

IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA

**Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors**

**Sunday January 18, 2004
Bell House, 10:10am**

Members Present: Dana Schrader, Doug Wittkowski, David Trachtenberg, Mike Bengé, Dave Brennan, Scott Smed, Fred Bell, Martha Wittkowski

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

Approval of Minutes-Minutes had previously been distributed and corrections noted, via e-mail.

MOTION (Bell/Smed) to ratify minutes as e-mailed with corrections noted.

Ratification needed due to lack of quorum at last board meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

I. Treasurer Report

The financial statements were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. The financial statements were briefly reviewed. Dave Brennan will contact member John Dawson to review our books from 2003.

Budget item—We will need \$300 for the Teen Driving School expenses.

Fred Bell will send out a proposed budget for 2004. Board will vote on it by email.

MOTION (Witt/Brennan) to approve financial statements as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

II. New Member Letter

Decision made at last meeting, to have Vice President, Mike Bengé do the New Member Letters.

Martha will work with Mike during the transition. Letters go out after notification from National of new member additions.

III. Newsletter Editor

Doug Wittkowski resigned the position.

MOTION (Bell/Smed) Martha Wittkowski to be the new Newsletter Editor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV. Chili Cookoff

The event is to be held at Coe College on Saturday, January 31st. Mike Bengé is chairing the event.

Mike will get plaques to present for the winners.

V. EMC News

Once again, EMC will provide doors prizes for our annual meeting. In addition, they will provide a car to transport our VIP speakers that will attend the meeting. For 2004, EMC has again agreed to provide the club assistance with tech sessions, membership payment in conjunction with vehicle purchases, rally's, etc. Four dinners at the annual meeting will be provided for EMC attendees.

Discussion took place concerning reimbursement from National for Dealership attendees to Drivers Schools.

Allison Bell from EMC attended both 2003 schools.

MOTION (Martha Witt./Smed) to contact National for reimbursement for half of the EMC student expense from 2003.

Fred Bell abstained, due to being father of Allison. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Fred will contact National.

VI. Driving Schools

The dates for our June school are June 18, 19 and 20.

Dave Brennan spoke with Natha from MAM concerning cost for 2004 schools. It was mentioned that the cost to us would be about 40% higher than last year. This is a starting point, and it appears that we will be able to negotiate.

Last year's cost per student was \$270. It appears that this may have to increase for 2004. There was discussion that it would be difficult to gain participation, if the student cost was above \$300.

MOTION (Martha/Smed) Keep student cost under \$300. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Dave Brennan will continue discussions with MAM to attempt to bring cost down.

Following the motion, there was discussion about the Driving School instructors paying to participate in the schools.

At past schools, the instructors would pay a \$100 fee, if they came to drive on the Friday of the school weekend.

There was no fee for instructors who didn't arrive until Saturday.

MOTION: (Martha/Brennan) Charge drivers school instructors a fee for the weekend to help with costs. Fee to be determined later. **MOTION CARRIED.**

VII. Driving School Committee

The current committee consists of Dana Schrader, Dave Brennan, Fred Bell, Doug Wittkowski. Doug will contact John Meek about joining this committee.

VIII. Calendar

There was a review of March, April and May events:

March/Tech Session. There will be a brake session at EMC on March 20th. Doug Wittkowski will chair the event.

April/ Clean Car Concours Event. This will take place at True North in Cedar Rapids on Sunday the 25th of April.

David Trachtenberg will chair the event. The cost per person will be \$10, and the proceeds will go to a charity that has not yet been determined.

*May/Teen Driving Event—*To be held at SE Polk High School on Sunday, May 2nd. Doug Wittkowski will chair the event. He will solicit help from Tom Clark.

The meeting concluded at noon.

NEXT MEETING will be held at Sprockets on Saturday, February 21st at 12:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Trachtenberg
Recording Secretary