



*Queen City Corvette Club*  
**Club Business Meeting Minutes**

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**Date: March 14, 2020 Time: 5:00 PM Location: Streetside Classics - Concord, NC**

***Meeting CANCELLED Due to Corona Virus Pandemic.***

Note: March 10, 2020 QCCC Board Meeting Minutes are attached.



## Queen City Corvette Club Board Meeting Minutes

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**Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Speedway Club-Concord**

**Board Members Present:** Paul Mitchell, President; Richard Gwilt, Vice-President; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Paul Schmitt, Membership Director; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster; Donna Berst, Social Director; Carl Bartlett, Member-at-Large; Tommy Loftin, Corvette Show Director and Charity Chairman.

**Absent:** Craig Smith, Treasurer

**Guest:** Member Morris Graham

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### MEETING DISCUSSION:

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#### President: Paul Mitchell

- Paul called the Board meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
- Board approved putting *Too Much Sylvia* band on calendar for our March 2021 Banquet.
- Paul discussed the City Chevrolet invitation exclusively to QCCC for a private showing of Mr. Hendrick's VIN 001 Corvette C8 on Sunday, March 15 at City Chevrolet.
  - **Action: Paul** will compose and **Roger** will send out a BLAST.
- Briefly discussed key topics to be covered by Board Members in the meeting.
- Discussed the Registration and Online Pay Systems to be used for the Spring Auto Fair and for Registration for the October 3, 2020 QCCC Car Show. Still need written process/procedures to implement more widely for the Club.
  - **Action: Roger** to coordinate development of the procedures. Carolyn will assist in documenting for the Board Policy Manual. Paul asked Morris Graham to assist as well.
- The Board discussed the important need to have backup and recovery resources for key QCCC databases, website and processes.
  - **Action: Paul** is responsible for identifying the needs and the solutions. He will request assistance from the Board members as necessary to resolve.

#### Vice President: Richard (Dick) Gwilt

- Dick proposed additional potential 2020 meeting locations, approved by the Board – Victory Lanes (July) and Billy Boat Exhaust (September), both in Mooresville.
  - **Action: Dick** will finalize the list of ALL 2020 Meeting Locations, document them by month in an email to the full QCCC Board prior to the next meeting, and work with Roger to post them on the calendar for all of 2020 and include them in the next Newsletter.
- Discussed inventory of existing QCCC equipment.
  - **Action: Dick** will include a list of all QCCC inventory in the next Newsletter and post on the QCCC Website.

- Discussed the possibility of certain QCCC Sponsors attending and presenting at a Business Meeting. Board agreed to an Introduction of the sponsor and maybe a table or handouts rather than a presentation during the meeting.
  - **Action: Dick** will work with MAL Carl Bartlett on sponsors eligible and review potential dates with the Board prior to scheduling.
- Discussed the 2020 VP Awards Program. Dick gave an overview of his plan for a point system for attendance at meetings and events, leadership, etc.
  - **Action: Dick** will document the 2020 VP Awards program and processes, send to the Board in an email prior to the April Board meeting for discussion and final approval at the April Board meeting. After approval, Dick will provide the documented program/process to the membership.
- **Upcoming Meeting Locations:**
  - **March 14, 2020 – Streetside – Concord**
  - **April 11, 2020 – Loftins Garage – Troutman**
  - **May, 9, 2020 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church - Huntersville**

### **Treasurer: Craig Smith (Absent)**

- Board reviewed the YTD 2020 Budget actuals.
  - **Action: Craig** will distribute to membership prior to the March Meeting.

### **Social Director: Donna Berst**

- Meeting held by Ron Berst (Social Trip Committee Chair) with volunteers/committee to discuss Social Trips and events. Ron will provide communication as trips are scheduled and ensure they are posted on the Calendar.
- **February 29, 2020 – Day Trip – Leap Year Southern Distilling**
  - **Event Leaders: Tommy & Brenda Loftin**
  - Huge Success
- **March 7, 2020 – 2019 Awards Banquet**
  - **Event Leaders: Carolyn Zimmer / Donna Berst**
  - Fabulous time!!! Approximately 155 paid, 147 total attendance.
  - See additional information on Awards presented under the Secretary section.
- **March 14, 2020 – Streetside Classics Meeting - Concord**
  - **Action:** Donna will work with Tracey to bring cookies
  - **Action:** Board members will each bring a case of water.
- **April 11, 2020 – Annual Picnic at Loftins Garage**
  - **Event Coordinators: Jane Burt, Tommy & Brenda Loftin**
  - Times: 2:00 Social Begins, 4:30 Catered Picnic (or bring your own), 6:00 Meeting
  - Catered dinner by Randy's BBQ – Troutman, or Bring Your Own Picnic
    - Deliver, setup, serve and clean up
    - Chopped BBQ, grilled chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, rolls, tea
    - Cost \$15 approved by the Board
    - Bottled water provided by QCCC
  - Members bring Chairs, beverage of choice, an arrival-time appetizer or a dessert
  - See BLAST for additional details.
    - **Action: Donna** will make sure details are posted or linked to the Calendar.

- **May 9, 2020 – Refreshments with ‘Cars in the Round’ Meeting**
  - **Refreshment Coordinator: Donna Berst**
  - Time: 3 pm Social, 5 pm Meeting
  - Members Bring a Chair and a Snack
  - Board will provide bottled water
    - **Action: Donna** will send a Blast and have details posted on the Calendar.
- **May 15-17, 2020 – Maggie Valley Overnighter**
  - **Event Leaders: Tom & Terri Pennoni**
  - Lodging at Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge, 2716 Soco Rd, Maggie Valley, NC 28751
  - 42 Rooms Blocked under QCCC – Call 828-926-1301 to Reserve
    - **Action: Donna** will send another BLAST and ensure all details are posted on the Calendar.
- **September 18-20, 2020 – Oktoberfest Trip Overnighter - Helen GA**
  - **Event Leader: Steve Bonino**
  - Baymont Hotel, Helen GA, 25 Rooms blocked for QCCC – if we book 15 or more rooms, price will be \$129 per night plus tax. Minimum two-night stay.
  - To reserve, call 706-878-2111, tell them you are reserving with QCCC to get special rate.
  - Contact Steve at [vettegs17@gmail.com](mailto:vettegs17@gmail.com) to register for the trip.
  - Initial Blast has been sent.
    - **Action: Donna** will work with Steve to send another Blast and Donna will send the details to Roger for posting on the Calendar.

### **Membership Director: Paul Schmitt**

- Discussed the total Car & Compassion list and Board agreed to review monthly in Detail.
  - **Action: Paul** will add this line item to the monthly Board Agenda.
- Paul questioned and the Board discussed at length the process for posting event updates on the QCCC Calendar.
  - **Action: Carolyn** will write a DRAFT process for the Board Policy Manual and review with the Board for approval. In the meantime, Directors are responsible for sending calendar information to Roger for posting as events are communicated.
- Paul discussed the need for current pictures to be posted to the Website. See further discussion under Member at Large (Carl Bartlett) section.
- **Membership Information**
  - **Total Members – 378**
  - **Total Families – 206**
  - **Total Prospective Members – 25**
  - **Total New Members YTD 2020 –7**
  - **Average Club Meeting Attendance – 129**

### **Automotive Director-Webmaster: Roger Winge**

- 2020 QCCC Corvette Show brochure completed- has received final approval from all parties.
- 2020 Corvette Show Challenge Coin completed – has final approval
- The 7’x7’ Backdrop for Banquet Photos was held up in China. Still expect delivery sometime.
- Updated the Board on the Spring Auto Fair – Registration / payment online
- March 21, 2020 - Speedway Cars & Coffee – Special Area for QCCC & C8 cars
- Still planning to hold some Car Care Days. Details will be announced when available.

- **Upcoming Automotive Events**
  - **Multiple Automotive Cruise-Ins – Check website calendar**
  - **April 4-5 Spring Auto Fair - Concord**

**Webmaster and BLAST Update:**

- Spring Auto Fair – First QCCC event with online registration/payment
- Completed Event Registration online tool for October QCCC Car Show.
  - **Action: Roger and Craig** will discuss final details required for online payments.
- Forms on Website for (BLAST, Corvette for Sale, Suggestion Program, Care & Compassion.)
- **Members – PLEASE DO NOT HIT REPLY ON A BLAST!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer**

- **Documentation of AWARDS – Presented at March 7, 2020 QCCC Awards Banquet**
  - **2019 VP Awards** (Presented by Paul Mitchell in VP Mike Mariano’s absence)
    - **Bill Mitchell Award – Deedee & Roger Winge**
      - Extensive participation in events, meetings and activities.
    - **Larry Shinoda Award – Terri & Tom Pennoni**
      - Promotion of Club brand & coordination of yearly events.
    - **Pratt-Miller Award – Craig Perry**
      - Exemplifying Racing & Performance Spirit of Corvette
    - **Zora Arkus-Duntov Award-Overall Contributions Carl Bartlett-Tracey Comfort**
      - Considerable achievements contributing to club’s advancement.
  - **President’s Award (2019) – Paul & Barbara Mariano** - (See website for Criteria)
    - Significant Positive Influence to Awareness/Reputation/Growth of QCCC
  - **Member of the Year (2019) – Carolyn Zimmer** - (see website for criteria)
    - Overall Contributions to QCCC – Nominated by & Elected by Members
- Briefly discussed lessons learned from this year’s banquet and potential changes. Membership will be urged to contact the Board with any recommendations.
- Discussed a required update to “Membership” Writeup on Page 2 of Newsletter
  - **Action: Carolyn** will send update request to Newsletter Editor Angela Brannick
- Caring Cards were sent as applicable during the month.
- Discussed QCCC Awards programs and potential or approved changes. Further Awards discussion tabled for the April Board Meeting.
- Board Action Items and Tabled Topics were reviewed and discussed.
- March Birthdays will be announced at club meeting and gift card presented.
- Board will arrive at 3:30 pm for March Meeting and bring water.
- **Action: Carolyn** will send April Meeting Notice to Roger to Post after March Meeting.

## **Member-at-Large Director: Carl Bartlett**

- Carl working to find additional Photographers for Events and Meeting.
  - **Action: Carl** will send a BLAST requesting additional member volunteers for the Photography Committee.
- Discussion regarding pictures taken and how to ensure they get on the Website.
  - **Action:** Carl working to ensure all pictures already submitted are posted in appropriate places on the QCCC Website, and he will develop a process for future pictures.

## **Corvette Show Director – Charity Chairman: Tommy Loftin**

- **SAVE THE DATE – OCTOBER 3, 2020 – 2020 9<sup>th</sup> Annual QCCC Corvette Show**
- Car Show Flyers are ready.
- Challenge coin is ready. Tommy is getting mailing envelopes & postage.
- Planning to send Car Show Information to regional and other Corvette Clubs
- Planning to send flyers and request for support from vendors.
- Next meeting with Hendrick Performance scheduled for April 27
- Concord Area Hotel (refundable) options have been confirmed for Car Show attendees:
  - Homewood Suites, 20 nights, \$129-\$149
  - Hampton Inn, 30 nights, \$118
  - Comfort Suites, 20 nights, \$105
  - Embassy Suites, 40 nights, \$153
- **Charity Committee Update**
  - QCCC Charities for 2020:
    - Wings of Eagles
    - Kids First of the Carolinas
  - Wings of Eagles
    - Scheduled to attend April QCCC Meeting (at Loftin's) for a 5-minute presentation. Four staff members attending. QCCC will cover their BBQ dinner.
    - May 2, 2020 – 9 am until Noon - Work Day at the Wings of Eagles Ranch
    - July 18, 2020 – 9 am until Noon – Work Day at Wings of Eagles Ranch
    - Representatives will attend QCCC October 3 Car Show
  - Kids First of the Carolinas
    - QCCC will hold a food drive at our June 13 meeting to benefit the Kids First Easter Drive. They will be feeding children throughout the summer as they will not be getting school subsidies through summer months. Food items needed include peanut butter, fruit cups, instant mac & cheese, granola bars, canned items, instant grits or oatmeal, and any non-perishable items. See their website at <https://www.kidsfirstofthecarolinas.org/> to donate online (please add QCCC as a sponsored donor.)
    - QCCC is invited to Kids First Christmas Event on December 18, 2020 at 6 PM. At this event, Kids First will be collecting and distributing over 7,000 toys and 800 bicycles. At our QCCC Christmas Party, we will be collecting toys and bicycles to donate. Or, you can attend and bring your items to their December 18 event.
    - Kids First is scheduled to attend the March QCCC Meeting for a short presentation.
    - Kids First representatives will attend the QCCC Car Show.

- Corvette Angels Toy Drive for 2020 – Briefly discussed QCCC participation. Tommy offered to oversee the QCCC participation and get others involved where necessary.
  - **Action: Tommy** will notify Bill Cruthis that this activity will fold under the QCCC Charity Committee for 2020 and Tommy will solicit assistance from other QCCC members as appropriate.

### **Old Business:**

- **Next Club Business Meeting:**
  - QCCC Board Tables and Logistics-**VP Richard Gwilt**
- **Next Board Meeting scheduled for: Tuesday, April 7, 2020 – Speedway Club**
- **Tabled Discussions for future Board Meeting:**
  - *Event Management Scheduling & Payment Processes*
  - *Central Archive Proposal (Roger)*
  - *Board Process Manual to the Board (Carolyn)*
  - *Board Succession Strategy and Mentoring Process*
  - *LSAA and Other Awards*

### **New Business:**

N/A

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*