

IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA



**Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors**

**Saturday December 17, 2005
Perkins-Ames, IA 9:00am**

Members Present: David Trachtenberg, Martha Wittkowski, Brian Smith, Dana Schrader, Doug Wittkowski, Dave Brighton, Don Van Lengen, Mike Bengé, Scott Smed, Fred Bell

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

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

MOTION (Doug/Dave Brighton) to approve minutes as e-mailed. **MOTION CARRIED**

I. Treasurer Report

Fred sent out financial statements prior to the meeting for our review. He mentioned that Viva was paid for the Website design, which should put us at about a \$1500 loss for 2005. We decided to postpone review and approval of the 2006 budget, due to late distribution. Board members were encouraged to email Fred with any questions or issues related to the budget.

MOTION (Martha/Doug) Approve financial statements as submitted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

II. Calendar (2006)

The only addition to the calendar was the announcement of the Cubs game date for August of 2006.

January: We will do a **Social Event** on January 10th at Baratta's on the south side of Des Moines.

January: The third annual **Chili Cook-off** will be at Coe College in Cedar Rapids on January 28th.

February: Our **Annual Meeting** will be on February 18th at the Holiday Inn Amanas beginning at 5:30pm.

There will be a live auction for some of the top prizes.

March: **Gateway Tech** March 23-26 in St. Louis. This will be a chapter event this year.

March: **Tech Session.** Details and date TBA

April: **Karting** event in Marshalltown at the Jet Karting Center. Date TBA.

May: **Concours** Event on May 21st at J&J in Cedar Rapids.

May: **One Lap** at MAM on May 7th. Details to follow.

June: **Longest Day Driving School** at MAM, June 9-11.

July: **Annual Picnic** Date and location TBA.

July: **O'fest** in Grand Rapids, MI., July 23-28. Our Chapter will help out this year. Details to follow.

August: **Cubs game/tailgate.** August 6th at 1:05pm against Portland.

September: 2nd annual **Street Survival** and Safety School. September 17th at SE Polk High School.

October: **Fall Color Tour** October 14-15. Details to follow.

November: **Bowling** event. Details and date to follow.

December: **Annual Holiday Party.** December 2nd at Mike Bengé's place in Cedar Rapids.

III. Website

Dana has been working on our new site, and continues to make improvements. One suggestion was to include other chapter's events on our site. There was a discussion regarding the forum on our site, and how to proceed. One possibility is Yahoo Group. Dana is looking into this for 2006. In addition, he is researching an inexpensive host for the site.

IV. Trailer

Doug has been looking into the possibility of having a club trailer. The largest obstacle is what vehicle to tow the trailer with. More discussion to follow.

V. Fund Raising

Don discussed doing a raffle for charity of a 32inch Flat-screen Television. He would be able to get a discounted price on one at Best Buy in the next two weeks. To promote this, Don mentioned that we could get the assistance of KGGO radio in Des Moines.

MOTION: (Martha/Scott) Approve the concept of a raffle, and appoint a subcommittee that will report back to the board within the next two weeks, in time to get the special price on the television. **MOTION CARRIED.**

VI. O'fest Concours

Doug discussed the possibility of having us help with this event in Michigan next year. We would need at least four members that would commit to going and doing the job. The board decided not to commit to this, but to try to get some members together to go to the event.

VII. Driving School

The Driving School committee met recently to discuss the details for the June 2006 event. Fred will be negotiating the agreement with MAM shortly.

VIII. Membership Drive

Martha discussed the possibility of using a special business card that could be passed out to perspective members. She will get some of these from National to review. We will make this decision in early 2006.

IX. Annual Meeting

Dave Brighton (the event chair) will need help soliciting vendors for prizes. We will all try to help with this endeavor. He will be making the decision this week regarding the company that will produce the logo blanket that will be given to each attendee of the event.

The meeting ended at 11:15 am. The next meeting will be at 9am on Saturday January 7th at the Village Bean in the East Village in Des Moines.

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Trachtenberg
Recording Secretary