

IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA

**Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors
a.m.**

**Sunday, October 28, 2001
Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside 10:00**

Members Present: Dave Brennan, Fred Bell, Doug Wittkowski, Dana Schrader, Martha Wittkowski, and Tom Clark, via conference call. Guests: Marlene Churchill, Scott Hamilton.

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Dave.

MOTION(Bell/Schrader) to approve agenda. **MOTION CARRIED**

I. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Fred Bell reviewed the financial statements as distributed. It is anticipated that we will end the year with approximately \$400-\$800 in the bank. Fred and Dave attended the Chapter Congress and Fred reported that they advised chapters to check into collecting sales tax on merchandise that is sold to members and encouraged all clubs to use Quick Books for their financial record keeping. They also informed all chapters that they must receive their own federal tax id# as a 501C(3) and if the club has more than \$25,000 in gross receipts they must file a 990 tax return. Fred will follow up on this in November or December

MOTION(M. Wittkowski/D. Wittkowski to approve financial report as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

II. 2002 Raffle

Doug reported that we have purchased a 1973 2002 and handed out photos. We paid \$8,788 for the car and the owner sent us a donation for \$588 so the net cost on the car is \$8,200. Club member Jim DeMatties is arranging for delivery of the vehicle at his cost (approx \$300 to \$400). Discussion on the suggested raffle process, distributed by Martha, took place. Process agreed upon:

Ticket buyers would complete order form and mail to Easter Seals; money deposited immediately and name of buyer would be entered into database. Once each week (following checks clearing) buyer would receive a printed "receipt" post card and the ticket "stub" would be printed and held by Easter Seals. Orders for tickets must be received by July 1st, 2002 (on order form). There will be no limit on the number of tickets any one person can purchase; they must be 18 years of age (on order form) and pay in US funds (on order form). Winner will be responsible for taxes, license and delivery of vehicle (on order form). Drawing will be held in connection with O'Fest 2002 in Keystone, CO. We will limit the number of tickets sold to 2002. Raffle will be advertised on club web-site; each issue of *Newsworks*, *Roundel*, *Bimmer* and a mailing will be done to other chapters asking them to put an article or ad in their newsletter. Doug will talk to Ralph Briggs regarding development of advertisement for *Roundel* and *Bimmer* magazines. Order forms will be available at all club events as well. Discussion was held on offering a cash alternative. Doug informed the Board that the seller of the car really wants this car to go to an enthusiast and that he verbally agreed with the seller to offer a cash alternative. In addition, we have a person lined up who will buy the car from us for our cost plus any additional costs we incur to get the car ready for the raffle.

MOTION(Schrader/D. Wittkowski) to offer a \$7,500 cash alternative to the winner and sell the car to "Doc" should the winner select the cash alternative. **MOTION CARRIED.**

III. Annual Meeting

Marlene and Scott reported that they have met with the Four Points Sheraton and believe that the room will work extremely well. It has a permanent bar in the back of the room and the buffet will be set up in a separate side room.

They will hold a small block of rooms (we decided on 20) at a special room rate of \$59 and the rooms would be available until January 10, 2002. Final menu has not been selected but Marlene and Scott indicated that the total cost would be less than \$30.00. It was decided to set the price at \$35 per person. Cut-off for RSVP's will be January 19, 2002. Raffle door prize tickets will be given only to members and associate members. Each member and

associate member will receive five tickets. If they RSVP by January 2, 2002 they will receive an additional 5 tickets. Will keep the bar open until midnight. Will show the movie "The Hire" during the social hour; Dana has it on DVD and Martha will bring her lap top and projector. Dave Brennan will work on putting together a slide show on CD to show during dinner. Will need to have volunteers for the evening to help with registration and to set up and work a membership sign up table. Martha has followed up with Tom Salkowsky regarding Boris Said and Tom was going to follow up with Boris again. Doug and Dave working on securing raffle/door prizes. Will also have the member participation prize drawing at the Annual Meeting. It was agreed that the requested dress for the annual meeting would be semi-formal (suits for the men and cocktail dresses for the women).

IV. Events

Dana reported that it has been difficult to work with the people at Sprockets and that it really is a better deal if we just hold an event there and have everyone pay the published fee. Since our Stella social events are done for the year, it was decided that the **third Tuesday** of each month, beginning in November and ending in March would be the night club members would attend Sprockets. The first date is **November 20 at 6:00** p.m. Doug will do an e-mail update and let members know. He is also to include that you need closed toe shoes and to wear old clothes as you get dirty. If you have a full face helmet with shield you can bring it and not wear theirs. Must have eye protection. He will then put a notice in the January issue of the *Newsworks*.

Dave indicated that had he and Linda been hosting the Holiday Party they would have had their daughters string quartet play. The kids require a \$50 payment each and Dave is willing to make up the difference between donations they receive that evening and the \$200. Since Gene and Tracy are the hosts, Dave will contact them and see if this is something they would like to have. Doug and Tracy are making the food, Linda is bring some desserts. Marlene volunteers to help.

We began reviewing the draft of the events calendar sent by Jay. The March tech session would be held March 2, 2002 and be on Tire Management. The event would be held at Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside.

It was noted that Gateway Tech is at a different hotel this year and that the St. Louis club is making improvements in the event. It is being held on Easter Weekend.

The Iowa Chapter Concours will be held on April 27, 2002. We would like to find a new venue to hold this event.

Because the May SCCA autocross was so well attended last year, it was decided to add the May SCCA autocross on to our event calendar as an official club event. It is normally held on the third Sunday.

Iowa Chapter Picnic and new member meeting will be held on Saturday June 15, 2002 – if this does not conflict with the Windy City Drivers School at Gingerman.

Discussion held on the Mid American Motorplex. Dana reported, in Tony's absence that paving was scheduled to begin last week. Tony received e-mail from Northstar Chapter that they would help with this, but it is the feeling of the group to invite them to participate.

O'Fest is June 14-29 and will be in Keystone, CO. Lodging accommodations can be made at Keystone Lodge.

Fall Color will be held on October 12, 2002. Discussion held on making this a fun rally rather than a TSD. Also discussed the need to perhaps change the fall rally (held in September this year) to a spring rally and make it a true TSD rally.

Annual Meeting for 2003 will be February 1, 2003 and will be held in the Eastern part of the state.

Rather than discuss every event at this point, the calendar of events was tabled until the next meeting. It was noted that we are doing the same events and perhaps we should look at some new events.

Dana and Martha suggested that the social meetings we were holding at Stella's be changed to the 1st Monday of each month, beginning in May and ending in August, and be held at Jimmy's American Café at 6:00 p.m. Everyone liked that idea.

The next Board meeting will be Sunday, November 25, at 8:30 am in Martha's office at Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha H. Wittkowski
Secretary