



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

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**Date: September 12, 2020 Time: 5:30 PM Location: Loftins Farm & Garage-Troutman**

**Board Members Present:** Paul Mitchell, President; Richard Gwilt, Vice-President; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster/Blasts; Donna Berst, Social Director; Paul Schmitt, Membership Director; Carl Bartlett, Member-at-Large Director; Tommy Loftin, Corvette Show Director and 2020 Charity Chairman.

**Absent:** Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary

**Support Staff Members Present:** Travis Meredith, Historian; Keith Cross, Primary Sponsor Liaison.

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

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### **President: Paul Mitchell**

- The September QCCC Business Meeting was called to order by President Paul Mitchell and all attendees were welcomed.
- Paul thanked Tommy and Brenda Loftin for hosting our first meeting in 7 months (due to the pandemic) at their beautiful farm and garage site.
- Minutes of the February Club Meeting were approved.
- Members were encouraged to look at and purchase Adams Car Care products on display. These items were offered at 50% off retail price. All items were donated to QCCC by Richard and Betsy Kashinsky at no charge to the Club, so 100% of the proceeds went to the club treasury. Total sale amount was \$622.
- Paul announced that City Chevrolet has mailed a \$4000 check to QCCC as their annual car show contribution. Even with the show cancelled, City Chevrolet has stepped up to help QCCC, which (without other income from the Car Show) will greatly help QCCC meet our 2021 planned charity donations. We are very blessed to have City Chevrolet as our sponsor.
- All those celebrating September Birthdays were asked to stand. The only one standing was Sharon Meredith who had won the random drawing for the birthday gift card. It was also Sharon's actual birthday so she was serenaded with "Happy Birthday" by the Club.
- Paul announced that Nominations were OPEN for the 2021 Board of Director Positions. Nominations will CLOSE at the end of the October meeting. Board members serve one-year terms. All nominees must agree to running prior to being nominated. All current Board members except one, Paul Schmitt, Membership Director, have agreed to run again for their respective positions. However, all members are eligible to be nominated for any Board position.
- Paul announced that the Board has developed a new Service Excellence Award intended to recognize members that have delivered exemplary contributions to QCCC. More information will be announced.

- The Foothills Corvette Club President has announced that their Club will hold the planned Run to the Colors this year. QCCC will send out more information when it is available.

### **Vice President: Richard Gwilt**

- Dick continues to search for ‘large’ monthly meeting places with ability to host us during the pandemic.
- Meeting locations for 2020 will be posted on the Website as they are confirmed and Blasts will be sent as appropriate.

#### **Upcoming Club Meeting Dates / Locations:**

- **Saturday, October 10, 2020 – Location & Details will be sent in a BLAST**

### **Treasurer: Craig Smith**

- **2020 Budget Reports** were distributed to members prior to the meeting.
- All Financial Questions should be directed to Craig Smith.

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

- Individual \$10 take-out meals of Hamburgers or BBQ with chips and hushpuppies were pre-ordered and delivered from Randy’s BBQ. There were 47 pre-ordered with 6 extras ordered for walk-ins. All meals were paid for with cash and two were leftover. Craig wrote a check to Randy’s and he was reimbursed at the meeting.
- Donna announced details of upcoming Social Events and trips – see below.

#### **Upcoming Social Events**

- **Saturday, September 26, 2020 – Corona Fun Poker Run**
  - **RSVP by Thursday, September 24, 2020**
  - **Event is RAIN or SHINE**
  - All proceeds will go to our QCCC Charity Fund.
  - 2:30 PM Registration with a 3:00 PM Kickoff
  - Starting Location – Monte Carlo Garage Suites, Indian Land, SC, a QCCC Advertiser
  - Some other Advertisers will be at poker card Draw locations
  - Final stop is the VFW Post, Indian Trail, NC, with Social and Winners announced.
  - VFW bar and restrooms will be open.
  - Prizes will be given for the three (3) best poker hands!
  - A Reminder BLAST will be sent.
- **Saturday, October 24, 2020 – Day Trip to Table Rock State Park, SC**
  - **SAVE THE DATE**
  - Ron has reserved a covered Shelter in the park 10am to 5pm
  - Watch for a BLAST with additional information in early October.

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

- Welcomed attendees to the Meeting.
- Discussed those QCCC members who need Care and Compassion
- **Reminder:** Any changes to Membership Information (address, telephone, email) should be sent **directly to Database Manager Paul Pelkey, [ppelkey@carolina.rr.com](mailto:ppelkey@carolina.rr.com)**.

- **Membership - Meeting Results**
  - QCCC Members Attending – 53
  - Prospective Members Attending – 15
  - NEW Members Voted In – 2
  - Guests – 1
  - Total Attendance -69
  - Average 12 months Meeting Attendance – 108
- **Membership Stats**
  - Total Membership – 345
  - Total Families – 189
  - Total Prospective Members – 45
  - NEW Members Through January - 9
- **Introduced Prospective Members present.**
  - *Third Meeting and Voted into the Club:*
    - Rob & Kati Humphrey - Mooresville
  - *Second Meeting for:*
    - Lindsay Denault – Charlotte
    - Jim & Michelle Leonard - Troutman
  - *First Meeting for:*
    - Micah Patterson – Charlotte
    - Brian & Carol McIntyre – Denver
    - Johnny Sutton & Dora McKenna – Cornelius
    - Jim Holland – Mooresville
    - Louis & Lynne Dunn – Mooresville
    - Anthony & Luanne Levigne - Mooresville

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

- See all Automotive Activities
- **Webmaster Report – DO NOT HIT ‘REPLY’ WHEN RESPONDING TO BLASTS!!**
  - Continuing to develop a process for on-site payments for events and activities.
  - Reminder: Changes to Member Information for Blasts, Directory, etc. must be sent to **Paul Pelkey, QCCC Database Manager, [ppelkey@carolina.rr.com](mailto:ppelkey@carolina.rr.com)**. Or, Roger will coordinate changes if you send them to him.
  - Reminder -**DO NOT HIT REPLY WHEN RESPONDING TO BLASTS!!!!**
    - Respond to email listed under Contact information.

### **Corvette Show Director and Charity Chair: Tommy Loftin**

- **2020 QCCC CORVETTE SHOW**
  - **October 3, 2020 QCCC 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvette Show - CANCELLED**
  - The 2020 QCCC Car Show coins were available for members to pick up -- free to anyone that wants one. They will be available at future meetings and events.
  - Thanks to City Chevrolet for sending the \$4000 Car Show Donation

- **Charity Update – Tommy Loftin Charity Chairman**
  - **Approved 2020 Charities are: Wings of Eagles and Kids First of the Carolinas**
  - QCCC donated \$5000 to each Charity for 2020.
  - **October 3, 2020** will be a volunteer work day at **Wings of Eagles. BLAST** will be sent.
  - **November 14, 2020** will be the QCCC toy drive collection date for **Kids First of the Carolinas.**
  - **50/50** Raffle for Charity was conducted by Brenda Loftin. \$173 collected for Charity and \$173 presented to the winner.

**Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer (Absent)**

- **September Birthdays** were announced and celebrated in the Newsletter.
  - Birthday Darden Restaurant E-Gift Card won by **Sharon Meredith.**

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

- No Report this Month.

**Old Business**

- Tom and Terri Pennoni received their 2019 Club Participation Award – a very nice trophy -- as they were not in attendance at the March Banquet when other Awards were presented.

**New Business**

- Bill Cruthis presented Gold Gears Awards (50 years of owning the same Corvette) to Travis Meredith and Steve Pelchat. Vintage Awards (15 years of QCCC membership) were announced but none of the recipients were in attendance.

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.**

Input for the Minutes was received from Directors.

Prepared by and Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*



## **Queen City Corvette Club**

### **Board Meeting Minutes-September**

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**Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 Time: 6:30 PM Location: Conference Call**

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

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#### **MEETING DISCUSSION:**

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##### **President, Paul Mitchell**

- Paul welcomed attendees to the QCCC Board Meeting Conference call (due to the Covid-19 pandemic), and called the meeting to order.
- The primary intent of this board meeting was to confirm plans to hold a Club meeting on September 12, 2020 at Loftin's property in Troutman. This would be the first 'official' club meeting since the pandemic restrictions were put in place in March 2020. As the State moved to Phase 2.5 earlier in the day, the Board unanimously approved. The Board discussed and agreed to the following as pertains to the Club Meeting:
  - All activities will be held outside, rain or shine.
  - Porta-Jons will be provided.
  - Masks will be required.
  - Social will start at 3:00 PM, Meeting at 5:30 PM
  - Members need to bring their own tents, chairs, food and adult beverages.
  - Club will provide water, soft drinks and dessert.
  - 50/50 Raffle will be held.
    - **Action:** Paul M., Dick, and Donna will work to create the BLAST.
    - **Action:** Roger will send the BLAST and post info to the Website.
- Paul also announced that with the change in ownership at Adams Car Care, Richard and Betsy Kashinsky are donating available Adams products to QCCC to be sold at 50% off retail – proceeds will go to the Club.

##### **Vice-President, Dick Gwilt**

- Due to the ongoing and remaining State Covid indoor and outdoor gathering restrictions, club meeting locations are very limited for the remainder of the year and early 2021. Dick will work with the Victory Event center and VFW in Indian Trail – both of whom have indicated availability to host larger gatherings – to schedule some future meetings, will discuss options with Paul Mitchell and Donna Berst (Social) and advise the Board of those commitments. Also due to limited meeting options, the 2021 Chili Cookoff may need to be postponed to

later in the year or cancelled until 2022. Roger Winge will check into availability and costs at Crawford Farm venue in Statesville.

### **Treasurer, Craig Smith**

- Craig has distributed the latest Budget Report via email to the Board for review.

### **Secretary, Carolyn Zimmer**

- **Board Policy Manual**, Ver 3.0, was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting for review. Some changes were made and some sections need to be created.
  - **Action: Board will review the document and send any updates to Carolyn**
- **Bylaws**, as some changes are required to the Bylaws concerning financial disbursements, Carolyn asked the Board to review the entire document for any changes.
  - **Action: Board will review the Bylaws and send changes to Carolyn.**
- **QCCC Awards** were discussed and the following actions were approved by the Board.
  - Lifetime Service Achievement Award (LSAA) Nomination discussions will continue to be tabled until the Board meets in person.
  - New QCCC Service Excellence Award (SEA), approved by the Board in February, will be announced at the September 12 business meeting, followed by a BLAST communication. Any nominations received as a result will be tabled until the Board meets in person.
  - Member of the Year Award is suspended for 2020. Plan to resume in 2021.
  - President's Award for 2020, still planned.
  - VP Point Awards for 2020, under review.
  - Vintage Member recognition (Bill Cruthis coordinates) was approved for the September meeting.
    - **Action: Paul Mitchell will provide feedback to Bill Cruthis.**
  - When QCCC Awards are approved by the Board, the Board will decide when the Award will be announced and presented. (No set month or schedule).
- **Nominations for 2021 QCCC Board of Director Positions**
  - Communicate at September 12 Club Meeting
    - Names of Current Directors willing to serve again in 2021
    - Nominations accepted for all positions (with approval of nominee)
    - Nominations OPEN at the close of the September Meeting
    - Nominations CLOSE at the end of the October Meeting
    - Election at November meeting or alternate method if necessary
    - Follow up with a BLAST to all members.
- **September Birthdays** have been published in the Newsletter. No need to announce at meeting.

### **Membership Director, Paul Schmitt**

- There are approximately 40 prospective members waiting to attend a meeting.
- There are 6 prospective members eligible to be voted into the club.
  - **Action:** Paul S. will email all the prospective members with September 12 meeting information.

### **Social Director, Donna Berst**

- Donna suggested changes to the required dates for the director-submitted Newsletter articles to the monthly Newsletter (making them closer to the club meetings), due to the rapidly changing facts regarding events and meeting locations. Dick Gwilt agreed.
- Donna and Dick will discuss with Angela Bannick (Newsletter) and communicate any changes to the Board.
- **September 26, 2020** – Planning a Poker Run, Proceeds to Charity
- **October 24, 2020** – Picnic at Table Rock State Park in South Carolina

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

- Board discussed the request to post pictures to the Website in addition to Facebook.
  - **Action:** Carl will contact Karin Mariano for Smug Mug process for posting pictures to the Photos page on the website.

### **Corvette Show Director and Charity Chair, Tommy Loftin**

- **October 3, 2020 QCCC Corvette Show is Cancelled**
  - Hendrick Motorsports complex continues to be restricted by State
  - Board has chosen not to do a scaled down show
  - Sending email to Registrants – those requesting will get full refund.
  - Resume our Corvette Show in 2021
- **QCCC Charity Information**
  - **October, 2020:** Committee will recommend 2021 Charities to Board
  - **November 2020:** Present 2021 Charities to membership for approval.
- **NOTE: The next QCCC Board Meeting is currently scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, 2020 via Conference Call at 6:30 pm. Subject to change.**

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*