

IOWA CHAPTER BMW CCA



**Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors**

**Saturday April 3rd, 2010
Starlite Room Cedar Rapids noon**

Members Present: David Trachtenberg, Fred Bell, Nehru Cheddie, David Brighton, Mike Bengé, Kolin Brighton *Guests Present:* Chris Kjellmark, Gene Duprey, Kevin Wake

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Fred Bell

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

MOTION (Mike/Dave B.) to approve minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** with all present voting “yes.”

I. Treasurer Report

Cindy sent out February reports prior to the meeting, but was unable to attend. She sent an email note and reported that we have about \$700 in the checking account and that the deposit went out for the June Driver’s School. Cindy recommended that we cash in our Vanguard Fund to have extra cash in checking. Currently, there is \$3,389 in the fund. **MOTION** (Dave B./David T.) Cash in the Vanguard Fund and deposit funds in our checking account.

MOTION CARRIED with all present voting “yes.”

MOTION (David T./Mike) to approve Treasurer’s report as submitted. **MOTION CARRIED** with all present voting “yes.”

II. Old Business

BMW tour of Germany Update: David Brighton reported that the tour will be put on hold for a year due to limited interest from higher than expected cost. Dave mentioned that the trip which will now be in 2011 will be a North Central Region trip and asked for recommended dates. The tour director Bob is looking for a dealer to sponsor the trip which will offset some of the cost. The 2011 trip will have multiple departure points.

Chapter Logo Revisions: Fred reported that this is now tabled indefinitely due to it being tied up in Legal.

Chapter Congress: March 5-7: Dave Brighton, Fred Bell and Cindy Dolmage attended. Dave mentioned that the primary focus was on membership due to loss of members. He reported that there will be a National Membership Chair position and a Regional Membership Chair. Dave recommended that we have our own membership chair. Currently, Dave B. has been handling membership duties as one of his functions. He reported that Cindy Dolmage was interested in this new position and would be ready to assume duties when we find another Treasurer.

In addition, Dave brought up having a Communications Director for our chapter who would supervise and coordinate Web, Social Networking and Newsletter functions. The Communications Director could handle one or more of these roles, but that wouldn’t be required. Dave mentioned the possibility of having a Regional Congress instead of National in the future to involve more people. More to follow on this topic.

Annual Reports to National: *Charity Funds Matching*—Dave B. submitted documentation to National and received confirmation that it was received. *Financial Statements*—Fred reported that he was not sure if Cindy sent the Financial Statements to National, but would check. *Officer/director responsibilities*—update document: David T. will send what we have so far to Board for review and possible revision.

III. New Business

New Event Ideas: Chris brought up the idea of having a parts swap meet that could be in conjunction with a BBQ. We discussed other ideas like golf outings, skating, etc. More to follow.

Advertising: Dave B. brought up the idea of advertising on our site instead of the newsletter. More to follow.

IV. Committee Reports

Upcoming Socials: April 12th—Royal Mile in Des Moines, May 11th at Friday's in West Des Moines, June 14th at El Bait Shop in Des Moines and July 13th at Buffalo Wild Wings in W. Des Moines

Annual Dinner: In David Hanf's absence, Fred reported that 65 attended the dinner, which was a low turnout. Kolin will handle next year's meeting which will be in the Cedar Rapids area. We discussed possible speakers and having a local band or singer.

Tech Session—The Tech Session at Zimmerman BMW in Cedar Rapids had 14 attendees including a couple of 1st timers. Dave B. did a great job reviewing necessary maintenance items.

Fun Rally: April 10, 2010 to be chaired by Jeff Daly. Details are now all set. The event will begin at Living History Farms in Des Moines between 8 and 10am.

Camp Courageous and Winery Tour in Cedar Rapids: May 16th. There will be two caravans to Cedar Ridge Winery---one from Des Moines, led by Dave Brighton and one from the Cedar Rapids area led by Kevin Wake. Kolin will lead the tour of the winery and provide lunch. We will then drive to the car show at Camp Courageous.

LDDS: June 10-13th Mike Bengé is the event chair and the deposit was sent in. Nehru mentioned that he has a contact who could do photography for the event and sell the pictures on a flash drive. Mike gave his ok and stated that the photographer would have to meet the requirements of track management. Fred reported that EMC may be the event sponsor, donating up to \$1,500. Fred reported that so far we have 6 candidates for ITS and that we want at least 8.

ALMS/Ofest: We now have a block of rooms at the Comfort Inn.

Show and Shine: September 26th at J and J Motorsport.

Other 2010 Events: Nothing to report at this time.

The meeting ended at 2:00pm. The next meeting will be in Des Moines on May 2nd at 10am. Place to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,

David L. Trachtenberg
Recording Secretary