

# **Revised Minutes of BCA Board of Directors Meeting, held on the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023, via teleconference.**

## **In Attendance:**

Elected BCA Board members who were in attendance included;

Jack Welch, Melanie Mauser, Jerry Courson, John McCarthy, Bob Starzyk, John Steed, Ricky Pirch, Bill Gorman. Absent; Sid Meyer.

Other attendees whom were present included; Chief Judge, Alan Oldfield, National Meet Committee Chairman, Marck Barker, Financial Advisor, Mike Meyer.

Absent from this meeting was; Chapter Co-Ordinator, Roberta Vasilow, Bugle Editor, Pete Phillips, Cornerstone Group Manager, Mark Wheeler.

### **1. Secretary Report presented by John McCarthy.**

Minutes from the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2023, meeting has been circulated to all BCA Board members and other attendees. It was moved by John Steed that the Secretary's report be accepted and seconded by Bob Starzyk. The meeting approved them 7-0.

### **2. Treasurer Report presented by Jerry Courson.**

Jerry then made the following comments regarding his financial report and these included;

- a. That \$4258 held by Morgan Stanley and that he intended moving this to the Money Market Account.
- b. That money invested in the Money Market Account yielded 5.4% from interest in August.
- c. That he was taking \$10,000 out of the Key Bank account to invest in the Money Market account.
- d. Year to date, (August), the BCA is experiencing a \$9552 loss. The reasons for this include that the National meet has a loss of \$12952 and that the income was \$3400.
- e. Operating account normally operated with \$2000 or \$3000, however, this had a loss for this month, because of increased expenses, which Jerry is still looking into.
- f. He is hoping for a year end profit for the BCA.
- g. Jack Welch commented on Mark Wheeler integrating the registration fees for the National meet into the online accounts.
- h. It was moved by John Steed that the Treasurer's report be accepted, and seconded by Bill Gorman. The meeting approved this motion 6-0. (Bob Starzyk had left the meeting).

## **Committee Reports.**

### **3. Personnel Committee:**

Melanie Mauser reported that she is still working on projects related to this committee and will get these back to the Board.

### **4. Finance Committee:**

Jerry Courson commented that interest rates had increased and is now showing on our bank accounts.

### **5. Insurance, BCA, D&O, Regions, Chapters and Divisions Committee.**

There was nothing to report.

### **6. SOP Committee:**

Bill Gorman commented that the SOP changes which were approved at a previous meeting need to be forwarded to Mark Wheeler for them to be published on the BCA website in a word document.

### **7. Chapter Co-Ordinator report:**

No report submitted for this meeting.

### **8. National Chief Judge Report:**

- a. Alan Oldfield commented on the email which he had sent out regarding updating the BCA manual for judging, as there was a need for this to be done.
- b. Because of the need to have a line of succession and experienced person for the Chief Judge's position. He asked the meeting to approve the appointment of two Assistant Chief Judges, they are; Bill Gorman and Adam Martin. Alan outlined the experiences and suitability of these two persons.
- c. Jack Welch questioned Alan Oldfield whether there would be voting rights for these two appointees and he said "no".
- d. Alan Oldfield moved a motion to approve the appointments of the two Assistant Chief Judges and this was seconded by; John Steed. Meeting approved 7-0. (Alan Oldfield is able to vote).
- e. Alan Oldfield commented that he was planning judges training seminars and hands-on practical training, as the current situation was not adequate and how he wanted this training to be to done. No firm plans or costings have been calculated at this point of planning.
- f. Marck Barker commented on the possibility of judge training at Regional meetings.

- g. Jack Welch commented on how the Classic Car Club does its judge training programs.

#### **9. National Meet Committee:**

Marck Barker commented on the following;

- a. That he and Jerry Courson were investigating where the losses occurred at the recent 2023 National meeting. It appears that there was a loss on all car judging because of the cost of the trophies, we allowed \$30 per car. They estimate that each trophy cost between \$32 and \$38 and that cost to judge each car was which included trophies and the judges breakfast ended costing over \$40 per car. They said that they were looking at new ways to reduce this cost and wanted the meeting to make contributions.
- b. Marck Barker will look at ways to reduce the costs for this process to happen in the future.
- c. Alan Oldfield asked for a breakdown, including minimum cost verses income.
- d. Melanie Mauser commented on the cost of medallions for New Gold Senior awards and the need to restock. She added that she will share the costs which she knows about and fill forward a spreadsheet to the Board meeting attendees.
- e. John Steed commented on the need to charge attendees for the Judge's breakfast and Marck Barker suggested that we discontinue with providing a free lunch.
- f. He further commented on rationalizing the trophies and medallions to reduce the costs. Jack Welch suggested that this topic be further discussed in the National Meet Committee.
- g. It was raised at the meeting that there was a need to purchase a trailer to transport the materials and equipment, including medallions and trophies from one National meeting to the next and store the materials and equipment at a safe location. Marck Barker and the Meeting commented on the logistics and issues of owning and using a trailer, including storage, maintenance and insurance issues. It was commented on that perhaps renting a storage unit may be a better option.
- h. Jerry Courson moved a motion that the BCA does not purchase a trailer and this was seconded by John Steed. Approved 6-1.(Marck Barker has a vote).

#### **10. Membership Directory, Roster and Handbook Committee:**

John Steed commented that he had been investigating what is required for this publication and what is happening on other organizations. There were various options and different methods for publishing the book.

**11. Bugle Advisory Committee:**

Pete Phillips was absent from this meeting.

**12. Strategic Planning Committee:**

Jerry Courson commented that he was still investigating the implementation of the current Strategic Plan and will communicate with his findings with this meeting at a later date.

**13. Membership Growth Committee:**

Bob Starzyk commented that Melanie Mauser's survey was still on going and that the Hershey meeting was the next big event to attract new members.

**14. Buick Museum Committee:**

Bob Starzyk commented that there was nothing to report.

**15. Old Business:**

- a. Jack Welch commented on the need to plan for attracting new Officers for the Board positions. He urged the Board to come up with ideas to attract potential people.
- b. Marck Barker suggested that we publish former Board member profiles and records of achievements in the Bugle, as a way of attracting new candidates.
- c. Jerry Courson suggested that we offer job shadowing and do on-the-job training as a possible way.
- d. John Steed commented on the planning, logistics and requirements for the upcoming Hershey meeting. He is having difficulty finding people to store materials and equipment and suggested that we start renting some equipment. He also outlined the program for this year and the "give aways".

**16. New Business:**

Nothing to report.

**17. Meeting was adjourned:**

Proposed by Jerry Courson and seconded by John Steed. All present approved, (6-0).

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023. 7.10pm (ET) and 6.10pm (CT).**