for Meeting in the Round
- June – Speedway Club, Concord – Dinner Following
- July – SRI, Mooresville
- August – Hendrick Motorsports – QCCC Birthday Celebration
- September – TBD
- October – Possibly Davidson’s Farm
- November – Speedway Club – Dinner Following
- December - TBD
- Monthly Participation Award –Gwen Cunningham

**Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham**  
No Report.

**Social Director: Pat Bonino**

- Thanked Susan and Boyd Kurt for Christmas Decorations, Giveaways, Setup
- January 14, 2017 – Chili Cook-off at Hopewell Presbyterian Church Huntersville
  - Contact Pat to bring Chili for competition, and to volunteer to assist
  - Paul and Christine Schmitt coordinating the chili contest
- February 11, 2017 – Valentines Dinner at VFW, Indian Trail
  - More details and registration process will be announced
- February 25, 2017 – QCCC Annual Awards Banquet
  - The Band “Too Much Sylvia” has been contracted for the banquet.
  - Mark your calendars for the major QCCC event of the year.
- Pat announced that Anne Houck will assist her with the Social Director duties.
- Have Event Ideas for 2017? - Contact Pat
- 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 was distributed to membership including Car Show and Charity.
- Reminder:
  - Payment of Club Dues (\$100) is due by January 1, 2017.
  - Dues Checks should be made out to QCCC and mailed to Craig.
- Announced new Advertisers:
  - LKN Garage Epoxy Flooring, John Severens
  - Atlantic Pin Striping Co.
- All Questions should be directed to Craig Smith.

**Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer**

- Business Meeting Minutes – distributed via email and available (with Board Meeting Minutes) on QCCC Website *Archives*.
- Caring Cards Sent to members as appropriate.
- December Member Birthdays were announced and celebrated.
  - Birthday Restaurant Gift Card was won by **Mal Speer**.
- QCCC Official Club Jacket Orders – See Link on QCCC Website under Club Regalia

### **Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross**

- Keith expressed his appreciation to the Board and the club for their support during his tenure as the first to serve in the position of QCCC Member-at-Large Director.

### **National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano**

- Check out NCM website at [www.corvettemuseum.org](http://www.corvettemuseum.org)
- **NCM Membership** - Paul continues to encourage all QCCC members to join the Museum.
- **NCM BASH – April, 2017** – Paul has rooms saved but they are LIMITED. Sign Up ASAP.
- **Check the NCM and the Motorsports Park Websites** for more upcoming NCM events and general museum information.

### **Old Business**

- Group will travel to NCM in Bowling Green to retrieve QCCC display.

### **New Business**

- President Bill Cruthis gave a parting THANKS to all for their support during his Presidency.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

- Visit from Santa Claus (Ralph Snow) who handed out “Naughty” gifts of coal to “deserving” members.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*



## **Queen City Corvette Club**

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

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**Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2016 Time: 4:30 PM Location: New Covenant UM Church**  
**Board Members Present: Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Keith Cross, Member-At-Large Director.**  
**Guests: Brian Kruse, 2017 Automotive Director; Paul Schmitt, 2017 Membership Director**  
**Absent: Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director.**

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

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#### **President: Bill Cruthis**

- Bill called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
  - Special Welcome to newly elected 2017 Board Members, Brian Kruse (Automotive) and Paul Schmitt (Membership).
  - Bill announced planned surgery on December 8. He is optimistic he will be able to attend the Club meeting on December 10.

#### **Treasurer: Craig Smith**

- **Detailed Expenses.**
  - Reviewed Actuals to Budget and Charity Expenses YTD
  - Prior Expense Receipts were approved and paid.
  - Projected Budgeted Expenses were approved for upcoming month.
  - Final Financial Info for 2016 Car Show was approved.
  - Discussion on planned new budget items for 2017. Board decision was to discuss these items with membership during 2017 budget process.
  - Advertising / Sponsorship Financials Reviewed
  - New Advertisers
    - LKN Garage Epoxy Flooring, John Severens
    - Atlantic Pin Striping Co.

#### **Social Director: Pat Bonino**

- **December 10, 2016 – Christmas Party – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church**
  - Attendance limited to Members and Prospective Members
    - Discussion regarding Guests. Board approved single members bringing one guest for this event and others where attendance is limited.
  - Attendance is projected at 150+. May need to look for larger venue in 2017.
  - Pot Luck supper, attendees bring covered dishes to complement Ham
  - Discussed format for the Christmas meeting (No door prizes or 50/50).

- Ralph Snow has agreed to play Santa again.
- Pat will develop a BLAST reminder for the event.
- Church opens at 4:45pm, Social 5:00pm, Dinner 5:30pm, Meeting 6:30pm
- **January 14, 2017 - Chili Cook-off – Hopewell Presbyterian Church**
- **February 11, 2017 - Valentines Dinner – VFW Indian Trail**
  - VFW Hall Venue booked through QCCC member Bob Chichester
  - Caterer booked (same as previous years).
- **February 25, 2017 Banquet – Speedway Club**
  - Board approved charge of \$40 per person for Banquet.
  - Band for the Banquet: *Too Much Sylvia*
  - Sign-up sheets available at December meeting.
  - Board approved QCCC Advertiser insert for the Banquet Program.
  - Keith Cross working with City Chevrolet to cover banquet favors.
  - Orders for Banquet Theme T-Shirts (\$15 each) taken at meeting. Shirts delivered at February meeting. (No cost or profit to club.)
- **Day Trips:** Members are asked to contact Pat to host.

### **Vice President: Paul Mitchell**

- **Discussed Board input for Banquet Corvette Fever Awards**
- **Upcoming 2016-17 Meeting Dates / Locations:**
  - **December 10, 2016 – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church – Charlotte**
  - **January 14, 2017 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church-Huntersville**

### **Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham**

- **Discussion Items**
  - **None**
- Automotive Events (QCCC sponsored and non-sponsored) will be communicated via email Blasts and listed on the **QCCC Website Calendar.**

### **Membership Director: Chris Wood**

- **Membership Information Report**
  - Total Members YTD 11/30/16 – 351 (186 Families)
  - Prospective Members (PMs) Eligible to be voted in – 2
  - Total number of current PMs on the list – 26
  - 6-Month Average for meeting attendance: 128 members, 13 guests = 141
- Discussed the term ‘guest’ used to invite or limit attendance at events. Board voted to include terminology such as ‘single members may bring a significant other or one guest’ in cases limiting event participation to “members only”. Final wording to be approved.
- Reminded 2017 Board of offer from PM A. J. Olivier to assist the club in many areas.

### **Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer**

- **Caring Cards** have been sent to members as appropriate.
- **December Birthdays** will be announced at the upcoming meeting and a gift certificate presented.
- **QCCC Bylaws Changes**
  - Final Version of the Proposed Bylaws (3.0) will be sent to Webmaster and posted on QCCC Website.

- Board approved expense to order restaurant Gift Cards for 1Q-2017 birthday recognition.

### **Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross**

- Discussion items
  - Turnover of **D&O Insurance Policy** information and payment to Treasurer Craig Smith.
  - Turnover of **new speaker system information** for possible purchase in 2017 to President-elect Paul Mitchell.
  - Turnover of **Sponsorship Policy** information and development will be made to Member-at-Large Elect Paul Mariano (not in attendance).
  - Keith met with City Chevrolet to discuss sponsor purchase of **Banquet favors**.
  - Keith made recommendations to the incoming 2017 Board of Directors concerning:
    - Naming a full-time Car Show Chairperson.
    - Naming a coordinator for monthly club drives and day trips.

### **Old Business:**

- **November 26, 2016 Americarna Car Show**
  - Paul Mitchell and Paul Schmitt commented on the organization and success of the show.
  - Recommended that QCCC coordinate a group to attend for 2017.
- **Retrieval of NCM QCCC Display**
  - Bill Cruthis, Brian Kruse, Chris Wood will be traveling to Bowling Green, KY to retrieve the QCCC items on display at the National Corvette Museum since August, 2016.
- **December Christmas Party Meeting Format**
  - Bill invited 7 active past QCCC presidents to be recognized and sit with the Board--5 or 6 are able to attend.
  - Santa will visit the meeting.
  - Business Meeting Agenda
    - Bill Cruthis – Welcome
    - Chris Wood – Membership Report
    - Craig Smith – Financial Report
    - Paul Mitchell – Member Participation Award
    - Pat Bonino -Social Report
    - Carolyn Zimmer – December Birthdays / Gift Card
    - Gary Cunningham and Keith Cross – No reports
    - Bill Cruthis – Passing the Gavel Ceremony
    - Bill Cruthis – Parting words and Thanks to 2016 Board
    - Will be no Door Prizes or 50/50 Raffle at this meeting.
- **QCCC Board Governance Documentation (Carolyn)**
  - Links to online documents and/or hardcopy documents will be provided.
- **Next Board Meeting Location** - January 2017 – Speedway Club, Concord
- **Event Management** – Registration and Usage of Credit Cards for Event Payments (*Tabled*)
- **Next Business Meeting:** QCCC Board Table Placement and Logistics (Paul Mitchell)
- **Tabled Discussions:**
  - Event Management (sign-up and payments)
  - Sponsorship request from Adams Car Care

## **New Business:**

- **Board Meeting Format for 2017 (Paul Mitchell)**
  - Most meetings will be held at Speedway Club.
  - Board approved early start time (4:30 PM)
- **Awards Program for 2017 (Paul Mitchell)**
  - Paul and Gary have discussed the program and will provide details at next Board meeting.
- **Vintage Awards Owner for 2017 and Beyond**
  - Bill Cruthis has offered to continue coordination of Vintage Member recognition.
- **Garage of the Month (new program) – Bill Cruthis**
  - Bill outlined a new program that would include a monthly article with picture in the Newsletter of a different QCCC garage each month.
  - Garage owners would sign up to participate.
  - Bill suggested there be a contest – Best Garage of the Year-- with prize.
  - Board approved.

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*