



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: December 4, 2021 Time: 4:00 PM Location: Speedway Club-Concord

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

Absent: Justin Cross, Membership Director

Staff Members Present: Travis Meredith, Historian; Pam Tucker, Newsletter Editor; Paul Schmitt, Care and Compassion.

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

President: Paul Mitchell

- The December 2021 QCCC Business Meeting was called to order by President Paul Mitchell and all attendees were welcomed.
- Paul introduced the QCCC Board and Staff – and welcomed Care and Compassion Coordinator Paul Schmitt back after his illness.
- Thanked the owner of Victory Lanes Event Center for use of the facility.
- Thanked Social Director Donna Berst for coordinating the Christmas Party and Italian buffet.
- Minutes from the November Business meeting were approved.

Vice President: Richard Gwilt

- Dick announced that the full-year 2022 Calendar of Events/Meetings is now posted on the Website Calendar. Additions or changes will be made over time as necessary.
- Announced that turnover of duties from current to new 2022 Directors has taken place and will continue as necessary.
- Dick provided an update on upcoming club business meeting locations. Due to continued COVID restrictions and labor shortages, it continues to be difficult to find locations which can accommodate our Club Business Meetings. BLASTS will be sent with additional details.
 - **January 8, 2022** – VFW, Indian Trail
 - **February 12, 2022** – Victory Lanes Event Center, Mooresville
 - **March 12, 2022** – Location TBD

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- **2021 Budget Reports** were distributed to members prior to the meeting.
- All Financial Questions should be directed to Craig Smith or Treasurer-Elect Morris Graham.
- Dues are Due!!! Noted that Dues Payments are now accepted online.

Social Director: Donna Berst

- Donna thanked Member-at-Large Carl Bartlett for taking pictures in front of the Mingle and Jingle Banner.
- After a brief introduction (with fancy mask, noise maker and beads) by President Paul Mitchell, Donna announced that the March 5, 2022 Banquet Theme will be Mardi Gras. More information will be sent with details.
- Donna announced that a Jingle and Mingle game will be held right after the business meeting.

Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, January 18, 2022 – Optional Dinner after Meeting**
 - Indian Trail VFW
 - Social: 3PM -- Meeting: 4PM – Optional Pre-Paid Dinner: 5:15PM
 - BLAST will be sent with details.
- **Saturday, February 12, 2022 – Valentines Celebration with Meeting**
 - Victory Lanes Event Center – Mooresville
 - More details will be sent.

Membership Director: Justin Cross

- Justin introduced Prospective Members present.
- Reminder that members and prospective members now have ability to pay dues online.
- **Reminder:** MUST SEND changes to your Membership Information (address, telephone, email) **directly to Justin Cross or Database Manager Paul Pelkey,** ppelkey@carolina.rr.com.
- **Membership Meeting Results**
 - QCCC Members Attending – 78
 - Prospective Members Attending – 12
 - NEW Members Voted-In – 2
 - Guests – 0
 - **Total Attendance - 90**
 - Average 12 Month Attendance – 93
- **Membership Stats**
 - **Total Membership – 382**
 - Total Families – 212
 - Total Prospective Members – 64
 - NEW Members YTD - 46
- **Introduced Prospective Members present.**
 - *Voted into the Club:*
 - **John & Jane Freeman - Huntersville**
 - *Second Meeting for:*

- **Gene & Shirley Pearson – Huntersville**
- **Keith & Pamela Overcash - Kannapolis**
- *First Meeting for:*
 - **Jim & Marion Granham – Mooresville**
 - **Gregory & Jessica Miller – Midland**
 - **Jon & Kris Nicholls – Mooresville**
 - **Tom Nicholls - Mooresville**

Automotive Director/Webmaster: Roger Winge

- Roger asked the members present to recognize Paul Mitchell for his 7 Years (2 as VP, 5 as President) of dedication to QCCC. The members present followed with a standing ovation for Paul who thanked everyone for their support.
- Roger talked about Cars & Coffee events and thanked those who braved the weather to attend the last one. Cars & Coffee events are held multiple Saturdays during the month and are listed on the QCCC Website Calendar. Check the Website for details.
- Next major automotive event will likely be the Spring Auto Fair in Concord at Charlotte Motor Speedway.

Webmaster Report – DO NOT HIT ‘REPLY’ when responding TO BLASTS!!

- Roger noted that Duplicate payments are being received online from some couples. While the extra payment will be refunded, the extra payment also results in credit card fees being paid by QCCC. Asked folks to be sure and just pay once.
- Roger worked with Justin Cross to develop the online membership application form for prospective members, now available on the QCCC website. First completed form just received!!!
- NOTE: ***** **IMPORTANT – CHANGES TO MEMBER PERSONAL INFORMATION (including Pictures and Car info) MUST BE SENT TO PAUL PELKEY, Database Manager, TO MAKE SURE IT IS CORRECT** for Blasts, Directory, Hardcopy Mailings, etc. **Paul Pelkey, ppelkey@carolina.rr.com**. Or, Roger will also coordinate changes if you send them to him.
- **DO NOT PRESS REPLY to Blasts!! – Use the Coordinator’s email listed in the BLAST!**
- Issues with BLASTS or Website, contact Roger.

Corvette Show Director and Charity Chair: Tommy Loftin

- Tommy will begin meetings with our sponsors and leaders for the 2022 QCCC Corvette Show starting in January.
- Mark your calendar for **OCTOBER 1, 2022** for the next QCCC Corvette Show!!!
- **December 4, 2021 – Troutman Christmas Parade**
 - Held this morning with 9 QCCC Cars participating.
- **Charity Update – Tommy/Brenda Loftin Charity Chairs**
 - **QCCC 2021-2022 Charity - Wings of Eagles**
 - More information on Charity activities will be communicated in 2022.
 - **50/50 Raffle for Charity was conducted by Jane Burt at the meeting.**
 - **Winner: Bob Becker**

Member at Large Director: Carl Bartlett

- QCCC Photos up to date on the Website.
- Members who have any event photos to be added should email to Carl.
- Need members to Volunteer to take Photos at meetings and other QCCC Events.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador (NCM) – Mike Mariano (Absent)

- **April 28-30, 2022** – BASH Event at NCM – QCCC will attend and Mike will work with the Hilton hotel in Bowling Green on special rates. More information and details will be sent via BLASTS.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **December Birthdays** were celebrated at the meeting and in the Newsletter.
 - Birthday Darden Restaurant Gift Card presented at the meeting was won by **Dr. Joe Estwanik**.

Old Business

- Dick Gwilt distributed GREAT Door Prizes at the meeting to lucky raffle winners.
- Paul Mitchell recognized the Board members rolling off the Board at the end of this meeting, along with their accomplishments and tenure on the Board in their respective positions. Paul also introduced the new Board members taking these positions in January: Dick Gwilt, President; Ron Berst, Vice President; Morris Graham, Treasurer; Kathie Finocchi, Secretary. Outgoing Board Members were presented with personalized shirts embroidered with the position held and dates served. Nice touch!
- Paul Mitchell then recapped his time on the Board and the challenges and rewards he experienced over the last 7 years (2 as VP, 5 as President), including the highs (e.g., logo update, 50th Anniversary celebrations, great trips, etc.), the emotional times (e.g., loss of wonderful friends/members), and the most challenging time (e.g., COVID). Paul sincerely thanked all the members for all their support during these years – and the members then followed with another standing ovation for Paul.

New Business

- Paul Mitchell announced that Carolyn Zimmer has been performing other duties over and above the Secretarial (and birthday) responsibilities for some years during her 9 years on the Board. Paul announced that at their recent meeting, the Board unanimously approved a new Staff Position to continue performing these activities in the future, and the Board also approved Carolyn Zimmer to take the new Staff Position. The name of the Position and more details of this position will be announced to the membership via BLAST.
- Paul wished the members and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Speedway Club-Concord

Board Members Present: Paul Mitchell, President; Richard (Dick) Gwilt, Vice-President; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Roger Winge, Automotive Director and Webmaster; Justin Cross, Membership Director; Donna Berst, Social Director; Carl Bartlett, Member-at-Large and Photography Coordinator;

Absent: Tommy Loftin, Corvette Show Director and Charity Co-Chair.

Guests: Directors-Elect: Ron Berst(VP), Kathie Finocchi(Secretary), Morris Graham(Treasurer)

MEETING DISCUSSION:

President, Paul Mitchell

- Paul welcomed attendees to the meeting and called the meeting to order.
- Paul discussed a possible meeting location with the Board and turned over the final review and decision to incoming President Dick Gwilt and incoming VP Ron Berst.
- Requested Donna discuss the proposed March 5, 2022 Banquet Theme.
- Paul introduced the discussion and made the Motion to implement a Club Staff position for the administrative/parliamentarian work performed in the past few years that is not formally part of any other Board position – name of the staff position to be determined. The Board unanimously approved the motion.
- Paul then made the motion to name Carolyn Zimmer to that new Staff position as she has been performing this work for the past few years. The Board unanimously approved the motion. Carolyn and Dick will discuss further and select a name for the Staff position.

Vice-President, Dick Gwilt

- Dick and others have completed a Master Calendar of Events for 2022 with currently known events to be held next year. Roger has posted these events to the QCCC website calendar. New events or any changes to the current list will be added/made as needed. Dick will announce this information at the Club meeting, and events will continue to be published in the Newsletter.
- Dick and incoming VP Ron Berst are continuing to reserve meeting locations for 2022 and these are being posted to the QCCC website calendar.
- Director turnover meetings were held with Dick: Treasurer position (Dick, Craig, Morris) and Secretary position (Dick, Carolyn, Kathie).
- Dick provided an update on upcoming club business meeting locations.
 - **December 4, 2021** – Victory Lanes Event Center, Mooresville
 - **January 8, 2022** – VFW, Indian Trail
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Treasurer, Craig Smith

- Reviewed the 2021 budget actuals YTD with the Board.
- Discussed some report format changes and year-end financial turnover amounts.
- All online financial transactions are working well!!
- Craig will distribute the 2021 budget info to the membership prior to the upcoming club meeting for membership review.

Social Director, Donna Berst

- At least three 2022 Overnight Trips are confirmed. Blasts will be sent as appropriate.
 - May 20-22, 2022 – Maggie Valley
 - September 16-28, 2022 – Helen, GA
 - October 21-23, 2022 – Myrtle Beach

Upcoming Social Events

- **Saturday, December 4, 2021 – Christmas Party/Meeting**
 - Victory Lanes Event Center – Mooresville
 - Theme: Jingle and Mingle
 - Pictures will be taken during Social.
 - Jingle Bell necklaces for each attendee
 - Mingle/Get to Know You game with prizes for first 10 who complete the challenge. Prizes.
 - Time: 2:30 Social – Self-Pay Bar Opens
 - 4:00 Meeting and Mingle Game
 - 5:15-5:30 Optional Prepaid Italian Buffet begins
- **Saturday, January 18, 2022 – Optional Chili Dinner after Meeting**
 - Indian Trail VFW
 - Social: 3PM -- Meeting: 4PM – Optional Pre-Paid Dinner: 5:15PM
 - VFW Auxiliary will provide a Chili and Hot Dog meal with Salad & Dessert as a fundraiser for the Post (as they did in May).
- **Saturday, February 12, 2022 – Possible Valentines Themed Social w/Meeting**
 - Victory Lanes Event Center
 - More information will be sent in a BLAST
- **March 5, 2022 – QCCC Awards (2021) Banquet**
 - Theme will be Mardi Gras – and will be announced at the December meeting.
 - More information will be provided over time.

Membership Director, Justin Cross

- Online process for new member dues proration payment and existing member yearly dues payment is working well.
- **Membership Information**
 - **Total Members – 380**
 - **Total Families – 211**
 - **Total Prospective Members – 57**
 - **Prospective Members with 2 Meetings – 6**
 - **New Members YTD - 44**

Automotive Director & Webmaster, Roger Winge

- Mike Mariano, our NCM Ambassador, will be coordinating the QCCC trip to the **NCM BASH event in April 2022**. More information will be forthcoming.
- Rental on the QCCC storage unit has been reduced. However, Roger will continue to look for lower cost alternatives.
- Cars & Coffee events are listed on the QCCC Website Calendar.
- **Webmaster/BLAST Updates:**
 - Roger has updated the 2022 QCCC Website Calendar with data provided.
 - Some members are paying online twice for events (both spouses are signing up and paying). While the extra payment will be refunded, it is costing the club the credit card fee unnecessarily. Roger will discuss the issue at the Club meeting.
 - Online Membership Application Form now available online.
 - Roger recommended a consistent date monthly for availability of the QCCC Membership Directories. The Board agreed. **Action: Roger** will communicate to Database Manager Paul Pelkey and determine the date requirements for availability from Paul and publication by Roger to members.
 - **DO NOT PRESS REPLY to Blasts!! – Use the Coordinator’s email listed in the BLAST!**

Secretary, Carolyn Zimmer

- Birthdays were published in the Newsletter.
- Birthdays will be announced at the December meeting and a gift card presented.
- Carolyn secured the two QCCC Insurance Policies electronically and provided them to President Elect Dick Gwilt as requested. Carolyn will review these policies in detail in her new Staff role, provide feedback as needed, and provide an overview during the 2022 Board Governance Communication Session when scheduled.
- Provided Secretarial position turnover to Secretary-Elect Kathie Finocchi.
- Secretarial and Other Administrative turnover documentation was previously sent to new President Dick Gwilt and new VP Ron Berst for info. Carolyn will now provide a proposed Job Description to Dick for the new Administration/Parliamentarian Staff Position approved during the Board meeting.
- ***Pending Discussions from Prior Meetings***
 - ***Succession Planning***
 - ***Critical Position Backup Plan***
 - ***Pictures on the Website for New Board Members and all Staff***

Member-at-Large Director, Carl Bartlett

- Pictures on Website have been updated.
- Carl reviewed the Advertiser and Sponsor Report
- Carl is making proposed changes to the QCCC Advertising Terms and Conditions Policy and review with the Board for approval. Once approved, the Policy will be sent to Carolyn for an update to the Board Policy Manual.
- QCCC photos are up to date on the website.

Corvette Show Director and Charity Chair, Tommy Loftin (Absent)

- **December 4, 2021** – Troutman Christmas Parade. QCCC will participate.

- **QCCC Annual Corvette Show**
 - Scheduled for October 1, 2022.
 - Next Car Show meeting in preparation for 2022 will be held in the March or April timeframe.

- **QCCC Charity Information**
 - 50/50 Charity Raffle will be conducted at the Club meeting.

NOTE: The next QCCC Board Meeting will be held on:

- **Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at the Speedway Club at 4:30 pm.**

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary