



Buccaneer Region Board of Directors Meeting June 13, 2022—Zoom meeting

Present with Zoom: Don Johnson, Bill Dennis, Bob Horansky, Chris Ronson, Sr, Harvey Lewis, Jeff Utley, Kenny Lee, Jack Abbott and Nona Heinzen

Absent: Larry Morgan, Ron Ogletree, Kurt Breitingner, Craig Tomeo

Guests present: Jim Glenn

Call to Order: 7:06 pm

SAV SOLO- Kenny gave his report saying JAX SOLO- Craig couldn't join us tonight so Kenny went first. Kenny said they had 72 drivers at their last event and netted \$1203.58. He said it was getting harder to find places to hold events with the Savannah Convention Center paddock being used more by the Convention Center. He said they developed a course around the items that were there (flat beds, materials, etc.) He just doesn't know how it will all play out in the future. He then gave the bank balance with descriptions of expenses. Their next event will be July 9, 2022.

Chris asked about alternative locations he might have. Kenny said the DOT has their hands in all airports, so he's sees that as a problem. Chris said that the mall in Brunswick has been abandoned by all but one store. Don said that he will try to make a trip down to Savannah Mall to see what may be available. He said that there are only Target and Bass Pro that are still there. Don said that the problem with anything near the mall was that the parking lots are being used for container storage.

Don asked that if anyone has any suggestions within an hour drive of Savannah, please let Kenny know offline. Then we can check the various sites out for compatibility. Don said the SCCA has a division that might be able to help and he will forward that information to Kenny. Don thanked Kenny for all he does.

JAX SOLO- Craig couldn't join us tonight. Don didn't contact him before the meeting. Don gave a rundown of how the Jax Solo is doing and said he will go back to Craig if he comes on the call. He said that Craig is working with their team selling souvenirs and t-shirts to raise money for their equipment. He is doing a great job.

TRACK MANAGER REPORT- Jack began saying that it had been a long month with so many moving parts! But it all came together to open on June 1st with Bob Woodman's Grand Opening and ribbon cutting. The remarks from everyone is that they love the new track—it's fast and smooth. He said a new lap time was set in the Peachtree BMW race this past weekend of 1:13:606. He said there was around 3 ½ inches of rain in the past week so the grass has taken off growing. We are trying to keep up! Jack then gave the Bank balances which included the April transfer of \$19,612.93 and \$3130 in donations to the re-paving fund(MM).

Bob asked if the track was holding up. Jack replied that he had done a track inspection yesterday and found that at turn 2, at the low part of the track, he saw a little graveling. He called APAC at 6:30 this morning and they came out. Don was there with me with APAC. APAC said for us to keep an eye on it and they will research on their end. Jack said the temperature of the pavement has been 140-145*. Chris asked if anyone had used the Chicane yet and Jack replied not yet. There is a test and tune tomorrow morning and they may use it.

Nona forwarded the Balance Sheet and P&L to everyone. Don pointed out that Jack had paid some of the paving costs out of the track account. Jack said he paid for the rumble strip labor, the concrete for the rumble strips and Bob Bernard's costs.

TREASURER- Chris gave the bank balances and explained the expenses that need to be paid. He said we are in good shape. Bob asked when we must pay SEDIV back. Don said we basically pay 20% each year with no interest for 5 years. Chris asked if there were any questions? There were none.

RACE CHAIR REPORT- Don said we don't have any events scheduled but we have our Mid-summer meeting coming up. Don asked if we want to add a third event. He asked for discussion on that. Bob said we need to make sure what we want to do so that we can present it at the mid-summer event.

Bill asked that before we discuss future events, he would like to talk about the Jim Stark. Bill said the Jim Stark needs to remain exactly where and how it is. It was a success. Last year we had 101 cars and this year we had 118. The profit from the Jim Stark was \$ 24,771—up \$4600 from last year. Why was the year better? Bill feels that the advertising and adjustments to run groups has bearing. We advertised with Grass Roots Motorsports and a lot of targeted email advertising. He said we adjusted the run groups which had an impact.

Procedurally this race was an extension of our new radio procedures and we continued to improve. We received a glowing Observer's report. The Safety report had a few more improvement to be made. The schedule worked very well. We finished early on Saturday and finished on time on Sunday—even with a 1 hour and 20 min track cleaning. Whatever we do—DON'T MESS WITH THE JIM STARK.

Don asked if there were any questions? Bob said not for Bill, but he said he is on the committee created by SEDIV for multichannel communications initiatives and RRR was the pilot for the project. We started with two channels, then tried three which didn't work. We are a two-channel track. Don thanked Bob for the information.

Don made the following recommendation for a third event for RRR. He said the challenge is to find a spot between August and October that will fit into RRR schedule and the SEDIV schedule. There are some possibilities with PBIR closing. Bill suggested we discuss that with Mike Finn at the track for the SEDIV event. Jack asked about the November date—would it be the November 11-13, 2023 date? Don said he will have to look at the current SEDIV calendar. He said it the Time Trials at CMP, which is close to us. He said it's a complicated issue. Jack said that they are planning to send contracts out soon and need to be sure beforehand. Don said he will get in contact with a few people to get some clarifications on dates.

Harvey said he still wonders if we could make the DBL SARRC MAJOR a shared event. Don said that he has asked that question, too. Bill gave the history of the majors--- they were called Nationals. Bill does not believe that we will get that date back. He feels that it's probably a SEDIV date at this point.

Bill said we should shoot for mid-September or November 11-13. It's too hot in August. Bill said that as far as the early 2023 events, they are traditional dates and do well because of that. Don said that we could propose a partnership with South Carolina for that weekend. We could entertain moving it to RRR and making it a combination time trials and road race. We could have a single SARRC and Time Trials weekend. Chris and Bill said that was a good idea. Don said it is definitely worth a discussion.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Repaving- Chris asked if we could get a motion for the BOD to approve payment of the check to APAC. Don displayed the invoice from APAC. He asked for a motion. Bob made a motion to pay the Invoice, Bill seconded the motion. Harvey asked if Don and Jack felt confident that APAC would repair anything if needed. Don assured that APAC will complete anything as needed. Nona called roll of present members for vote. There were five Yeas—motion passes.

Meeting adjourned 7:56 pm

