Sports Car Club of America RoadRally Board Minutes January 22, 2017

The RoadRally Board met at the SCCA Convention on January 22, 2017; meeting called to order at 8:00 am by Chairman Rich Bireta. In attendance: Rich Bireta, Jim Crittenden, Peter Schneider, Mike Bennett, Clyde Heckler, Jeanne English, secretary, Mike Thompson, NEC chairman, Lee Hill (former) and Bob Dowie (current), BOD liaisons, Howard Duncan, Rally/Solo director, and guests Cheryl Babbe and Pego Mack.

Front Burner Items:

- 1. Minutes: December minutes stand as published.
- 2. RReNewsletter Reminder: Text "roadrally" to 22828 to subscribe.
- 3. Breakfast and Lunch Sunday will be provided courtesy of Howard Duncan and the SCCA. Breakfast should be available at 8:00. (Both were tasty and filling. Thanks, Howard!)
- 4. Introductions all present introduced themselves around the table.
- 5. RRB Responsibilities (What we must do in 2017)
 - a. SCCA Operations Manual: Responsibilities, Expectations. Section 7, Appendix F Rich encourages all RRB members to download the Operations Manual and read the appropriate section.
 - b. RRB member terms 2 years, annual reappointment by BOD, up to 6 years
 - c. RRB Recurring Calendar things we have to do, and when, Rich has a calendar; it includes such things as the time schedule for rules revisions
 - d. Administration of Championship Events, National Events Committee also includes rules changes; NEC members: Mike Thompson, Ron Ferris, Chuck Larouere, Richard Wetzel, and Bob DeMerritt. *Motion: Reappoint Mike Thompson as NEC Chairman and reappoint the other members. Rich/Peter/Pass. Motion: Clyde will be the primary RRB liaison to the NEC, with Jim secondary. Rich/Peter/Pass*. Mike will send NEC minutes to RRB.
 - e. RRB Monthly meeting day and time: 2nd Thursdays, 7:30 CDT
- 6. RRB Priorities for 2017 (What we would like to accomplish in 2017)

These are the RRB priorities for 2017, in order of priority (initials signify which RRB member will be lead person for that item):

- A. Safety Steward Program
 - PS 1. Review current list
 - a. Identify focal person for each region
 - b. Review Safety Stewards and SS Instructor lists with region focal
 - i. Remove inactive licensees
 - PS 2. Process document for license and re-certification
 - MB 3. Training/knowledge test
 - a. Coordinate existing materials
 - b. Create a knowledge test
 - c. Modernize/On-line training
- B. Communication Strategy
 - 1. Develop communication plan
 - RB a. Identify current deficiencies
 - b. Identify under-utilized communication paths
 - i. SCCA forums
 - ii. Inside Line
 - iii. RE monthly
 - iv. RReNews (Constant Contact)
 - v. Member Facebook page (SCCA members)
 - vi. RR Facebook page(s)
 - -- SCCA Road Rally
 - -- Road Rally e-News
 - vii. SCCA Yahoo group
 - JC 2. Road Rally Best Practices
 - RB 3. E-mail Communication
- C. Regional Development

- CH 1 Road Rally "Starter Kit"
 - a. GTA Q&A
 - b. Tour TSD (simple)
- CH 2. Rallymaster Starter Kit
 - a. Process document(s)
 - 3. Divisional Steward Role
 - a. Mentorship
 - 4. National Coordinator
- JC 5. Proposal for funding for regional programs

7. New Business

- a. SCCA HQ support for USRRC: Mike asked if there are any national funds for USRRC? Pego said that at some point in the past there was a line item in SCCA's budget for the USRRC; Bob Dowie will check to see if it is still there. HQ is sponsoring a team from HQ.
- b. Should there be a RRB Town Hall via Conference Call in February? Conference call yes, but at the end of March.
- c. Clarification on Workers Points: Bruce Gezon wants clarification that the 20 pts can be two divisionals answer, yes
- d. Clarification on Sanction, Insurance and Weekend Membership fees: Motion:
 Sanction fees of \$10 (national)/\$4 (divisional)/\$2 (regional) stay the same as 2016, plus
 \$4 per car insurance. Rich/Jim/Pass
- e. Clarification on National Championship Decals Rule Change change 'insure' to 'encourage' 13.C.4.

8. Appointments

- a. Secretary: Jeanne will continue as RRB secretary
- b. Pointskeeper: Motion: Show Weekend Membership people in points standings in 2017. Rich/Peter/Pass.

Motion: Appoint Bruce Gezon as Pointskeeper. Peter/Rich/Pass.

- c. National Events Committee membership: see 5.d above (same as last year). Thank you for a job well done in 2016.
- d. Regional Development Committee membership: tabled
- e. Rulebook Editor Bruce has done it, and is willing to continue *Motion: Reappoint Bruce Gezon as RRB editor. Rich/Jim/Pass.*
- Role of Divisional Steward: currently, they are supposed to administer a divisional series. Peter would like that changed, so that they additionally are involved in the RR safety steward program, and also to mentor 'new' regions that want to start a road rally program.
- g. Rules Committee: *Motion: No Rules Committee be appointed for 2017 at this time. Mike//Rich/Pass.* Discussion: the process for the past 2 years has worked, with the NEC doing rules changes. Jim thinks the NEC needs to be 'beefed up'.
- h. National Coordinator of Regional Development: tabled
- i. Suggestion from Sasha Lanz about GTA National Championship: that worker points be used in place of competing in a national rally? *Motion: The existing rule stands as is for all series. M/S/P*. Table discussion
- j. Social rally fees: Motion: The RRB concurs with national office guidelines for social rally fees (\$20 per event) Rich/Jim/Pass

Motion to adjourn at 4:00 pm Next meeting via conference call, February 9, 2017 Respectfully submitted, Jeanne English, RRB Secretary