

Mid-West Corvettes, Inc.
Secretary's Report
February 8, 2011

President Randy Huber called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Rosie Meyer announced she was sending around a Cabin Fever Night sign-up sheet. Please sign and let them know if you are bringing chili or soup, would like to volunteer, planning on attending or bringing a guest(s)

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the January meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Gary Orr was not present. Randy Huber read his report on interest earned and the account balance.

Governor's Report: Ron Myers reported the board met on January 26 to review the SOP's, By-Laws and the Constitution and reviewed the calendar of events for the year. He reported the NCCC has a new certificate of insurance. MWC Rally is scheduled for April 10th and is on the MWC website as well as NCCC and the information was also sent to the Cedar Rapids Corvette Club. More information to follow next month and we will also have sign-up sheets for the event. The Low Speed event has been moved to the date of August 21st. NCCC has approved and also the airport location where it will be held. The Timing will be done by the Northern Club again this year.

Membership: Mark Hermann reported he had new membership cards to be picked up tonight. He also thanked Amber Koppen again for her organization which has helped him with a smooth transition of information. Mark and the membership committee recommended that "new members" will be identified on the membership list in bold and will be identified as such for one year. A sample sheet was passed around. Also passed around was a sample spreadsheet which will encourage members to share optional information such as hobbies and interests and employment to help members get acquainted and also network. Also the committee is encouraging the sharing of cell phone numbers for a members list that will easily fold and go into your glove box. This list will contain members name, Corvette information and plate as well as cell #'s to use during drive outs. A list was sent around to sign with any updated or missing information. A new membership packet will be put together which will included the By-Laws, Event information, and membership list.

Randy thanked Mark for all his work.

Social: Al Fiscus mentioned the Cabin Fever Night Social coming up on the 26th of February. Walt Nenycz presented the details - Doors open at 4:00pm. A \$5.00 per person cover charge. There will be a competition for the best Soup or Chili. If you would like to enter please contact Rosie Meyer or Cindy Johnson. There will be awards in both categories. The judging begins at 5:00 and dinner is at 6:00. There will also be a chili dump, so bring your chili even if you don't want to enter the competition. This is a

special fund raiser for one of our own. Proceeds will go to help with medical bills for Ethan Sierens, Grandson of Randy and Barb Wlaskolich. Ethan has DiGeorge syndrome and will require many surgeries. Walt Nenycz will be the DJ. Bring a guest to share in the food and fun.

There will be a New Member Orientation Social at the Huber's on March 19th. This will include the board members and new members in 2010. They will cover the events and opportunities to get involved with the club. An invitation will be sent out soon. We would like to make this an annual event to help familiarize new members to the club's events.

A motion was made to pay the Huber's \$75.00 for the social and the motion carried.

There will be a social on June 11th hosted by Bruce & Shelia Petty and Bob and Terry Sierens.

Roger Koppen asked if the events that are updated or new to the calendar be highlighted or noted somehow on the website. Al will talk to John Earnest about it.

Mark Hermann is planning a trip to Decorah in May. It will be a 3 day trip over Memorial Day weekend please let him know if you would like to go.

Speed: Kenny Anderson reported the Rally route for April is completed with a great ending spot. Mark Hermann mentioned the roads on this route are gorgeous and that Kenny has done an excellent job. Please get the word out, our goal is to have 50 cars participating. We will promote to Chicago, Cedar Rapids and Galesburg clubs as well as post on NCCC website.

Charity: Cindy Johnson held 2 - 50/50 drawings.

Cindy asked that the social money for the February be used towards Cabin Fever Night and she also asked for funds to provide gifts for the Cabin Fever Night as well as funds for Chuck & Kathy Sellevold's Granddaughter who has Leukemia.

All funds were approved.

Cindy also asked if we needed extra extension cords and power strips at the Izaak Walton League and it was determined there were plenty to use there.

Webmaster: No report

Car Show: Randy Wlaskolich mentioned the Milan American Legion would like us to have a car show there this summer. Don VanDeWoestyne suggested we get Chad involved and they will pick a date.

Publicity: No report.

Historian: No report

Parade: No report.

Quartermaster: Scott reported he has the online store up and running and has gotten his first order through it and it worked well.

Sunshine: Terry reported she sent out birthday and anniversary cards and a Thank you to Rosie Meyer for the banquet. Randy also thanked Rosie and Denny.

Communications Committee: Don VanDeWoestyne reported the committee recommends we start using two way radios for communications on drive outs. They are simpler to use, clearer, and have other uses. They recommend Midland and Motorola brands with the highest mile rating you can find. Make sure they are capable of FRS and GMRS channels. That gives them the ability to accept privacy codes. Ear and microphone options are also good options to purchase. We will use channel 3 and not use privacy codes to start out. This will enable older hand radios to work with the new ones. They also had recommendations on how to get the most distance out of your radio and discussed drive out rules. The new drive out standards will be added to our SOP's. (The full report is attached at the end of the minutes.) It was also suggested that the Communications Committee hold a 2 way radio seminar either before or after the April Business meeting. Don will work out the details with the committee.

Old Business: Cindy Johnson mentioned to bring your losing 50/50 tickets to the Cabin Fever Night.

Randy Huber mentioned the change to the constitution regarding membership had been tabled at the January business meeting for further review. An amended Article was sent to the membership committee, who made recommendations and the final draft was reviewed and approved by the board. These are the proposed changes to Article III – Membership, as read by secretary, Jane Huber:

Article III – Membership

A. General membership

1. Any corvette owner, and their spouse or significant other, may become a member upon written application to a board member, payment of dues and meeting the requirements as herein set forth.
2. Each prospective member will be required to attend at least one MWC sponsored event, business meeting or social event to apply for membership. Application may occur at first attended event or meeting.

Note: Approval of the changes in the above article will be voted on by the attending membership at the March MWCC business meeting.

New Business: Randy Huber presented Kenny Anderson with the Male Racer of the Year Award and Al Durbin with the Shower of the Year award.

Randy and Jane will not be at the March meeting. Vice President Howard Lohf will facilitate the March MWCC business meeting and Sandy Paskvan will record the minutes.

Mark Hermann reminded everyone to pick up their membership cards.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:57. Motion carried.

Randy invited everyone to City Limits.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Huber, Secretary

**MEETINGS ARE HELD AT 7:00 P.M. ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF
THE MONTH.**

Radio Communications Committee Recommendations

To all club members.

Your radio communication committee members are, Waldo Arnholz, Tom Erps, John Earnest, Howard Lohf, Al Fiscus, Denny Meyer, Jill Robins, Don Vandewoestyne, Walt Zachmeyer, Randy Carlz, and, Bill Morrissey..

These are the January 18th. meeting notes.

We will not tell you what hand held radio to buy, but we will suggest Midland GXT1000 and Motorola MR350 brands. Buy the highest mile rating you can find, and make sure they are capable of FRS, and GMRS channels. That gives them the ability to accept privacy codes. Ear and Microphone options are also a good option.

We will use channel 3, and not use privacy codes to start out. This will enable older hand radios to work with the new ones.

This is a list of ways to get more distance from your hand held radio.

- A) Keep your radio fully charged.
- B) Make sure your radio is on High power.
- C) Keep your radio placed high in the car, on the visor, on the dash, or in your shirt or jacket pocket. Not in the cup holder..

To improve your ability to hear the messages, especially with the top down.

- A) Keep your volume on high.
- B) Use both radios, on the visors, stereo.

C) Use the optional ear pieces.

We will also cover Drive out rules, and procedures.

This will keep us safe, and keep us from getting lost and frustrated.

- 1) Every car needs a hand held 2 way radio. If you do not have one, borrow one from another member..
- 2) Use your radio for road communication only. Use your cell phone for to chat with friends.
- 3) On drive outs with more than 10 cars, we will pass road messages to the center car and then to the back.
- 4) On drive outs every car is responsible to keep up with the car in front of them. But you must use common sense and drive safely.
- 5) Every car is also responsible for the car behind them, if you make a turn, make sure the car behind you sees you, or wait for them.

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