



**Appalachian Region Board Meeting
April 02, 2020
Via Teleconference**

In Attendance: Board members Don Therien, Jim Moore, Matt Pohsweg, Don Grainger, Peter Graham. Also attending were Jim Peterson, Dick Maybach, Charlie Hickey, David Butler, Dan Dazzo, Bob Hermann, Scott Walker, John Goetzman and Dave White

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Don Therien at 3:55 pm.

Minutes Approval: Minutes of the last Appalachian Region Board meeting held January 30, 2020 and the minutes of emails/teleconferences held in February and March 2020 were both approved. The 1/30/20 Minutes were approved as submitted, and the email/teleconference minutes were approved with a minor change and then updated with a 4/2/20 date.

Board Reports:

- 1. President:** Don Therien reported on the March 28, 2020 Zone 3 Presidents Meeting. Topics Don included:
 - A discussion of PCA insurance and the phone number of the PCA Insurance Chair Ken Laborde (504-460-5500) was provided for Incident Reporting. Emphasized submittal of Observer Reports and Post Event Reports. Although our Region has done well on these submittals Charley Hickey will look at adding a reminder on the Registration/Signup sheets.
 - Discussed social media do's and don'ts.
 - The coordination of 2021 Region event calendars.
 - Region Bylaws – review currently in-process.
- 2. Vice President:** No report.
- 3. Secretary:** Don Grainger reviewed attendance on the call for these minutes.
- 4. Treasurer:** Matt Pohsweg provided the following AR Treasury activity/status below, items a and b:

- a. Treasury Balance(*0492 account) as of 04/02/2020 = \$17,518.60
- Deposits since 01/30/20 Board Meeting = \$2,172.52
 - Debits since 01/30/20 Board Meeting = \$2,058.41
- b. Other:
- A second account was opened (*2804 account) on 1/31/20 with a transfer of \$100, to serve as an interface with PayPal.
 - There were transfers in and out of the PayPal account to facilitate both the L-W and 5th Anniversary refunds. The total PayPal incurred fees for both events was \$70.06. The PayPal account currently has a \$0 balance, and the *2804 account has a \$100 balance.
 - A check for \$300 was sent to The Cindy Platt Boys & Girls Club of Transylvania County associated with the L-W Event.

5. **Past President:** No report.

Committee Reports:

1. Events:

- **5-Year Anniversary and Luft Wasser Event Updates**
Jim Moore said that we are essentially in a wait and see status on both events. A “mini L-W” may be considered. It would be too difficult to hold a L-W in the Fall and then again in the Spring. If possible, it would be preferable to hold the 5-Year Anniversary sometime in our 2020 anniversary year.
- **Dine and Drive, Breakfast Rambles and Wednesday Socials Update**
-The Saturday May 21st Drive & Dine to Poinsett Bridge is still on the calendar but we will monitor CDC Guidelines and determine how or if the event will be held at the next BOD Meeting 4/30/20.
- The next Social Mixer scheduled for April 8th will be a video conference using Skype rather than a taproom meeting. Continuation of this format will depend on interest/participation.
- **April 11th SUV Drive Update**
This event has been cancelled.
- **June New Member Picnic**
Decision on this event, scheduled for June20th, will be made at the next BOD Meeting.
- **Smokey Mountain Region Spring Thing**
Smoky Mountain Regions Spring Thing in Johnson City, TN has been postponed until August 7-9, 2020.

2. Special Events (Bob Herrmann):

- **Appalachian Adventure Update**

- Bob reported that he made a trip to Blowing Rock and made arrangements for the concours to be held in the First Baptist Church parking lot, and that it will be on the Saturday of the event.
- The hotel update: They informed us that by September all rooms will have updates. Bob encouraged members planning to attend to make their reservations, and provided the phone number (828-295-4300) for room reservations. We are committed to 17 reservations by July 10th.
- The preliminary estimate for attendance is \$220 per couple. Additional items over and above past AA events will be an additional cost.
- David Butler agreed to put together a list of event information needed for registration. **Note:** David notified me post meeting that “AA2019 files we’re forwarded last Saturday, using Club Reg to Bob, Don T and Jim M., and suggested Event Description, Schedule, Meadow Brook information and Menus were needed in order to announce the event”.

3. Membership (David Angelus): Membership Chair David Angelus was not able to attend but provided a Membership Report after the meeting via email:

Primary Members = 282, Affiliate Members = 168, Total Members = 450.
Transfers in = 2, Transfers out = 0, Non Renewals = 4, Late Renewals = 2

4. Website (Dick Maybach): Dick reported that use has been essentially “business as usual”.

5. Social Media (Scott Walker): Scott reported that there are 180 Facebook members, 156 were active. There were 350 posts/comments/etc. for the month.

6. Safety (Charley Hickey): No report.

7. Driving Events/Tours (John Goetzman): John reported beginning some planning for a July event.

8. Track (David Wells): Not able to attend.

Unfinished Business:

APR grille badges interest (Charley Hickey): Purchase of Appalachian Region grille badges are being considered. Charley has pictures available if interested. Cost may be ~\$50 due to small quantity costs.

New Business:

None

Announcements:

- The 2020 Porsche Parade has not been cancelled as of this date.
- Porsche Asheville Service Department is still open for business.
- The MANNA Food Bank is still in need of volunteers. The APR April effort has been cancelled as our volunteers are all in the high risk group. We plan to return to MANNA to assist food delivery as soon as it is safe to do so.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at: 5:10 pm.

Submitted,
Don Grainger
Secretary, Appalachian Region