



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: November 9, 2019 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Charlotte Motor Speedway-Media

Board Members Present: Paul Mitchell, President; Mike Mariano, Vice-President; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Social Director and Secretary; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster/Blasts; Paul Schmitt, Membership Director; Tommy Loftin, Member-at-Large Director and Car Show Director.

Support Staff Members Present: Donna Berst, Newsletter Editor; Mal Speer, Karin Mariano, Photographers; Fred Rice, Charity Chairman; Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador; Keith Cross, Primary Sponsor Liaison; Travis Meredith, Historian; Jamey Stamey Hinson. Facebook Coordinator.

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

President: Paul Mitchell

- Paul called the Club Meeting to order and welcomed all attendees.
- Paul asked for a moment of silence in memory of member Phillip Lewis.
- Paul then asked all the veterans, by decade beginning with 1950, to come to the front for recognition and appreciation of their service this Veterans Day. Carl Bartlett presented the colors and our National Anthem was played.
- Paul recognized Peggy Wood who gave a summary of the Car Show Silent Auction proceeds and thanked all those who served on the Auction team.
- Paul introduced the Board of Directors and Staff.
- Announced that Member of the Year Award voting was being held during the meeting by secret ballot. Votes were collected in a ballot box and will be counted by Treasurer Craig Smith after the meeting. The Award winner will be announced at the March 7, 2020 Banquet.
- Thank You notes were read from our charities, Wings of Eagles and Teen Driving Solutions.
- Paul thanked Tommy Loftin and all the team leaders for a great Car Show.
- Minutes of the October Club Meeting were approved.

Membership Director: Paul Schmitt

- Welcomed attendees.
- Announced the Annual Chili Cook-off to be held on January 11, 2020. More information, including verification of the location, will be sent in a BLAST.
- Asked everyone to keep Linda Lewis and family in thoughts and prayers after the passing of Phillip -- as well as Lois Watts and family on the passing of her mother, and all those on the Care and Compassion list recovering from surgery and illness.

- Reminder: Any changes to Membership Information (address, telephone, email) should be sent directly to Database Manager Paul Pelkey, ppelkey@carolina.rr.com.
- **Paul introduced Prospective Members present.**
 - *Third Meeting and Voted into the Club:*
 - **Jeff Garris**
 - **Tom & Mitch McQueen**
 - *Second Meeting for:*
 - **Ron & Brenda Smith**
 - **John Chapman**
 - **Richard & Kathleen Taddonio**
 - **Robert Knorr & Martha Short**
 - *First Meeting for:*
 - **Jimmy & Pam Connell**
 - **Scott Preston**
 - **Peter & Amy Scordiono**
 - **Richard & Pamela Murawa**
- **Meeting Attendance: 121**
 - **100 Members**
 - **3 New Members Voted In**
 - **17 Prospective Members**
 - **1 Guest**
- **Average 12-Month Meeting Attendance: 128**
- **Membership Totals:**
 - **369 Members (includes New Members voted in)**
 - **202 Families:**
 - **21 Prospective Members - Current**
 - **48 NEW Members YTD 2019 (Up 15 Members from last year – 15%)**

Treasurer: Craig Smith (Absent)

- **2019 Budget YTD actuals** were distributed to members prior to the meeting.
- No Questions - All Financial Questions should be directed to Craig Smith.

Vice President: Mike Mariano

- Mike distributed Door Prizes.
- Meeting locations are posted on the QCCC Calendar for your information.

Upcoming Club Meeting Dates / Locations:

- **December 7, 2019 – VFW – Indian Trail, NC**

Social Director: Carolyn Zimmer

- Thanked Event Leaders and Volunteers
 - October BBQ – Bill and Julia Davidson, Margo Gross, Volunteers
 - Run to the Colors – Ron and Donna Berst
 - Corvette Angels Brunch – Peggy Wood, Volunteers
 - Dinner after Meeting at Speedway – Peggy Wood, Volunteers

Upcoming 2019 Social Events

- **December 7, 2019 – QCCC Christmas Party**
 - **Event Leader: Donna Berst**
 - VFW, Indian Trail, NC
 - Menu: Chicken Marsala, Ziti with Marinara, Lasagna, Rolls, Salad, Dessert, Beverages,
 - Cost - \$10 per person, QCCC will subsidize the remainder of the cost.
 - RSVP to Peggy Wood, and Payment to Craig Smith, by December 1, 2019
- **January 11, 2020 – Annual Chili-Cook-Off**
 - **Event Leaders: Paul and Christine Schmitt**

Automotive Director: Roger Winge

- Upcoming Automotive Events (see QCCC Website for more info)
 - **November 23, 2019 – Hendrick Car Show**
 - Hendrick Motorsports
 - **November 30, 2019 – Americarna Car Show – Davidson, NC**
 - \$25 Donation for Charity. Dedicated lot for QCCC, 33 Slots.
 - Sign up Sheet at meeting or email Roger.
 - Need to FILL ALL 33 SLOTS
 - **Cars & Coffee & Cruise-ins**
 - Held every weekend at multiple venues
 - Check website for details.
- Webmaster Report
- Reminder -**DO NOT HIT REPLY** when responding to BLASTS – Respond to email listed under Contact information.
- Reminder: Changes to Directory must be sent to Paul Pelkey, QCCC Database Manager, ppelkey@carolina.rr.com.
- **Tech Tips – Presented by Clark Belvin**
 - Clark provided information on new cost of Corvette GPS upgrades and lubricant for rubber seals that squeak around windshield/window/doors.

Member-at-Large Director/Car Show Director: Tommy Loftin

- Tommy thanked all the Car Show Team Leaders, all the members who volunteered at the show.
- Tommy provided some statistics and summary of the event, including potential improvements for 2020.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador: Paul Mariano

- Paul noted the recent 1954 Corvette donated to the Museum that had previously been entombed in a brick wall. Special display planned at the NCM.
- Discussed the upcoming (April 2020) NCM BASH, and asked that folks contact him soon if they plan to attend and if they plan to attend the BASH Party during the event. Paul has limited rooms available so contact him soon.
- Paul also announced that Boyd Kurt will lead a group to the Jack Daniels distillery just prior to the BASH including lunch at Mary Bo Bo's. Contact Boyd directly if you wish to join them.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **November Birthdays** were announced and celebrated.
 - Birthday Darden Restaurant Gift Card won by **Richard Gwilt**.
- **Charity Info (Fred Rice, Chairman):**
 - Send 2020 Charity Recommendations to Chairman Fred Rice, fred.rice@alumni.ufl.edu
 - Contact Fred directly if you wish to serve on the 2020 Charity Committee

Old Business

- **Boyd Kurt** again asked members to contact him if they are interested in driving their Corvette in the Lake Wylie Christmas Parade.
- **Paul Mitchell** conducted the voting for the 2020 Board of Directors. All Nominees ran unopposed so a show of hands vote was taken. 2020 Board of Directors were unanimously approved.
- **Paul Mitchell** also reminded the membership that a prior notice was sent as required regarding a vote to change the Board and update the bylaws. Paul made a motion on behalf of the Board to add the **Corvette Show Director position as a voting member of the QCCC Board of Directors**, and subsequently modify the Bylaws. It was seconded, there was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Paul** then nominated **Tommy Loftin** to fill the newly opened position of **Corvette Show Director** and asked for any other nominees. As there were none, Paul asked the members to approve Tommy to fill the position, and the vote was again unanimous.
- **2020 QCCC Board of Directors:**
 - **President – Paul Mitchell**
 - **Vice President – Richard Gwilt**
 - **Secretary – Carolyn Zimmer**
 - **Treasurer – Craig Smith**
 - **Membership Director – Paul Schmitt**
 - **Automotive Director – Roger Winge**
 - **Social Director – Donna Berst**
 - **Member-at-Large Director – Carl Bartlett**
 - **Corvette Show Director – Tommy Loftin**
- **Michael Bullard** conducted the 50/50 Charity Raffle – won by **Patty DeRosa**.

New Business

N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Speedway Club-Concord

Board Members Present: Paul Mitchell, President; Mike Mariano, Vice President; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Social Director and Secretary; Paul Schmitt, Membership Director; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster; Tommy Loftin, Member-at-Large Director and Car Show Director.

Guests: 2020 Director Nominees: Carl Bartlett, Donna Berst, Dick Gwilt

MEETING DISCUSSION:

President: Paul Mitchell

- Paul called the Board meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
- Reviewed Current 2020 Board of Director Nominees – all running unopposed
 - President – Paul Mitchell
 - VP – Dick Gwilt
 - Secretary – Carolyn Zimmer
 - Treasurer – Craig Smith
 - Automotive Director – Roger Winge
 - Membership Director – Paul Schmitt
 - Social Director – Donna Berst
 - Member at Large – Carl Bartlett
- Reviewed Election Processes for Board (show of hands) and Member of the Year Award (Ballot)
- Reviewed Voting process for Board motion for adding Corvette Show Director as a full member of the Board, and updating the QCCC Bylaws accordingly.
- Discussed the recognition of Veterans at the November meeting.
- Discussed the December Meeting and agreed it will be short to allow time for Christmas Party.
- Reaffirmed that Mr. Hendrick's 50th Anniversary donation to QCCC will be spent on tangible items vs. subsidies for events or dinners.
- 2019 VP Awards for Banquet:
 - **Action: Paul Mitchell and VP Mike Mariano** will discuss and agree to the awards to be given, the potential nominees, and the actual award items/trophies. This will allow the awards to be secret until the Banquet. This discussion will not include the Member of the Year Award or the President's Award, both chosen separately.

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- Board discussed and approved 2019 YTD Budget Actuals.
- Reviewed potential changes to how Charity dollars are recorded on the spreadsheet.
- Craig will send updated Budget Actuals to members prior to club meeting.

Social Director: Carolyn Zimmer

- QCCC October BBQ Meeting at Davidson's Farm was well attended
- Over 30 QCCC Cars attended the Run to the Colors event.
- Corvette Angels Event and Brunch was a success and also well attended.
- **Discussed Upcoming Social Events:**
 - **November 9, 2019 – Speedway Club Dinner after Meeting**
 - **Event Leader: Peggy Wood**
 - Includes Speedway Club Salad bar with assorted toppings and dressings, Chicken Piccata, Beef Brisket, Seasonal Vegetable, Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Baked Rolls, Cookies & Brownies. Beverages other than water for purchase.
 - Cost: \$38.75 per person, tax & tip included.
 - Over 60 people registered for the dinner.
 - **December 7, 2019 – QCCC Christmas Party**
 - **Event Leaders: Donna Berst and Peggy Wood**
 - VFW Indian Trail, NC
 - Rossini's will cater Italian Buffet with Chicken Marsala, Ziti/Marinara, Lasagna, Salad, Rolls, Beverages.
 - Discussed and agreed that the price per person will be \$10, with QCCC subsidizing the remainder. Members and Prospective Members only.
 - RSVP (to Peggy) and Payment (to Craig) due by December 1, 2019
 - Detailed Blast will be sent this week.
 - Meeting time has been changed to 6:15 to accommodate dinner time.
 - Sign-up Sheet will be available at November meeting.
 - **January 11, 2019 – Chili Cookoff**
 - **Event Leaders: Paul & Chris Schmitt**
 - Location and Details will be sent in a BLAST
 - **March 7, 2010 – 2019 Awards Banquet**
 - **Event Leader: Carolyn Zimmer**
 - Speedway Club – Concord
 - Discussed favors and possible theme ideas. More info next month.

Vice President: Mike Mariano

- Paul Mitchell indicated we still do not have a meeting location for January Chili Cook-off. Discussed possible alternatives and more research will be done.

Upcoming Meeting Dates / Locations:

- **November 9, 2019 – The Speedway Club – Concord**
- **December 7, 2019 – VFW – Indian Trail**

Automotive Director-Webmaster: Roger Winge

- **Pennzoil Fall Auto Fair** – was a good location, but less than 30 cars attended.
- Update on **Americarna Live Car Show** – QCCC has a dedicated Lot for 33 QCCC Cars
 - Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 30, 2019)
 - Sign Up Sheet Available at Meeting or Contact Roger
- Recommended we purchase a Portable Battery Powered PA System to supplement our current equipment. After discussion, the Board approved the purchase.
- Also discussed the possibility of purchasing a larger QCCC tent to supplement current tents which would be used at the Corvette Show, BBQ, Picnic and other events.
 - **Action: Roger** will pursue further details and cost.
- Roger continuing to handle the inventory of club items stored in the storage facility.

- **Upcoming Automotive Events**
 - **November 23 – Christmas for Kids Car & Truck Show**
 - Hendrick Motorsports, 8 am to 4 pm
 - **November 30, 2019- Americarna Live Car Show – Davidson**
 - **Multiple Automotive Cruise-Ins – Check website calendar**

Webmaster Update:

- BLAST Submissions have been distributed.
- Reminder: All changes to QCCC member information should be sent to Paul Pelkey.
- Board discussed and agreed that due to extremely limited use by the membership, the Classifieds section of the QCCC Website will be discontinued.
 - **Action: Paul Mitchell** will inform coordinator Mo Graham of change.
 - Members Selling their Corvettes will be offered a one-time BLAST to the membership. No Blast will be sent for Corvette Parts.

Membership Director: Paul Schmitt

- **Membership Information as of Board Meeting.**
 - **Total Members – 368**
 - **Total Families – 203**
 - **Total Prospective Members – 30**
 - **Total New Members YTD 2019 – 44**
 - **Average Club Meeting Attendance – 134**

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- Caring Cards were sent last month.
- Sent recommendations to Paul Schmitt for updates to Prospective Member Policy.
- Sent Blasts – Suggestion Process and Corvette Show Director Proposal
- Board Action Items and Tabled Topics were reviewed and discussed.
- November Meeting at Speedway Media Center (need detailed directions for membership).
- Reviewed Voting planned for November meeting.
- Discussed times for remaining 2019 meetings / socials for Meeting Notice/Calendar
 - November, Social at 3:30 PM, Meeting at 4:30 PM (Dinner start 6:30)
 - December, Social at 4 PM, Dinner at 5 PM, Meeting at 6:15 PM
 - **Action:** Carolyn will send Meeting Notice each month to Roger for Post & Distribution.
- Discussed the need for monthly Club Directories.
- November Birthdays will be announced at club meeting and gift card presented.
- **Charity Committee**
 - Discussed the need for 2020 Charity recommendations and potential additions to the Charity Committee.
 - Committee (Mike Bullard) will conduct 50/50 Raffle at November Meeting.

Member-at-Large Director/Car Show Director: Tommy Loftin

- **QCCC October Corvette Show**
 - Tommy provided a detailed summary of the results of the Car Show, including awards, statistics, program, logistics and potential improvements for 2020.
 - 2020 QCCC Corvette Show is scheduled for **Saturday, October 3, 2020.**

Old Business:

- **Next Club Business Meeting:** QCCC Board Table Placement and Logistics-VP **Mike Mariano**
- **Next Board Meeting scheduled for: Tuesday, December 3, 2019 – Speedway Club**

- ***Tabled Discussions for future Board Meeting:***
 - *Event Management Software*
 - *Board Policy Manual Status (Carolyn)*
 - *Central Archive Proposal (Roger)*
 - *Board Succession Strategy and Mentoring Process*
 - *Overall Award Process and Proposals (Carolyn, Paul)*

New Business:

N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary