

IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA

BMW Car Club
of America
Iowa Chapter



Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors

Sunday August 14th 10:00am
Caribou Coffee Des Moines

Members Present: David Trachtenberg, David Brighton, Becky Brighton, Fred Bell, Chris Kjemark, Alison Bell, Manoj Tomar, Mike Myers, Rick Talbot

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President David Brighton

Approval of Minutes—Minutes had previously been distributed via email following the last Board Meeting.
MOTION (Alison/Fred) to approve minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** with all present voting “yes.”

I. Treasurer Report

Mike sent out the treasurer reports prior to the meeting and made the following report: There will be a minor loss this year for the recent LDDS driver’s school—mostly due to a lower enrollment. Don Van Lengen has been reimbursed for food expenses from the Saturday evening BBQ. **MOTION** (Fred/Rick)-approve Treasurer Report as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** with all present voting, “yes.”

II. Social Activity Report

Monthly Socials—September 13th at the Iowa Tap Room in Des Moines and October 11th at Hessen House in Des Moines, November 8th—A Dong in Des Moines.

Annual Picnic recap—A great event even though the weather didn’t cooperate. Great feedback in regard to the Pizza truck. Everyone really enjoyed the food.

IMSA/Weather Tech Race-Road America recap—David/Becky B. attended as well as a few other members and had a great time. David reviewed the weekend events.

100th Anniversary of BMW-Oktoberfest. August 23-28. Some of our members will attend this year.

Des Moines Concours/Drive—September 10/11. Drew is organizing the Saturday drive. Like last year, we will have a tent for our chapter and will be splitting one with the Porsche Club for Street Survival. There are 10 BMW’s that will be on display. Our cost for the Street Survival Tent will be \$85.

Planning Meeting—Smokey D’s on 2nd Ave. in Des Moines—November 13th at 11am. Alison will chair.

II. Driving Events Report

Driving School/ITS recap-- ITS was quite successful with 5 of 6 candidates passing the program. Attendance for the school was down this year. There was some discussion regarding changing Sunday’s format so “sign-offs” don’t happen too early. More to follow. There was also some discussion about having two schools in 2017. The track let us know that there would be substantial savings involved if we commit to two track weekends. The second school would be sponsored by our chapter only. Manoj will follow-up on financials. If we do a second school, we would incorporate more one day sessions. More to follow.

Autocross- September 11th-Iowa Events Center, October 16th—Adventureland.

Fall Colors Tour—The route is now planned. We still need to lock down potential hotels. The event will be the weekend of October 1st and will begin at BMW of Des Moines.

Street Survival-Iowa Speedway October 8th- 8 students are registered so far.

Jolly Holiday Lights Drive—this year will be at Adventureland. Our drive will be on December 3rd.

III. Communications Report—Webmaster-Newsletter

Communications Report---Chris reported that our site is updated, as is National. He mentioned that information will be going out shortly regarding an “M” school sponsored by the Northstar Chapter.

Website update ---Manoj reported that traffic on our site was up in July due to the driver’s school. The calendar page was especially popular. He also reported that we’ll be moving to a different site server at the end of September or early October. The cost will increase to \$200 annually.

Newsworks Report: Becky reported that she needs a few articles for the next newsletter.

V. Membership Report

412 members at this time.

VI. Old Business

2016 BMW CCA Foundation Challenge---David continued to bring up the importance of supporting the Foundation.

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Annual Dealer Visits—David reported that he recently drove across the state doing his annual visit to BMW dealers.

2017 Annual Dinner—There was some discussion regarding possible speakers and venues. More to follow.

The meeting ended at 11:40am. The next meeting will be on Sunday, September 11th at 9am prior to the Des Moines Concours in downtown Des Moines.

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Trachtenberg
Recording Secretary