

# IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA



**Minutes of Meeting  
Board of Directors**

**Saturday June 26, 2004  
Smed House 10:00am**

*Members Present:* Dana Schrader, Fred Bell, David Trachtenberg, Scott Smed, Martha Wittkowski, Mike Bengel, Doug 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** (Mike B./Martha W.) to approve minutes as e-mailed with corrections noted. **MOTION CARRIED**

## **I. Treasurer Report**

The financial statements were distributed by email before the meeting. Fred Bell reported that the June Driving School lost money to the tune of about \$2650.

**MOTION** (Doug W. /S. Smed) to approve financial statements as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **II. Annual Meeting 2005**

The chair of this event---Natalie Schrader, continues to research possible sights for the meeting. There was a discussion of possible speakers for the meeting, including Satch Carlson, Dave Despain from the Speed Channel's Wind Tunnel show, and the M Brand Manager Hernando Carvajal. Natalie Schrader and Doug Wittkowski will be trying to find a speaker.

## **III. Calendar**

### **Picnic**

We are all set for the picnic at Easter Lake, Shelter #2 at noon on July 17<sup>th</sup>. The event chair is Don Van Lengen.

### **Club day at the Ballpark**

Our first annual Club day at Sec Taylor to see the Cubs, will be on Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. Game time, 1:05pm. Cost per person is \$4. Event chairperson is David Trachtenberg

### **Komen Drive for the Cure**

This year's drive will be at European Motorcars on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Drivers will be needed on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> of September to transport the cars to Bloomington, MN. Our Club will setup the EZ Up, and have membership information available during the event.

### **Missouri Valley Driving School**

September 11 and 12 are the dates for this school at MAM. This is not a chapter event, but we will help, if asked.

### **Fall Color Tour**

October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> are the dates for this year's tour, which will begin in Des Moines. Fred Bell is the chairperson, and is working on the TSD rally route. The rest of the details are set, and will be in the July NewsWerks.

### **Bowling**

Our first annual Bowling outing will be in November, and will be chaired by Dana Schrader. He is working on the location and details.

### **Holiday Party**

We are looking for a chairperson for this December event. Martha Wittkowski will be sending out an email soliciting volunteers for this event, and additional events.

### **Driving School, 2005**

The 2005 driving school will again be the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in June. Doug Wittkowski has volunteered to be the chairperson of the event. He will get a contract from MAM, to firm up the dates.

## **IV. Event Advertising**

We have decided to advertise some of our future events in the Roundel. This should give us more exposure. In addition, there was discussion about advertising our events in the neighborhood section of the Des Moines Register, and possibly, on television. Fred will put Scott Smed, or an event chair in touch with the Des Moines Register Reporter for the neighborhood sections.

## **V. Website**

In order to better get information to Russ Wiles to put on our website, we will use a template. An event chairperson will send the completed template form to Scott Smed, and he will forward to Russ Wiles for the website, and to Martha for the newsletter. Scott Smed will design the template that we will use.

## **VI. Safety School**

If we do a Safety School in the future, it will be on our own—outside the foundation. The tentative date for such an event will be in late April of 2005. We will need a chairperson for this event.

## **VII. Tool Box**

It was decided that we need a central location for the club tools. This will give more members access to the tools. Doug did some research on a trailer for the tools. It would cost between \$1500 and \$2500. Another idea presented would be to rent a trailer. We need to get an inventory list of the tools that we have so far. Dana will contact Dave Brennan about putting this list together.

## **VIII. Chapter Congress**

Dana and Mike attended this year's Chapter Congress in Keystone, CO. Dana mentioned that it was the best meeting of this type so far. Dana and Mike reviewed some ideas that came out of this meeting, including, getting new members interested in participating, by finding out what their "hot button" is. Also discussed—getting younger members involved in the club. Most are over 30. The final discussion item revolved around the Directors and Officers Insurance Program. This insurance would cover Board Members and Chairs of events from liability. The cost would be \$1,000 per year, and the coverage limit would be \$1,000,000. Martha will do some research to see if we can get this type of insurance for less.

The meeting concluded at 12:10pm.

**NEXT MEETING will be held at 10am on July 17<sup>th</sup>, prior to the picnic at Easter Lake.**

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Trachtenberg  
Recording Secretary