



## SWMS Meeting Minutes

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

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### General

Note: This board meeting was held in person at Fuddruckers, *which was originally planned to be an online meeting.*

**Attendance:** Steve DeBerry, G. Self, J. Jerger, W. Holloman, K. Houck, J. Slenes, I. Young, M. Tribble, V. Yarberry, Z. Myers, W. Myers, J. Neuman and D. Porter (former member).

- President, Jay Neuman, presented the proposed agenda and made a motion to accept, seconded, accepted and no dissenting.

### Old Business

- Minutes from last meeting, motioned to accept, seconded, accepted, no dissenting.
- President announced status update on SWMS social sites:
  - Original Facebook page has redundant administrators.
  - Facebook group page now has redundant administrators also.
  - Instagram site now has redundant administrators with full SWMS control of the site.
- S. DeBerry followed up his action to develop a summary and estimate of 2025 SWMS club costs and to forecast what membership fees might need to be to support a social club-type approach. Cost is highly dependent on paying membership head count (several members are honorary and paid by our club) and estimates it to run between \$100-200/year per member based on present club costs.

### Treasurer's Report

- President raised the club still needs a Treasurer. No one immediately volunteered. However...
  - Z. Myers approached club President after the meeting and volunteered to fill this position, will need to be voted on at next Board of Directors meeting in January 2025.
- The club presently has a positive bank balance of \$13,486.

### New Business

- President asked if the club wanted to have a 2024 season club banquet. There was strong support for having it. Three people volunteered and were accepted to start work on it. D. Porter (not presently a member) volunteered to be the chair person and coordinate the event, W. Holloman and Z. Myers volunteered to support. D. Porter initial actions are to obtain what last year's chairperson did and to approach J. Guthrie on possibility of using his car collection/museum for the banquet. Alternate locations were offered if this does not work out. Wide support for holding this in first half of January 2025.
- Club has worked with NASA (CO chapter) and RMVR to expedite obtaining race licenses for SWMS racers if they want alternate races licenses. Discussion of the details followed, some interest but primary interests seemed to be in maintaining club race licenses.
- Track owners and management letter to SWMS and Options for our club's future raised and discussed. No up or down vote on options for future of club. S. DeBerry made motion to push options out to club to vote and/or comment on like we did for on the road track survey earlier this year, seconded, motion accepted and no dissenting.
- President made motion to skip December club meeting, seconded, accepted, no dissenting.

- President started discussion of if our club could/should have added other motorsports such as Super Laps and/or AutoX to club events to grow our club. ABQ Super Laps is no longer interested and no AutoX clubs in area could be identified, no motions from this discussion.
- J. Slenes, and a few other members contributed, asked several questions about our tax status, which is still in-work. President stated we are a legal New Mexico non-profit but do not have our federal 501(c) status, which we are pursuing. Slenes offered a non-profit to restart the club under. The President explained that the BoDs had considered that very option earlier this year and unanimously voted to address club's tax status and maintain SouthWest MotorSports brand first, though starting a new non-profit was a viable alternate option. Some discussion that it was just as easy to start a new non-profit as assume an existing one, maybe cheaper to start a new one as it avoids legal review of an existing one to assume.

### **Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned at ~7:30PM