

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes
11/11/11
Sheraton Westport Conference Center
St. Louis, MO.

Competition meeting Open Session began at 6:30 p.m. CST. Present were VPC Jack Wilson plus 11 RCDs & 1 Proxy representing 12 of the 15 Regions, which were EO Chuck Stephens, FL Manny Montgomery, MI Dave Johnson, IN Mike Godfrey, MW Paul Haack, RM Walt Jenkins, RR Paul Hamersly, SE Don Parks, SW Craig Kamradt, WR Jerry Koraleski, WO Jim Asbury, and Dave Alciatore (Proxy) for WC Joe Orrico.

Introductions:

RCD introductions were made and a welcome was extended to the gallery of members present to witness the meeting.

VPC Comments:

High Speed and Novice cards were made available to the RCDs.
A period of silence as observed in recognition for all of our past and current veterans who have and are serving our country for "Veterans Day."

Meeting Minutes Approval:

Paul Hamersly made a motion to accept the 9/9/11 STL Competition Minutes. Walt Jenkins seconded. Motion carried.

2011 Sanctioned Event Status Review:

Jack announced an updated Points Status was just published 11/10/11. 1126 events have been received and posted.

Jack asked for all the RCDs to review their Regional Sanction Log and turn in all outstanding results if they have any. If they are not received by the Tentative Final Standings being published, then those events will not be counted. There are some that are already so late that their points have already been lost for those events per the NCCC Rulebook. That RCD has been notified.

2011 High Speed Driving Schools Approved:

All schools have been completed for the year.

Drag Records:

There was a new updated drag record listing published 8/13/11.

There were no new drag records set since that update.

The 2012 Record Drag Schedule has two already scheduled:

- 5/27/12 Thunder Valley Raceway Park, Noble, OK.
- 10/21/11 Thunder Valley Raceway Park, Noble, OK.

Clarification(s):

There were no clarifications submitted.

Convention Steering Competition Representative Report:

Jerry Koraleski reported the 2012 West Region Convention in Topeka, KS. is still coming together as planned.

Walt Jenkins asked about classifications to be validated prior to registration for the “Wheel to Wheel” competition. Jerry and those WR audience representatives present explained there is no such competition offered. Jerry and Jack would confirm with Larry Beebe and Deb Murphy. NOTE: Confirmation after the meeting concluded there is no “Wheel to Wheel” competition being offered.

Old Business:

Manny Montgomery reported as the Competition Committee Rep. from the Finance Committee. There will be a presentation at the Sat. Governors Mtg. from the Treasurer regarding the IRS audit and an amount of money we owe at this point. There will be no discussion as this is in the audit stage and is being handled with the IRS.

Walt Jenkins asked to have the current specifics on how the point system is developed so he can look into how to tie that to the results form that is on the web so it will be easier for the regions to do results. There was discussion as what the specific issues were that are problems with the results being done. Paul Haack asked Walt to provide him with specific issues and he will work with Walt to try to improve those concerns. It was decided to table that discussion until Feb. Jack asked Walt to prepare a listing of concerns at the results preparation end and bring to the Feb. Mtg. for discussion.

New Business:

Jack announced that Jim Tripilone is no longer the Brown & Brown Rep for NCCC. In the interim, until someone permanent is identified, Christy Bahrenburg is our contact at 719-387-2209 and her fax is 719-471-2889.

Jack asked who will be new RCDs in 2012. Paul Haack announced Bill Docherty will replace him for the Midwest Region. Manny Montgomery announced Denny Murphy will replace him for the Florida Region. Everyone else will be returning.

Jack passed around a listing of email addresses for the Competition Committee to confirm or change. That list was confirmed as correct for all the returning RCDs.

Debbie Linsey asked Jack to have anyone who had someone who was an active person on the “social network, i.e. Corvette Forum, etc.” to give her their name and email address immediately as she is working with Michelin on a communication networking initiative.

Steve Johnson from the ER had handed Jack a letter through Brian Gallagher (ER/NE RCD) regarding the Teen Driving School Program that has been so successful with saving lives of Teenagers across the country since it began in 2004. This is done through the Northern Virginia Corvette Club and they are asking NCCC to become more involved with supporting these types of programs for our Teenagers. Jack is taking this to the Executive Board and Brian will discuss more on this with the Competition Committee next year.

Since there weren't many subjects submitted for discussion at this meeting, it was decided to continue the meeting without a break and not having a closed session. Therefore, we went directly into a round table discussion and one 2013 Rulebook Change that was submitted.

(NOTE: Mtg. continued as Open Session for this mtg.) Following the break, the Committee went into Closed Session for Round Table Discussions:

Note: Due to the general notes included into the minutes from the Competition Committee Meeting, does not intend or represent any agreed upon changes to the Competition Manual (Rulebook). Discussion items are described general in nature for membership awareness only.

Roundtable Discussion:

Several general discussion items occurred to assist clarification for consistency and decisions within the various regions.

One specific concern expressed the number of classifications are so many that one event recently had 18 entrants in 16 single car classes. Even though no one plans to come to an event to be in a single car class, it is occurring more frequently. Though a difficult issue to resolve, maybe future discussion can occur regarding how this might be addressed.

2012 Rulebook Discussion Items:

At the September Governors meeting a concern was expressed from the floor that the Rulebook should be voted on as “Line Item Voting” vs. “Package Voting”. There will be a Standing Rules Change presented from the floor to vote on the Rulebook as a “Package Vote”. There were two inputs from members within the past week expressing two specific items of concern that could cause people to vote against the Rulebook. It was suggested the Competition Committee review and possibly modify the language so it would be more palatable to people. The Committee discussed and decided if we changed anything from the proposal we presented to the Governors in Sept. it would legally cause a change which would have to go back to the Regions for discussion and therefore negate any vote for a 2012 Rulebook change. Therefore, the 2011 Rulebook would have to continue until a new Rulebook change proposal was presented to the Governors next September for a 2013 Rulebook. It made more sense to pass the 2012 Rulebook and have a formal Rulebook Change Request submitted to address these two concerns for the 2013 Rulebook, which is an advantage of an annual Rulebook vs. a multiple year Rulebook.

2013 Rulebook Discussion Items:

There was one item submitted and discussed regarding the change on language allowing new street tires be purchased with a 2/32” or more tread depth with a 110 wear rating vs. minimum 8/32” tread depth with a 110 wear rating. There were pros and cons discussed. It was decided to table this until the Feb. Mtg. with the new Committee members in place.

Protest & Appeals: None to discuss.

Mtg. adjourned at 10:40 P.M.

Jack C. Wilson, Vice-Pres. Competition