



SWMS Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2022

General

Note: This board meeting was held via the internet-based Zoom video conferencing application.

The meeting was called to order at 6:06PM by President G. Sanford.

Announcements from the President and Board Members:

- Motion to approve the 10/2021 meeting minutes was moved and seconded.
- For 2022, the agenda and board meeting emphasis will undergo a slight restructuring to focus on race weekend events. Most other SWMS processes, procedures, and decisions have been generally updated and resolved during 2019 through 2021.
- SWMS.org website updated with 2022 event calendar and dates.

Treasurer's Report

- A comprehensive treasurer's report is now generated by J. Colbert in Excel format, both as event balance sheet summaries as well a monthly, running summary. These new documents will be sent out separately to the Board. A snapshot is provided below:

Beginning balance for January 2022	\$16,654.28
Deposits	+ \$0.00, New SWMS Calendar Year
Withdrawals	+ \$0.00, New SWMS Calendar Year
Estimated Ending balance Reported for January 2022	\$16,654.28

- Motion to approve the prior treasurers' report was moved and seconded.
- Treasurer's Notes:
 - Calendar year 2022 starts with approximately \$16,000.
 - During the 2021 season, generous sponsors of SWMS contributed approximately \$3,000. Many thanks to the SWMS sponsors!
 - Subtracting sponsorship funds, during 2021 SWMS as an organization generally operated with a 1:1 income to expense ratio.
 - SWMS starts 2022 with more than \$10,000 available in the budget -- \$10,000 being a good indicator of club health.
 - At the start of 2022, SWMS expects to spend approximately \$800 for items such as annual Zoom fee, VMC renewal, and 2021 trophies.
 - The board extended thanks to J. Colbert for continuing excellence with respect to financial oversight of SWMS.
- The SWMS Board made a motion and approved to purchase one set (four) replacement tires on behalf of those used during 2021 for SWMS driver instruction and/or HPDE on the training car.

Events and Races

- Next Event: March 19 - 2022 Season Technical Inspection, Safety, and Instructor School
 - *Event Coordinator Chair: S. Claunch*
 - It was noted that the March board meeting occurs prior to the technical inspection event, more details to be discussed during March meeting.
 - Safety training and driver/instructor coach skills:
 - S. Marino was hoping for two training sessions.
 - S. Marino to assist in sending emails, participation by active SWMS drivers welcomed.
 - T. Wolicki will send emails to worker contact list.
 - J. Claunch will perform fire extinguisher safety training course.
 - A 55-gallon drum was requested as necessary as a gasoline burn barrel.
 - A number of members noted that they could donate a 55-gallon drum.
 - W. Myers coordinating licenses and membership updates for 2022 with M. Luders.
 - G. Sanford will coordinate lunch planning with S. Claunch.
 - A suggestion was made to have workers try to familiarize and practice driver extractions using available race cars at the event.

- Next Event: April 23/24 – Arroyo #1, “Springtime in the Desert”
 - *Event Coordinator/Race Chair: B. Lee*
 - *Steward: B. Lee*
 - *Instructor: TBD*
 - SMWS will arrange for a dinner at Adobe Deli.
 - ASR noted that additional RV hook-ups would be available.
 - ASR noted that standard fee rates would apply.
 - SWMS is aware that both cars and karts are interested.
 - A recommendation was made to see if contact could be made with the AZ-region open wheel racing community.
 - B. Lee agreed to contact Deming hotels and would try to negotiate a discounted rate.

Old Business

- Paddock One Way Sign
 - A temporary sign was proved by D. Girand at the end of the 2021 season.
 - T. Wolicki inquired if D. Girand could permanently donate a quantity of two signs.
- 2021 SWMS End of Year Awards Banquet
 - Event planning complete, including venue, catering, and awards.
 - The board is actively monitoring NM COVID-19 policies and rules. A selection for the date is pending the expected decrease in COVID-19 restrictions.
 - The goal is to not have members and participants worried about COVID-19, so SWMS has elected to postpone the event until masks and/or other special precautions are no longer deemed necessary by local mandates.
 - Tentatively, the banquet is likely to occur mid-March.
 - S. Marino recommended that the board investigate arranging for a tent so as to permit outside dining.

- Board Nominating Committee
 - *Chair: S. Marino*
 - S. Marino noted that the ballot was determined and ready to send to A. Sanford for email broadcast among SWMS members.
 - Candidate for president: G. Sanford
 - Candidate for vice president: J. Stoughton
 - Candidate for secretary: A. Sanford
 - Candidate for treasurer: J. Colbert
 - Candidate for member at large 1: M. Tribble
 - Candidate for member at large 2: A. Denardis
 - Candidate for member at large 3: W. Hollowell
 - Separate Spec Miata Run Group
 - G. Sanford recommended that the event/race chair chooses run groups.
 - M. Travers recommended that SM be a separate run group if more than 10 SM entrants are confirmed.
 - The board agreed to consider the separation of SM entrants into a separate run group on an event-by-event basis.
 - Drone Procedure
 - The board agreed that safety is of utmost importance and that drones should not be operated over an active track and/or active races.
 - S. Marino recommended that SWMS have a policy for drone approvals and operations.
 - J. Stoughton recommended that a drone procedure be co-developed with a photography procedure.
 - B. Lee noted that tape and/or barriers be present to prevent photographers, and general paddock people, from standing in unsafe areas near front-straightaway barriers.

New Business

- Sandia Speedway Winter Series Event: February 20, 2022
 - M. Travers noted that Motor Trend magazine would be present and filming a local car from 10-Tenths (S. Seefeldt).
 - Weather looks to be sunny and low winds.
 - M. Travers would like as many race cars as possible to participate and show NM motorsports to Motor Trend.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23PM

The next Board meeting will be held March 15, 2022. See separate upcoming email for Zoom instructions.