

**Revised Minutes of BCA Board of Directors Meeting,
held on the 13th February 2024, via Teleconference.**

In Attendance:

All elected BCA Board members were in attendance and these included;

Jack Welch, Melanie Mauser, Jerry Courson, John McCarthy, Bob Starzyk, John Steed, Ricky Pirch, Bill Gorman, Sid Meyer. Therefore, all 8 voting members were present.

Other attendees whom were present included; Chief Judge, Alan Oldfield, National Meet Committee Chairman, Marck Barker, Cornerstone Group Manager, Mark Wheeler, Financial Adviser, Mike Meyer, Bugle Editor, Pete Phillips, Assistant Chief Judges Adam Martin and Chet Palumbo.

Chapter Co-Ordinator, Roberta Vasilow was not present at this meeting.

1. Secretary Report presented by John McCarthy.

The Minutes from the 13th February 2024 meeting have been circulated to all BCA Board members and other attendees. It was moved by Jerry Courson that the Secretary's report be accepted and seconded by Melanie Mauser. The meeting approved them 8-0.

2. Treasurer Report presented by Jerry Courson.

He made the following comments;

- a. The December 31st final Financial Statement, which shows the accounts for 2023, showed a loss of \$6613. It was moved by Sid Meyer to accept the December 2023 final Statement and seconded by Melanie Mauser. The meeting approved them 8-0.
- b. The January 2024 Statement shows an income of \$13,000. It was moved by Sid Meyer to accept the January Statement and seconded by Melanie Mauser. The meeting approved them 8-0.

3. Personnel Committee:

- a. Melanie Mauser reported that there were some discrepancies with the advertising rates in the Buick Bugle and this was being looked into.
- b. She commented on the need to change all the black and white advertisement to color and the Bugle Advisory committee was looking into this.
- c. Melanie further commented on the need to review the prime advertising spots in the Bugle.
- d. She mentioned the need to add Jerry Wilson to the Bugle Advisory Committee.

4. Finance Committee:

- a. Jerry Courson commented on the need to make Mike Meyer an official BCA investment advisor, as we cannot currently get the Bank to act on questions which Mike Meyer has for the Bank.
- b. Jerry Courson proposed that Mike Meyer becomes an official Assistant Treasurer, as an appointed BCA Officer.
- c. He also proposed that Marck Barker also becomes an additional Assistant Treasurer. Jack Welch will make these appointments official.
- d. It was moved by Jerry Courson to accept the Finance committee's report and seconded by John McCarthy. The meeting approved them 8-0.

5. Insurance, BCA Divisions, Other Clubs, Regions and Chapter Committees:

Nothing to report.

6. SOP Committee:

Bill Gorman commented that there was nothing to report.

7. National Meet Committee:

- a) Marck Barker commented that the 2024 National Meet registrations were going well and there were 68 registrations to date.
- b) He also commented that there were 45 Flea Market registrations to date.
- c) Marck Barker also asked that if there were going to be any known hotel cancelations, please let him know so that he can keep the host hotel full.
- d) He also commented that he will be retiring from the National Meet Committee Chairman's position after the Strongsville 2024 meeting.

8. National Chief Judge's Report:

- a) Alan Oldfield and Bill Gorman and their two assistants, (Adam Martin and Chet Palumbo), presented to the Board a detailed report on how they intend changing the judging format for Modified Buicks at the coming National Meetings. They thanked Bob Starzyk for the work which he had done in the past for establishing this class of judging. During the Spokane National meeting and during subsequent meetings, Alan, Bill and their team surveyed modified vehicle owners to what their views were on how their vehicles were being judged and how they could improve the judging of modified vehicles. They had emailed out to the Board Members a copy of what they intended to change and the new format. A copy of the email is listed under "appendix" at the end of these minutes.
- b) Bill Gorman outlined the changes and these, included the changing of the three current divisions of modified vehicles, (mild, resto-rod and radical), to four new classes.
These include;
 1. Mild (Day 2).
 2. Resto-Mod 1948 and older.

3. Resto-Mod 1949 and newer and must have a GM engine.
 4. Radical, which is cut up and put back together again, (chopped and channeled).
- c) Rat-Rod and modified vehicle less than 12 years old will be for display only and Class E racing cars will remain the same.
- d) These changes will bring the modified division more inline with the standard 400-point judging system.

Adam Martin and Chet Palumbo identified and developed 10 areas for judging a modified car and these areas included;

1. Body, paint & finish.
2. Body, fenders & alignment, glass, door seals & weatherstripping.
3. Wheels, tires & hubcaps.
4. Suspension, springs, steering, under carriage and safety.
5. Upholstery & interior.
6. All brightwork & plating.
7. Engine compartment & radiator.
8. Engine, wires, engine accessories, fuel lines, hoses and fan belt, etc.
9. Craftsmanship.
10. Overall appearance.

Each identified area will be judged using a 0 to 10 point system. 0 means poor, 5 means fair, 6-7 means good, 8-9 means very good and 10 is excellent.

Trophies will be awarded similar to current BCA awards, Gold, Silver and Bronze and will be decided on the show field by the team leader, using one score sheet.

Award Scoring:

Gold	94 – 100
Silver	87 – 93
Bronze	80 – 86

- e) Cars who are awarded less than 100 points will be given a comment sheet pointing out the faults and deductions.
- f) The meeting participated in a discussion and questions included;
 - Jack Welch asked whether the Rat Rod had to be Buick only? Answer was yes.
- g) Bob Starzyk commented that any non-Buick cars will be for display only.
- h) He commented that there was a need to advertise in the Bugle the new judging changes for modified Buicks.
- i) Ricky Pirch asked whether the BCA fire extinguisher requirement will be enforced with the modified judging? The answer was yes.

9. Chapter Co-Ordinator Report:

Nothing to report.

10. Roster Committee/Membership Directory Handbook:

Nothing to report.

11. Bugle Advisory Committee:

John Steed commented that Jerry Wilson will be appointed to the Bugle Advisory Committee.

12. Strategic Planning Committee:

Jerry Courson commented that he had nothing to report.

13. Membership Growth Committee:

Bob Starzyk commented that he was going to shows to attract new members.

14. Old Business:

1. Jerry Courson commented that we have a good inventory of awards.
2. Jack Welch commented on the good work which Alan Oldfield has done with the BCA's Media and Judging endeavors.
3. He further commented on the good feed-back he was receiving on the BCA's sponsorship at the GS Nationals.

15. New Business:

- a. It was pointed out that there are only two candidates for the coming 2024 BCA Board elections. Of the three candidates whose terms expire in 2024, Ricky Pirch and John Steed have indicated that they will be retiring from the Board and Jack Welch will be standing for re-election again.
- b. Jack Welch mentioned that the New Jersey Chapter had inquired about holding a meeting on the 6th July, which is a week before the BCA National Meeting and against BCA rules. There was discussion by members about adhering to the BCA rules, as it comes down to Insurance issues and being too close to the BCA National meeting dates. Jack Welch will get in contact with this chapter and point out these issues and the conflicting dates.

16. Meeting was Adjourned:

Moved by Bob Starzyk. Seconded by: Melanie Meyer.
Passed by 8-0.

Next Meeting will be held Tuesday 12th March 2024. 7:10 (ET). 6:10 (CT).