IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA



Minutes of Meeting Board of Directors

Saturday February 16, 2008 BMW of Des Moines—9:30am

Members Present: David Trachtenberg, Dave Brighton, Fred Bell, Dana Schrader, Brian Smith, Don Van Lengen, Doug Wittkowski, Mike Benge Guest Present: Roger Menneke

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

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

MOTION (Dana/Dave B.) to approve minutes as e-mailed. MOTION CARRIED

I. Treasurer Report

Fred distributed the financial reports via email prior to the meeting. He reported that Mike Wiskirchen (CPA) did a review of last years books and reported that he was satisfied with our record keeping. This month's report included expenses for the recent Holiday Party. **MOTION (Dana/Brian):** Approve Treasurer Report as submitted. **MOTION CARRIED**.

II. Annual Meeting

Dave B. reported that Kolin (event chair) contacted some board members requesting that they contact certain vendors for donations. He also mentioned that Len Mueller (Regional VP) would arrive in Cedar Rapids around noon for the meeting. So far, 56 members have signed up for the dinner/meeting. The deadline for signing up is Friday the 22^{nd} of February.

III. Multi-Chapter Corral/Fall Color Tour

Fred presented a possible idea for our Fall Color Tour. Kansas City Chapter has asked us to participate in a multi-chapter corral at the 2008 SCCA National Championship Runoffs the weekend of Ocober 12, 2008, along with Missouri Valley Chapter. We discussed combining this with the Fall Color Tour because of its timing. Dave Brighton volunteered to organize the Fall Color Tour with a route down through western Iowa and eastern Nebraska and find a location for overnight before continuing on to the Runoffs with those who want to attend. At this time, chapter and participant costs for the corral are being evaluated. The board agreed to do the FCT as discussed. Fred was directed to tell Kansas City Chapter that we would commit to jointly host the Runoffs corral. We discussed financial support for our share of the corral, and agreed to put \$1000 in the budget to cover corral expenses or pay for Iowa Chapter participant corral tickets, depending on how Kansas City Chapter finalizes the financial structure for the event.

IV. Calendar

Annual Meeting---February 29th at Kirkwood College at 6pm. Members will pay \$25 for the dinner and receive an appreciation gift. An evening sponsor will be Eurowerkz. They will raffle off a day with Jason Smith's M5. The meeting hotel is the Hampton Inn for \$89.

Bowling Event---Sunday, March 30th. Place and time TBD.

Social---March 11th 6:30pm at the Big Steer in Altoona.

Picture Rally---Sunday, April 6th. More to follow. **Bimmers/Brats/Beer-**--May 3rd, 11am. To be held at J&J Motorsports. No competition this year...just Bimmers, Brats and Beer

LDDS---June 6-8, 2008. More to follow.

Komen Drive—July 2nd at EMC followed by transporting the cars to Omaha. Once again, David Brighton will be in charge of the transport.

Picnic---July at Raccoon River in W. Des Moines. Date and time to follow.

Iowa Cubs—August 3rd at 1:05pm.

V. **Budget 2008**

Fred reviewed our 2008 budget and mentioned that at this point we are predicting a \$7,000 loss. There was some discussion in regard to ways to reduce the loss. MOTION (Dana/Don): Accept 2008 budget as presented. MOTION CARRIED with 1 "no" vote.

VI. **Windy City Seminar**

Brian and Doug will be attending a seminar in Chicago conducted by the Windy City Chapter. The seminar will be on March 15th. Registration is \$100 per person. The guest speaker is Ross Bentley (former Pro Driver). He will be discussing classroom driving instruction. The expected expenses for our two attendees is \$600. MOTION (Fred/Dave B.): Have our chapter cover the expenses for Brian and Doug to attend. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. **Vendor Relationships**

Dana and Fred will be meeting soon with EMC to discuss our future partnership. In addition, Dave Brighton will be meeting with Kruse BMW in Dubuque.

VIII. New Business

Fred budgeted \$100 for new binders for each board member that will include our important documents/procedures.

Doug reported on progress for the upcoming June Driver's School. He now has an agreement with MAM and will be using the same hotel as last year...the Hampton Inn. The cost per night will be \$99.

Dave Brighton mentioned an antique car museum in Williams, Iowa. This might be a good location for a tour and board meeting. More to follow.

The meeting ended at 11:30am. The next meeting will be at 9:30am on Saturday, March 22nd. Location to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,