

## Meeting Minutes: 10/1 – 10/31/2016

Approved : 11/10/2016

### Summary of Motions:

Date:	Motion	Vote	File #
4/21/2016	<b>that the Central New England Chapter be approved to make, and sell through the Bugle, static cling decals of the BCA Logo</b>	Passed	2015 2016-26
6/28/2016	<b>to donate the collection of Bugles that were given to us to the BHA with no stipulation on how they can be used. There will be no income to the BCA and no kind of accounting. John will provide and email to Jeff (or letter) stating that these Bugles are theirs, they are responsible for storage, and the can do what they want with them.</b>	Tabled	2015 2016-35
10/11/2016	<b>To approve the September Meeting Minutes</b>	Passed	2016 2017-6
10/25/2016	<b>To publish the Orange County Chapter Buick Bugle Index of Featured Articles, on the BCA web page</b>	Pending	2016 2017-7

### Unresolved Business:

4/19: Motion by J.De Fiore; To approve Central New England Chapter requests for Logo use, and a Chapter Project to sell static cling decals of the BCA Logo. Assigned motion # 2015 2016-26

4/21: Motion amended to: that the Central New England Chapter be approved to make, and sell through the Bugle, static cling decals of the BCA Logo

4/23: Motion by E. DePouli : that we table the static cling decal motion until July 1, 2016. Assigned motion # 2015 2016-27, Motion passed.

7/15: Due to reported inability to contact the San Gabriel Chapter directly, it was suggested that a certified, return receipt letter be sent to the Chapter , with a copy to the Regional coordinator, allowing them 30 days to respond with outlined improvements or decision to end the project. Failure to respond would be considered a decision to end their Chapter Project.

7/29: Motion: To send final letter to San Gabriel Chapter requiring a response in 30 days with planned improvements or desire to end project. Letter to be sent by the Office but signed by the President. Assigned Motion # 2015 2016 41, Passed.

8/18: Letter sent to San Gabriel Valley Chapter.

**9/24 : San Gabriel Valley Chapter has not responded to the letter. It's been approximately 44 days since the letter was sent, and signed for.**

**9/25: Motion to take from the table by J. DeFiore , 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Safrit. Discussion reopened: At this point there appears to be no reason to uphold the CNE request. If the motion passes then it's recommended; that a letter to be sent to SGV Chapter advising the approval for their Chapter Project has been withdrawn.**

**9/28: Voting opened.**

**10/1: Vote closed, Motion Passed. Item closed.**

6/8: Received request from the BHA, for BCA approval to scan, index, and sell Buick Bugles. Helen Hutchings (former President of the BCA) donated a complete set of Buick Bugles starting in 1966, and the BHA seeks to scan these, ad them to their index of Bugles, and then offer them for sale as a complete set. President Clark advised the board would take this up as soon as the Motion on the floor was completed.

6/24: Motion by J. De Fiore to approve the BHA request, subject to several conditions which included restricting the project to Bugles more than 12 months old, in order to protect the North Texas Chapter's Bugle Sales project, and some compensation for the first 24 months of sales of the index.

6/28: J. De Fiore withdrew the Motion due to no second.

6/28: B. Stoneberg writes in support of approving the request with no conditions. E. De Pouli agrees as long as we are not impacting a Chapter's Project. E. De Pouli makes the Motion: to donate the collection of Bugles that were given to us to the BHA with no stipulation on how they can be used. There will be no income to the BCA and no kind of accounting. John will provide and email to Jeff (or letter) stating that these Bugles are theirs, they are responsible for storage, and they can do what they want with them. : assigned # 2015 2016-35  
 7/10: Motion by E. De Pouli : we table my motion regarding the BHA pending the outcome of the discussions between BHA and Texas Chapter. Assigned motion # 2015 2016- 36, Motion Passed.

**8/23: Update received from BHA. May have link to a company who will handle scanning process.**

7/29: 2016-7 Budget approval: Due to working with new accountant, the budget is delayed. However it is basically the same with increased amounts for the Insurance and Bugle. Gross Income was \$390,000 for last year. Slight decrease from previous year of \$440,000. The Budget will be delivered ASAP .

**10/19: Budget is not yet prepared, but is being worked on.**

8/4: Motion by E. De Pouli: that effective the 2017 Board of Directors Meeting, that the maximum travel allowance for members of the Board of Directors be increased from the present limit of \$500.00 to \$700.00 assigned #2016 2017-1: Passed

B. Stoneberg objects to spending Member's money on reimbursement for officer's expenses. Many officers would be at the National Meet anyway. Other discussion centers on: the increased costs to travel to the Meets, and the gap of 9 years since the last increase in expense reimbursement amount.

8/10: Vote Closed, Motion Passed.

**9/6: Point of Order called by President Clark. Changes to BCA governing documents cannot be made till notice is posted in the Bugle. Therefore, motion # 2016 2017-1 will serve as the Boards approval of the issue only, and a final vote on approving the change will be held after the notice is published.**

**9/15: Straw Poll opened to clarify who is eligible for the increased travel allowance. Results indicate; everyone as per SOP #1 is to be eligible for the increased allowance. Bugle notice drafted and no objections received.**

8/13: Inquiry regarding what our insurance needs are, to cover racing activities of the Buick Performance Division (BPD) Director Ryder indicates in the past the BPG rented a track for an exclusive day of racing. Liability insurance was secured. The event generally cost 30K, in total, to host and returned an 8K profit. However, exclusive Buick Only racing events are not critical to the BPD. In general we need to determine the liability to the BCA and BPD if we promote any form of racing, even if the participants then go to a regular track and pay the track's admittance fee? Also what liability may exist if there is a fee from the Club for the event? The Office was asked to approach our current insurer and lawyer for advice.

**9/14: The Office indicates opinions received from the inquiry. Both opinions trend towards added BCA exposure to liability, if the National, or any Division thereof, organized a racing event. While liability is not a given, two likely outcomes are loss of insurance carrier and legal fees to defend the Club. It is suggested that a committee be established to research further alternatives. Alan Oldfield volunteered to look into the alternatives, since we know other clubs accomplish this. Terry Wiegand advises against pursuing any racing agenda. Ed De Pouli suggests we need to keep developing ideas until something is proposed for a vote.**

#### **New Business:**

**10/4: Motion by L. Di Barry: to approve the September Meeting Minutes: assigned Motion # 2016 2017-6**

10/12: Vote Closed, Motion passed.

**10/4: Received a complete listing of BCA Bugle Feature articles, through August 2016, from Larry Wangerin, Chapter Historian of the Orange County Chapter BCA. This was a Chapter Project by many members of the Orange County Chapter. Some discussion on how to share the information, but no decision made. Certificate of Appreciation sent.**

**10/12: Inquiry from the BCA Office as to the desire for extra copies of the November Bugle. Discussion results in the appropriation of approximately \$1,600 to print an extra 1000 copies.**

**10/21: Received Hershey Report from Wray Kniffin, BCA # 20633, copy attached. Certificates of Appreciation will be sent.**

**10/25: The office received a letter of dissolution , from the Philadelphia 76 Chapter. Letter attached.**

**10/25: Motion by J. De Fiore: To publish the Orange County Chapter Buick Bugle Index of Featured Articles, on the BCA web page. Assigned Motion # 2016 2017-7**

**NOTICES:**

**10/1: Members are reminded to review and update their BCA information in preparation for the new Roster. Changes need to be made by December 31<sup>st</sup> 2016. The date has been changed from last month, where I inadvertently typed 2015 as the cut off date.**

Recording Secretary : John C. De Fiore 2016/2017

# BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA

## INTERNET MOTION RESULTS

<b>Date Published : DRAFT</b>			<b>File #: 2016/2017-6</b>		
<b>Motion</b>	<b>To approve the September 2016 Meeting Minutes</b>				
<b>By:</b>	<b>L. Di Barry</b>	<b>10/4/2016</b>	<b>2nd:</b>	<b>R. Safrit</b>	<b>10/5/2016</b>
<b>Discussion notes:</b>					

VOTING	YES	NO	Abstain ( ABS) / No Vote Cast (NVC)	Date Voting Opened 10/7/2016
Brian Clark Pres.				Date voting Closed 11/8/2016
Alan Oldfield VP	X			
Edward DePouli	X			Date Approved by BOD 11/10/2016
Larry DiBarry	X			
Robert Safrit	X			NVC
Dick Sweeney	X			
Rick Schick				
Terry Wiegand	X			
John De Fiore	X			
John Steed-C.Judge				Judging Issues Only
Bill Stoneberg-CFO				Financial Issues Only
Buick Club Office				

John C. De Fiore: Recording Secretary

# BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA

## INTERNET MOTION RESULTS

<b>Date Published : 11/10/2016</b>			<b>File #: 2015/2016-26</b>		
<b>Motion Amended</b>	<b>that the Central New England Chapter be approved to make, and sell through the Bugle, static cling decals of the BCA Logo</b>				
<b>Original :</b>	<b>J. De Fiore</b>	<b>4/19/2016</b>	<b>2nd:</b>	<b>D. Sweeney</b>	<b>4/19/2016</b>
<b>Amended:</b>	<b>J. De Fiore</b>	<b>4/21/2016</b>		<b>C. Kerls</b>	<b>4/21/2016</b>

**Discussion notes:** On 4/19, C. Kerls asked to include the Wheatbelt Chapter's request for a Chapter Project to make and sell 12 inch diameter static cling decals for trailers. With further discussion it was determined that all chapters have permission to use the BCA logo on membership applications, business cards and letterhead. Therefore the Motion was amended as follows:  
 from : To approve Central New England Chapter requests for Logo use, and a Chapter Project to sell static cling decals of the BCA Logo.  
 To: that the Central New England Chapter be approved to make, and sell through the Bugle, static cling decals of the BCA Logo.

The issue of the Chapter Projects is contentious. Traditionally, chapter projects that overlap have not been approved. The CNE Chapter Project request stems from allegations that the current Chapter has occasionally been unresponsive. In addition, the West Michigan Chapter has had BOD approval for larger static cling decals for trailers. With concerns expressed that all Chapters with projects should have a chance to address any problems or issues before losing the approval, Motion #2015 2016-27 was approved to lay this on the table till July 1<sup>st</sup>. Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, Motion to take from the table by J. DeFiore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Safrit. It's been 44 days since the final notice was sent to San Gabriel Valley Chapter, certified mail with return receipt. No response has been received from San Gabriel Valley. At this point there appears to be no reason to approve the CNE Chapter's request. With no further discussion, voting opened 9/28.

Voting Closed 10/1/2016: Motion Passed

VOTING	YES	NO	Abstain ( ABS) / No Vote Cast (NVC)	Date Voting Opened 9/28/2016
Brian Clark Pres.				Date voting Closed 10/1/2016
Alan Oldfield	X			
Edward DePouli	X			Date Approved by BOD 11/10/2016
Larry Di Barry	X			
Dick Sweeney	X			
Robert Safrit	X			NVC
Rick Schick				
Terry Wiegand	X			
John De Fiore	X			
John Steed-C.Judge				Judging Issues Only
Bill Stoneberg-CFO				Financial Issues Only
Buick Club Office				

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# FINGER LAKES CHAPTER



*BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA*

510 Adams Road  
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October 12, 2016

Board of Directors  
Buick Club of America  
P.O. Box 360775  
Columbus, OH 43236-0775

Subject: The BCA at Hershey, 2016

Dear Board Members,

This report covers the activities of the BCA's hospitality tent at the AACA's National Fall Meet in Hershey, PA. Tuesday, October 4 through Saturday, October 8, 2016. This was another good year, in that we were busy much of the time thanks to very nice weather through Friday. A prediction of rain on Saturday encouraged some vendors to leave Friday afternoon slowing remaining flea market activities. We chose not to open on Saturday because of the light rain and our judging duties, and because most visitors' attentions were drawn to the large spectacular AACA national car show despite the rain.

This was our eleventh year on our site in the 'Green' fleamarket field, spaces GBK 35-37, near the Giant Center sports arena. Arrangement of tent furnishings and club banners were essentially the same as in previous years, with our sign-in table in the center front of the tent, and visitor seats located around the inside walls. Vehicle access to the site for unloading and loading continued to be convenient and easy. We brought the tent furnishings and materials from home on Tuesday, and were all set up ready for business later that afternoon. Our second visitor as we were opening was a member from New Zealand. We were pleased to meet member BCA #42 from California who also came by.

Beginning Wednesday morning after we opened, there was a steady flow of BCA members, potential members and interested persons visiting the tent, and we were quite busy at times. Unlike the past several years, there seemed to be a somewhat decrease in the amount of flea market traffic. Through the entire event, over 164 BCA members from around the country and world stopped by and signed in. Visitors included members from 38 states, Puerto Rico, 2 Canadian provinces and 5 foreign countries, not counting the numerous non-member visitors from the US and overseas. Among the visitors were other BCA members from Sweden, Norway and Australia. The sign-in sheets are being forwarded to the BCA Office and should be available for your review. A few photos of this year's tent activities were taken.

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Overall, 9 persons applied for new memberships, and 20 current members renewed their memberships. We took in a total of \$1715.00 from all transactions. All completed applications, with accompanying funds, have been mailed to the Office. A number of other applications, marked with "Hershey 2016" were taken away by visitors, hopefully to be sent to the Office separately. We understand that the Office will keep a record of them to complete the story of this year's tent activities which we hope will be shared. Any concerns about the current dues schedule seemed to be dispelled when it was explained that new members would receive 12 monthly issues of THE BUICK BUGLE in a year's time. The optional \$35.00 "E" membership was also well received.

A supply of recent issues of THE BUICK BUGLE, and some leftover Buick pens were on hand for distribution. Although requested, we did not receive any other Buick related promotional items, nor did we receive any pass-out literature covering details of next year's Brookfield, WI national meet. Available materials were passed out to new members, foreign visitors and to others inquiring about the club. BHA information was on hand and displayed. A list showing locations of known Buick parts vendors in the flea market was available, and as always, very well received. Our trademark '67 Buick wheel cover cookie and candy trays needed to be refilled constantly.

In addition to the above items to give away, we are proud to say that we and our staff were responsible for dispensing lots and lots of good will, by far our most important service.

The following is a list of members who generously contributed their time as volunteer staffers:

Jerry & Sherry Root	11860	NY	Ed DePouli	8926	NC
John Steed	8071	IN	Brian DePouli	8927	NC
Burt Rolland	34221	IN	Bob Safrit	4388	NC
Don Holton	3808	NY	Jack Hansen	15792	IN
Pete Phillips	7338	TX	Al McMichael	10441	NJ
Charles Kuhn	46702	IL	Pete Jolly	47422	IN
and Ron DeGross, 6457, NY (my partner and fellow organizer)					

I would again request that the Board consider some form of recognition for their service. Some have worked at the tent each Hershey for many years.

Many thanks to members, Bob Safrit (NC) and Jack Hansen (IN), and the Minuteman and Niagara Frontier Chapters for their generous contributions to help defray expenses for refreshments, telephone and copying. Thanks, also, to our ladies who baked all the cookies that our visitors enjoyed.

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With your approval, I will be glad to make the necessary arrangements with the Hershey Region, AACA, and the tent rental company for the 2017 meet. I will also arrange for the staffing, as well. No significant changes in tent operations are anticipated.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wray Kniffin". The signature is written in black ink and is centered on the page.

Wray B. Kniffin, BCA 20633



October 19, 2016

Buick Club of America  
P.O. Box 360775  
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Dear Mike and Nancy Book,

I am sorry to inform you of the passing of our long time Director of the "Philadelphia 76 Chapter", Mr. Joseph Walker #11459. He has been the chapter director for the past 30 years. He has had several health problems over the past few years.

Over the past few years our members have become older and our membership has declined. The remaining members have decided to disband the "Philadelphia 76 Chapter". We will no longer be an active chapter.

In it's heyday, the Philadelphia 76 Chapter" has had many memorable events. We would have two "all Buick" car shows every year. One in the spring and one in the fall, and we had support from several Buick dealers in the area. Also in the fall season we would have a ramble to some historic location in the area. We also had a club picnic every summer. Many of the club members have passed away and others have sold their Buicks, leaving only a few remaining members who still meet once each month.

Please accept this letter as our official notice of our decision. There is not a Regional and Chapter Coordinator listed on the Buickclub.org website so we request that you notify the appropriate officials of the club.

Any future correspondence can be sent to:

Vincent L. Cimino,  
3627 Berkley Rd.  
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Assistant Director



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