



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: December 7, 2019 Time: 6:00 PM Location: VFW Post – Indian Trail, NC

Board Members Present: Paul Mitchell, President; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Social Director and Secretary; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster/Blasts; Paul Schmitt, Membership Director.

Support Staff Members Present: Donna Berst, Newsletter Editor; Mal Speer, Photographers; Fred Rice, Charity Chairman; Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador; Keith Cross, Primary Sponsor Liaison.

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

President: Paul Mitchell

- Paul called the Club Meeting to order and welcomed all attendees.
- Asked attendees to remember Pearl Harbor and those who lost their lives on that day & families.
- Paul thanked member Bob Chichester for hosting the club at the VFW Post.
- Paul thanked Mr. Rossini and his team for the wonderful Italian dinner.
- Paul recognized Donna Berst and Peggy Wood & volunteers for coordinating the great event.
- Announced that City Chevrolet will provide a service writer specifically for QCCC members for service needs. City still has C7s left for sale at discount prices.
- Announced the club has purchased more items with some of the 50th Anniversary donation from Mr. Hendrick – a 10'x20' silver and yellow logo tent for our Corvette Show and other events, a battery sound system to supplement our current system, and a hot dog machine for our chili cook-off and other events.
- Paul thanked Jamie Stamey Hinson for meeting with the Board and providing us with valuable insights into Facebook's capabilities and value to QCCC.
- Read a letter from the Hendrick Family Foundation thanking QCCC for our contribution of \$14,112.00 to the Foundation from our Corvette Show charity proceeds.
- Mentioned there are still QCCC items (blankets, etc.) for sale and free 50th Anniversary items.
- Paul also mentioned he has a picture of the QCCC Award Winners from our October Show.
- Paul introduced the Board of Directors and Staff.
- Minutes of the November Club Meeting were approved.
- THEN, we were visited by a Christmas Elf (Keith Cross), in full costume, who presented token but meaningful gifts to the QCCC Board in recognition for all their work in 2019.

Membership Director: Paul Schmitt

- Welcomed attendees.
- Discussed details of the Annual Chili Cook-off, on January 11, 2020 which he and Christine will host at the Hopewell Presbyterian Church, Huntersville. A Blast was sent and a sign-up sheet is available.
- Care and Compassion
 - Asked everyone to continue to keep member Linda Lewis and family in their thoughts and prayers after the passing of Phillip.
 - Prayers also for Charlie and Iris Binder. Iris is now residing at the Summit Care Center in Mooresville.
 - Thoughts and prayers for Ken Brown after his second hip surgery due to infection.
 - Also asked us to keep Richard Kashinsky, who had knee surgery, in our thoughts and prayers.
- 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:*
 - Robert Knorr & Martha Short
 - *Second Meeting for:*
 - Scott Preston
 - Richard & Pamela Murawa
 - *First Meeting for:*
 - Jim & Michelle Leonard
- **Meeting Attendance: 118**
 - 107 Members
 - 2 New Members Voted In
 - 7 Prospective Members
 - 2 Guests
- **Average 12-Month Meeting Attendance: 128**
- **Membership Totals:**
 - 371 Members (includes New Members voted in)
 - 203 Families:
 - 29 Prospective Members - Current
 - 50 NEW Members Total for 2019

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- 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 (Absent)

- Meeting dates and locations are posted on the QCCC Website Calendar for your information.

Upcoming Club Meeting Dates / Locations:

- January 11, 2020 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church – Huntersville
- February 8, 2020 – VFW – Indian Trail NC

Social Director: Carolyn Zimmer

- Thanked November Corvette Angels Event Leaders Bill Cruthis, Tom Pennoni and Peggy Wood for their work in collecting and delivering gifts and organizing Brunch for QCCC.
- Thanked Event Leader Peggy Wood for hosting the November dinner after Meeting at the Speedway Club.
- Thanked tonight's venue host Bob Chichester, QCCC Christmas Party Event Leaders Donna Berst and Peggy Wood, with help from Donna Kegel for centerpiece decorations, Mal Speer for taking pictures, all the volunteers who helped setup, decorate, and clean-up, Roger Winge for music, and Rossini's Italian Restaurant for tonight's wonderful Italian Dinner.
- Expressed thanks for all the support received as Social Director in 2019 --Event Leaders who stepped up to coordinate the Social Events, as well as all the Volunteers who made all the Events possible. A great year!!
- Recognized Donna Berst as the Incoming 2020 Social Director and asked everyone to give her their full support next year.
- Asked members to **SAVE THE DATE of March 7, 2020** for QCCC's major event of the year – **the Annual QCCC Awards Banquet**. More details will follow soon.

Upcoming Social Events

- **January 11, 2020 – Annual Chili-Cook-Off – Hopewell Presbyterian**
 - **Event Leaders: Paul and Christine Schmitt**
- **February 8, 2020 – Valentine's Party – VFW Post -Indian Trail**
- **March 7, 2020 -Annual Awards Banquet – Speedway Club**

Automotive Director/Webmaster: Roger Winge

- Announced QCCC participation of 32 cars in the Evernham Americarna Car Show was a huge success. QCCC won participation trophy.
- Roger then reviewed all the 2019 Automotive Events held.
- Upcoming Automotive Events (see QCCC Website for more info)
 - **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.

Member-at-Large Director/Car Show Director: Tommy Loftin (Absent)

- N/A

National Corvette Museum Ambassador: Paul Mariano

- Paul and Barbara just returned from Paul's last meeting in Bowling Green as a member of the National Corvette Museum (NCM) Board of Directors.
 - President Paul Mitchell recognized Paul and Barbara for all their efforts to encourage QCCC member participation at the NCM.
 - And recognized and thanked Paul Mariano for his work as the National Caravan Chairman in 2014, and the four years he served on the National Board, to shine the light on QCCC and assist with our club's standing at the Museum, and with other Corvette Clubs around the country.
- While in Bowling Green, Dr. Sean Preston, CEO of the NCM asked Paul to thank QCCC for inviting him to our October Car Show, and for his introduction to Mr. Hendrick.
- Paul Mariano reminded folks of the **April 23-25, 2020 BASH** Celebration event in Bowling Green, and said the rooms in his reserved block were going fast. Contact Paul soon if you need a room or to get on a waiting list.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **December Birthdays** were announced and celebrated.
 - Birthday Darden Restaurant Gift Card won by **Fred Rice**.
- **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

- No 50/50 Raffle due to Christmas Party Celebration.

New Business

N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 7 PM.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



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Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, December 3, 2019 Time: 12:00 PM Location: Speedway Club-Concord

Board Members Present: Paul Mitchell, President; Carolyn Zimmer, Social Director and Secretary; Paul Schmitt, Membership Director; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster;

Absent: Mike Mariano, Vice President; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Tommy Loftin, Member-at-Large Director and Car Show Director.

Guests: 2020 Directors-Elect: Carl Bartlett (Member-at-Large), Donna Berst (Social Director), Dick Gwilt (Vice-President); and Facebook Coordinator, Jamie Hinson (Facebook Discussion only)

MEETING DISCUSSION:

President: Paul Mitchell

- Paul called the Board meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
- Meeting was held at Noon due to a scheduling issue with the Speedway Club.
- Asked Jamie Hinson, QCCC Facebook Coordinator, to give a brief overview of the Facebook pages she manages, her role as Administrator, and content / posting of the pages. Jamie then answered a few questions and was asked to make some additions to posts regarding social activities, specifically regarding member and prospective member attendance. All agreed this was a very informative session and we thanked Jamie for her time and attendance.
- Paul discussed the potential plan to bring the capability of electronic payments to QCCC events. The Board went on to discuss the ultimate goal of a complete Electronic Event Management System over time. Morris Graham has offered to provide recommendations on the electronic pay options, and the topic will be discussed again in the January Board Meeting.
- Changes to the previously documented Suggestion Box process were then fully discussed. The Board will discuss again in January with the full new Board in attendance.
- Board reviewed the currently scheduled 2020 Board Meeting dates.
- Board briefly discussed the proposed 2020 Club Meeting locations. Incoming VP Dick Gwilt will provide a full list of proposed 2020 locations by month at the January Board meeting.
- LSAA Award proposals were discussed, and it was agreed that they will be discussed in January with the new Board and a vote taken on the recommendations. It was also agreed that the 2020 Board will review all QCCC Awards and make improvements/updates as appropriate.
 - **Action: Carolyn Zimmer** will document the current QCCC Awards and Criteria for Board discussion in January.
 - **Action: Paul Mitchell and Mike Mariano** will discuss VP Awards for the Banquet.

Treasurer: Craig Smith (Paul Mitchell Covering)

- Board discussed 2019 YTD Budget Actuals.
- Craig will send updated Budget Actuals to members prior to club meeting.

Social Director: Carolyn Zimmer

- **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 – for those pre-registered and paid.
- **January 11, 2020 – Chili Cookoff**
 - **Event Leaders: Paul & Chris Schmitt**
 - Hopewell Presbyterian Church.
 - 4 PM – Taste Testing – Social
 - 5 PM – Dinner – Hot Dogs \$1, Sides, Dessert (See BLAST for more info)
 - 6 PM – QCCC Meeting and Chili Awards
- **February 8, 2020 – Valentines Dinner**
 - **Event Leader: Donna Berst**
 - VFW – Indian Trail
- **March 7, 2020 – 2019 Awards Banquet**
 - **Event Leaders: Carolyn Zimmer / Donna Berst**
 - Speedway Club – Concord
 - Discussed food, theme, costs, etc.
 - Carolyn will present additional details in January Board meeting.

Vice President: Mike Mariano (Unable to attend)

Upcoming Meeting Dates / Locations:

- **December 7, 2019 – VFW – Indian Trail**
- **January 11, 2020 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church**
- **February 8, 2020 – VFW – Indian Trail**

Automotive Director-Webmaster: Roger Winge

- Roger continuing to 'manage' club items stored in the QCCC storage facility.
- Reviewed the QCCC participation in the annual Americarna Live Car Show
 - Great participation.
 - QCCC won club trophy again for 2019
- Board reviewed details and approved purchase of a new silver 20'x10' Club Tent with QCCC logo and name, to be used at Corvette Show, Picnic, BBQ, and other QCCC Events as needed and a portable sound system.
- **Upcoming Automotive Events**
 - **Multiple Automotive Cruise-Ins – Check website calendar**

Webmaster Update:

- Reminder: All changes to QCCC member information should be sent to Paul Pelkey.
- Members will be reminded to FORWARD (not REPLY) to Blasts as needed.

Membership Director: Paul Schmitt

- Board approved Prospective Member Guidelines / Policy with minor changes.
 - **Action: Paul** will send to Roger for posting on website.
 - **Action:** Carolyn will include process in the QCCC Board Policy Manual
 - **Action: Paul** will continue to send the Board a Monthly List of all registered Prospective Members.
 - **Action:** Discussed and agreed that all new (non-member or non-registered PM) requests to attend QCCC Social or Automotive Events will be sent to Paul for review and approval/rejection prior to registering them in an event. **Paul** will communicate directly with the requestor and provide feedback to Board.
- Board discussed need and details and approved purchase of a new hot dog machine.
- **Membership Information as of Board Meeting.**
 - **Total Members – 369**
 - **Total Families – 202**
 - **Total Prospective Members – 21**
 - **Total New Members YTD 2019 – 48 (up 15% from last year)**
 - **Average Club Meeting Attendance – 128**

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- Caring Cards were sent last month.
- Board Action Items and Tabled Topics were reviewed and discussed.
 - **Action: Carolyn** will send Meeting Notice each month to Roger for Post & Distribution.
- December Birthdays will be announced at club meeting and gift card presented.
- Discussed the process for photos to be sent to Paul Pelkey for inclusion in the directory, and other photography process requirements.
 - **Action: Carolyn** will send Paul Schmitt a list of photos currently missing.
- Discussed the need for a QCCC Photography Process Leader/Coordinator.
 - **Action: Paul Mitchell** will ask the current Photographers if they have any interest in the role prior to opening the staff role up to the Membership.
- **Charity Committee**
 - Discussed the need for 2020 Charity recommendations and potential additions to the Charity Committee.
 - **Action: Carolyn** will discuss with Chairman Fred Rice.
 - Committee (Mike Bullard) will not conduct 50/50 Raffle at December Meeting due to Christmas Party.

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

- Unable to attend. No Report this month.

Old Business:

- Next **Club Business Meeting**: QCCC Board Table Placement and Logistics-VP **Mike Mariano**

- Next **Board Meeting** scheduled for: **Tuesday, January 7, 2020** – **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 Awards, Processes and Proposals (Carolyn, Paul Mitchell)*

New Business:

N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 2:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary