

IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA



**Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors**

**Sunday August 6, 2006
Principal Park 11am**

Members Present: David Trachtenberg, Brian Smith, Dave Brighton, Doug Wittkowski, Martha Wittkowski, Fred Bell, Mike Bengé, Don VanLengen

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

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

MOTION (Martha/Brian) to approve minutes as e-mailed. **MOTION CARRIED**

I. Treasurer Report

Fred emailed the financial statements for our review prior to the board meeting. He mentioned that the club lost \$850 on the June Driver's School.

MOTION (Trachtenberg/Don V.) to approve financial statements as submitted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

II. O'Fest Report

We had a good turnout from our chapter, and all had a great time. Our folks placed in some events such as TSD Rally, Fun Rally, etc. Doug Wittkowski won the Concours in his class with the 1995 M3. Our chapter won 13th place for the ZF Public Service Award. It was reported that next year, O'fest will be in Ft. Worth, Texas September 30th to October 4th.

III. European Motor Cars Continued Sponsorship

It was reported by Fred Bell that EMC was recently sold to an outfit called Lithia. We are not sure at this point how the new ownership will affect how they sponsor our chapter. Fred will be checking with other dealers under Lithia to learn about sponsorships. It was reported that EMC is under the impression that club members purchase little from them including cars and service. Our feeling is that some members have been purchasing cars from them. We decided that it is still important for EMC to buy club memberships, and that we'd like this to continue. Fred will be speaking with top management at EMC regarding our future relationship. We also discussed the possibility of buying memberships for some of the salespeople at European.

IV. Membership Drive

Since the Missouri Valley Chapter does so well with recruiting new members, it was decided that Dave Brighton would contact Jeff Goman (President of that chapter) to learn more about their recruiting. Our chapter would have higher numbers, but we have not been reporting properly to get the credit. We will change our procedure for the future.

V. Autocross/Rally/Driving Events

Doug started a discussion concerning using the new Iowa Speedway in Newton for the future. More to follow.

VI. Komen Drive

Dave Brighton will be in charge of our representation at this event. Doug reported that even with little notice, our chapter was up to the challenge, and all spots are now full for transporting cars from Dubuque to Des Moines, and Des Moines to Sioux Falls. The event at EMC this year is Saturday the 12th of August. We will have banners up at the event, including ones for Street Survival.

VII. Upcoming Events

Street Survival---October 1, 2006—to be held at SE Polk High School. So far, three people have signed up for the event.

Fall Color Tour---including the Boone Dinner Train Ride---October 21st. Don VanLengen is the chair of this event.

The board made the decision to stick with the small dining car due the current paid reservations.

November---*Bowling Outing*---date TBA.

December---*Holiday party* at Mike Benges place.

VII. New Business

There was discussion about looking for new board members including having a young person on the board. More to follow.

The meeting ended at 12:15pm. The next meeting will be at 9am on Sunday, September 24th at Caribou Coffee on Ingersol.

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Trachtenberg
Recording Secretary