

BCA BOD Teleconference of 2/17/2021

All members in attendance along with Pete Phillips and Pat Wojahn

Secretary Report. Jack moved for previously sent out minutes for teleconference of 1/21/2021.

2nd by Mike

Motion was approved 8 – 0

Treasurer report. Jerry previously sent out the financial statement. This financial statement does not include National Meet data. Jerry expects that this data will be provided by next month's meeting.

Jerry moved to accept financial report. 2nd by Larry

Motion was approved 8 – 0

This statement will be posted on BCA web site.

SOP committee John Mike has rewritten SOP 29. This SOP deals with the Centennial award. Mike has previously sent out the revised SOP to the BOD. The intent of the Centennial award was to create a certificate, and a medallion to be given to owners of Buick automobiles that were 100 years old, and were shown at a National meet. There has been a low participation of Centennial automobiles at National Meets, so a termination date of 2023, following that National Meet has been set.

A future BOD at that time may elect to modify that date.

The BCA President, at his sole discretion, can issue a Centennial award to an owner of any 100 year old Buick, whether the car has been shown at a National meet or not, upon application by that owner

Larry indicated that he feels this award should be sent out to all 100-year-old Buicks whether they attend a National Meet or not.

Jack moved to approve the rewritten SOP. Jerry 2nd

Motion was approved 7 – 1

Candidate Procedure Committee. Pete has indicated that we have four candidates for three positions on the upcoming BOD. We have three incumbents

and one new applicant. The candidates are John Steed, Larry Schramm, Jack Welch and Rick Perch.

Our CPA will count the ballots.

Jack asked that the NMC report be moved up on the agenda.

Pat has sent out information for both meets. That information was compiled and provided by Heather Banhidy, Marck Barker and Brian Depouli.

The NMC is still awaiting a response from the hotels on a request of updated information under the current Covid restrictions. The NMC will meet and provide a recommendation to the BOD regarding how we should proceed with the upcoming National Meets.

Jack had mentioned that President has issued a report that normal day to day operations in the US may not occur until around Christmas time.

Jack moved to cancel the National Meets pending a recommendation to the contrary from the NMC.

2nd by Rick

Larry asked about the results of the questionnaire that had been sent out.

Approximately six hundred responses came back and most indicated that if tours and the banquet had to be cancelled, they would still come, but if there was not a hospitality room, they probably would not come.

In general, there were more positive responses, than negative responses.

Pat indicated that the potential loss of revenue to the BCA at Strongsville would be in the order of ninety-two thousand, but that would be reduced to forty-six thousand, if the meet were cancelled by March 11. The potential loss of revenue to the BCA at Concord NC would be one hundred twenty-five thousand, and that would be reduced to sixty-two thousand if the meet were canceled by March 28. It was projected, that under any circumstances, the National Meets could not be expected to generate a profit.

Both hotels are currently open and doing business.

All tours in Cleveland have already been cancelled by the tour companies. That would mean a smaller meet and far less room nights being booked. It may be possible to hold a smaller meet in Strongsville with a small loss.

Concord is a much more difficult scenario. The number of room nights currently booked there is much smaller than the last time we held our National there. The potential for a significant loss there is greater and it will be a challenge. The NMC will discuss the possibility of cancelling Concord for that reason.

Sid mentioned that the protocol when you have a committee is to let the committee (the NMC) vote.

Melanie introduced her husband Rob, who is acting as a legal advisor to the BOD. Rob indicated that the force majeure clause at Strongsville is OK, but the one for the Concord contract is not as strong. It would have to be impossible for the BCA to hold a meet, before the force majeure would kick in. In his opinion, we do not have a strong position to prove that.

Pat has run several different scenarios for the NMNC to consider. Heather is in the process of trying to negotiate with the hotel at Strongsville due to the tour cancellations and an anticipated much smaller meet.

Concord poses a large financial risk, whether we cancel or go forward. We have not had a response from that hotel yet regarding a revised contract. Many options are being considered by the NMC.

Rob mentioned that every day, we put off a decision, the potential cost implications rise. From a legal perspective we need to have a quick decision.

Currently we have 50 registrants for Strongsville and 25 registrations for Concord.

Bob indicated that the AACA has cancelled swap meet at Concord, but a car show is still planned for the hotel, so that may hurt our position going forward.

Rob indicated that if we decide to cancel the Concord meet, we would send a letter to the hotel indicating our reason for cancelling is due to the Covid virus. We would outline all of our reasons in that letter. It would be a positive letter indicating the possibility of a meet at a later date.

The current CDC and State restrictions were discussed for both North Carolina and Ohio.

Jerry discussed the liability of the BCA and the directors and indicated that the signing of a waiver by attendees may be required if we decide to proceed.

Rob indicated that the strength of a waiver is not bulletproof, but it is still a good idea.

Any law suite would probably involve directors as well as the BCA. WE would also have to have proof of adherence to all CDC regulations as well as State regulations.

The BOD discussed the effect of meet cancellation would have on our membership. Many members belong to the BCA, just so that they can attend our National Meets. The National Meets is a major component of who we are as a Club.

Pat indicated that she believes we can have a safe National meet.

The BOD indicated that if we do move forward with the meets, we will need to provide full disclosure to the membership about the necessary changes and we do face the possibility of losing members.

Jerry indicated that as treasurer, he would want to know the full financial impact of the NMC decision.

Jack indicated, that he will pull his motion pending the NMC decision.

Larry questioned the liability coverage of the Directors. (it was later determined that the BCA and its directors are not covered for any liability regarding decisions made involving the Covid Pandemic)

Rob indicated that if the recommendation of the NMC is to have a reduced meet, we will have to cancel our existing contracts and write new contracts.

Pat indicated we will have a NMC recommendation prior to March 1.

Mike questioned whether the BOD or the NMC has the final say about the decision to go forward.

Jack indicated that the NMC is an advisory board only, the decision is up the full BOD.

The BOD will have a teleconference on Tuesday March 22 to receive the recommendation of the NMC and decide at that time to proceed or call off one or both meets.

Bugle Advisory Committee. Pete indicated that he is getting a lot of articles from members.

Bob mentioned that we will have 10 by 30 space at the Louisville Street Rod show.

Conflict of Interest statement Jerry had an attorney look over his proposed rewrite of the Conflict of Interest statement. He expects it to be ready by the March BOD meeting.

Jack mentioned we have an open motion on this item. This will be tabled.

Next meeting is 3/17/2021

The BOD expressed sympathy to Larry Schramm on the death of his daughter.

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MOTION RESULTS

Date Published :		File #: 2020-2021-31	
Motion Approve minutes from Teleconference of 1/21/2021			
By:	Jack	2nd:	Mike
Discussion notes:			

VOTING	YES	NO	Abstain (ABS) / No Vote Cast (NVC)	Date Voting Opened 2/17/2021
John Steed Pres.				Date voting Closed 2/17/2021
Melanie Mauser	X			
Bpb Starzyk	X			
Sydney Meyer	X			
Jerry Courson	X			
Mike Book	X			
Larry Schramm	X			
Rick Schick	X			
Jack Welch	X			

Jack Welch: Recording Secretary

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MOTION RESULTS

Date Published :		File #: 2020-2021-32	
Motion	Approve Treasurer Report for 2/17/21 BOD Meeting		
By:	Jerry		2nd: Larry
Discussion notes:			

VOTING	YES	NO	Abstain (ABS) / No Vote Cast (NVC)	Date Voting Opened 2/17/2021
John Steed Pres.				Date voting Closed 2/17/2021
Melanie Mauser	X			
Bpb Starzyk	X			
Sydney Meyer	X			
Jerry Courson	X			
Mike Book	X			
Larry Schramm	X			
Rick Schick	X			
Jack Welch	X			

Jack Welch: Recording Secretary

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MOTION RESULTS

Date Published : 3/16/2021	File #: 2020-2021-33
Motion: Approve modifications to SOP 29	
By: Jack	2nd: Jerry
Discussion notes: This pertains to the Centennial award program	

VOTING	YES	NO	Abstain (ABS) / No Vote Cast (NVC)	Date Voting Opened 2/17/2021
John Steed Pres.				Date voting Closed 2/17/2021
Melanie Mauser	X			
Bpb Starzyk	X			
Sydney Meyer	X			
Jerry Courson	X			
Mike Book	X			
Larry Schramm		X		
Rick Schick	X			
Jack Welch	X			

Jack Welch: Recording Secretary

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MOTION RESULTS

Date Published : 3/16/2021		File #: 2020-2021-34		
Motion	Cancel the 20212 National National Meets, pending a recommendation from the NMC recommending to the contrary			
By:	Jack		2nd:	Rick
Discussion notes: Following discussion, Motion was withdrawn by Jack				

VOTING	YES	NO	Abstain (ABS) / No Vote Cast (NVC)	Date Voting Opened 2/17/2021
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