

ARPCA BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

September 9, 2021

Blackout Tinting, Gibsonia

Call to Order: ED Rice, 7:10 PM

In attendance: Ed Rice, Gus Vasilakis, Tom Uehling, Tim Gustafson, Larry Sachs, Jay Malobicky, Lisa Malobicky, Rob Windsor, Marty Smith, Tom Mueller, Matt Wimer, Linda Scanlon, Ernest Anderson, Roger Yokel, Josh Loberant (Josh Fastik)

Meeting opened with introductions of our meeting host. Josh Poponick, owner of Blackout Tinting. Josh talked about the upcoming opening of their second location in Gibsonia. First location is in Latrobe. Josh introduced the General Manager of the new location, Luke Crawford. Blackout is the biggest Xpel provider in PA. They are offering 10% off for ARPCA members through October. They also have climate controlled long term storage capabilities. Josh is open to hosting future events with the spacious building they have. See the website at www.blackoutempire.com

Ed requested a motion to approve the June business meeting. Motion made by Gus V. and seconded by Larry S. Motion approved.

Financial Update: Tom Uehling passed out the financials breakout by activity. This prompted discussions of various expenses and possible ways to control costs. Tom reported on the PVGP numbers. Our contribution to the charities totals \$13,000 for 2021.

Membership: Terri Mattock was unable to attend but submitted her report beforehand. There are 10 new members with one of them attending the meeting, Josh Loberant. There is 1 transfer from Central Wisconsin. Total primary members: 836, affiliate members: 482, total members: 1,318. There are 5 test drive participants and 38 PCA Juniors. August had 43 anniversaries of 5 years or more and 31 anniversaries of less than 5 years. Special mention of our 60-year anniversary for member **Diane Leppert**. Congratulations!!

HPDE update: There were no reportable incidents during July track days. This continues the string of “completely safe” events starting in 2019. Several “new-to-the-track” drivers.

The next event will be October 30 weekend. Registration is now open. The committee is currently pursuing potential track dates for 2022 with both Mid-Ohio and Watkins Glen.

Social: Lisa reported the next event is at The Lot, Cars and Coffee, September 18. The last one for the year. John Keith, The Lot Owner, apologized for recent poor service. The pandemic related short-staff problem promoted the following guidelines. 1) from 8:00 to 8:30 there will be general seating. 2) After 8:30, please have the hostess seat you. This will allow better control of who is seated at the tables at a given time. 3) there will be a self-serve coffee Urn to minimize load on servers. Please leave a donation to cover the costs.

The Holiday Party is scheduled for November 20 at the Grand Concourse. 5:00 to 9:00 PM. We will be seated in the main dining hall.

The New Member dinner is in the works and tentatively planned for the Willows Restaurant on Camp Horn Rd. More information to come.

Jay questioned the interest for an October Car Cruise.

PVGP: Jay reported a total of 170 cars for the weekend. 16 cars were walk-ons. Jim Mullet sponsored 2 tables for the Black-tie event which made a significant increase in bottom line contribution. Thanks Jim.

Porsche Touring Crew: Tom Mueller reported a growing group for the PTC. There were 30 participants in August at Jon Bonnet Tavern. Several members followed lunch with a visit to Jennerstown Raceway and some track time. Special thanks to Jeff Carey for setting up the tour. Next event September 28 at Nevillewood country Club. Ed thanked Tom and Wayne for the great work they do in promoting the club through these lunches.

Communications: Larry Sachs reported that the October Rundschau will be late due to late submittals. Larry's extreme frustration was evident. Ed Rice took some of the blame as he was under the gun to get the new election slate published in the October issue. Ed followed up stating that all responsible for article submission MUST prioritize deadlines and be responsible for timely reporting. Larry also stated that he rarely gets "Event Notifications" on time to be entered into the events calendar on time. He urges all committee personal to keep current with their events announcements.

Michael Skowvron submitted a report via email. He reports a reliability issue with our current web host, Go Daddy, and is planning on switching hosts after our Nov. 30 contract expires. He will transition to SiteGround Hosting.

Shawn Cressler reports problems trying to upload content to the website. Michael seems to know what the problem is and is working on corrections.

Four Door Group: Tim Glace was not present and nothing was reported.

ARPCA Women's Group: Linda Scanlon reported that E-mail Blasts work well for the Women's Group. The group is considering a cocktail party event at an Art Gallery in November. They are also reviewing having t-shirts made available through Two-Eight Printing.

Election Slate: Ed rice reported on an established succession plan that we try to follow when possible. The plan is for the secretary to move to VP and the VP to move to president. The secretary position is canvased and the treasurer position is maintained for continuity purposes. A nomination committee was formed with Scott Ishler as chairman and committee members Rob Windsor and Donna Bell. The committee nominated the following: President-Gus Vasilakis, VP-Drake Core, Treasurer-Tom Uehling, Secretary-Tim Gustafson. Bio/pictures will be published in the October *Rundschau*. Ed reminded all that any active member is eligible to run for any office and can ask to be nominated. Ed also suggested the Women's Group could be a good incubator for future leadership positions.

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: A) Member Ed Ponzak asked about a possible member contact list. There is no such list maintained for privacy reasons. Some suggestions included a Club Forum as a place to discuss various issues or possibly a Club Resource list where individuals could be assigned to be the "Resource Guy/Gal" for particular topics of interest.

B) Gus V. reminded us that as Marque Car for 2022 PVGP, we will be expected to make a significant contribution to the charities. We should be thinking of creative ways to make some money much like the commemorative watch sold the last time we were marque. Gus asked for suggestions.

Next meeting: October 14 to be held at Sewickley Porsche.

Motion to adjourn by Larry Sachs and seconded by Jay Malobicky.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM

Submitted by Tim Gustafson