



Buccaneer Region Board of Directors Meeting December 12, 2020—Face to Face & GTM Annual Meeting

Present Face to face: Don Johnson, Ron Ogletree, Bill Dennis and Chris Ronson, Sr.

Present with GTM: Bob Horansky, Harvey Lewis, Jack Abbott, Michele Eversoll, Karen Kern and Nona Heinzen

Absent: Kenny Lee, Tom Neubeck, Mark Eversoll and Tom Thompson

Joined later: Bob DeLoatch and Larry Morgan

Call to order: 9:00 am, Don Johnson

JAX SOLO- Tom Neubeck wasn't able to make the meeting but he did submit a report. Don read Tom's report. Tom said that the Jax Solo had an eventful year in spite of the pandemic. He gave the checking account, money market and cash balances. He said they had held their last event of the year last weekend (12/5-6) and had 48 drivers. He said the turnout wasn't bad considering they were playing opposite the Dixie Tour event. They are starting to see new members and novice coming out and having some fun #funwithcars.

He is currently looking at 10 events for the 2021 schedule. The first event will be early February. Jax Solo will be hosting the Florida Autocross Championships next year in early November at the Firm. Tom also wants to thank everyone for all of the help and advice this past year while taking over as Jax Solo Chair. Don thanked Tom for all of his hard work.

SAV SOLO- Kenny Lee wasn't able to make the meeting due to their December event date being changed twice due to the venue's request and December 12th was the next best option. He asked for forgiveness. Don read Kenny's report. Since the October BOD meeting, they had their events 10 and 11. They had 62 drivers in event 10 and 102 drivers in event 11 at Roebing Road. They continued to follow all guidelines and precautions per health officials. Their nets for events 10 and 11 were given, as well as the bank balances. He said that event #11 had higher expenses from purchasing trophies for the annual battle against SCR and the overhead expenses for using Roebing Road. Kenny estimated the current event being held today (12/12) to have the usual 50+ drivers. Don said they actually had 82 drivers registered.

Don thanked Kenny for all his hard work.

TRACK MANAGER REPORT- Jack said they have been really busy at the track between normal events/tests, maintenance and year-end coming. He said that since the last BOD meeting, they've had numerous groups at RRR. In October they had Florida Citrus, Southern Kart Club and Nate Kern. All of the events went well. It was Southern Kart Club's 2nd event and they had 100 + karters. Then in November, they had Just Track It (with 130 cars), Corvettes Limited of Central GA, Mercedes Benz of Buckhead and the Oglethorpe Driving Club. In December they had Coastal PCA last weekend and have VDCA this weekend. Podium Motorsports finishes out December.

All of the 2021 contracts have been sent out and have already been taking deposits on them. He said the 10% increase doesn't seem to be an issue at all as everyone understands the need. He provided a 2021 calendar with confirmed/booked days highlighted.

He said that on SCCA events, they have firm dates for Feb 26-28, 2021. RRR is agreeable to do whatever we need to do to make the event a success. The September SCCA event has been moved to October 22-24 with a test day scheduled for October 22.

On the maintenance, he said they have been painting the rumble strips, ran the CAT6 wire to the tower, cleaned, scraped and painted the back of the tower and also filled cracks in the track.

He said they've made several deposits to the Great Oaks Money Market account since October. He gave the transfer totals for September, October, November/December explaining that the December sales numbers were projected sales. He then gave the total of transfers for 2020. He said they had also received \$14,010 in unsolicited donations to the paving fund. He then gave bank balances, profit and loss and balance sheet reports.

Jack stated that he had been in touch with Bob Bernard and that Bob is still on board for RRR re-paving in 2022. Jack also said he had had an interesting phone call from a neighbor that lives around turn 9- The Big Nasty field. The lady told him that they were going to be doing some filming in March 2021 and she wants to pay RRR to be quiet for 5 days while they filming. Chris asked what rate was he thinking about charging, and Jack replied \$1240 per day (2200 per day minus Fire and AMB).

Don asked if anyone had any questions for Jack and Bill asked if there were any serious issues that we'll have to address before the paving? Jack said no, anything needed will be added/done while the equipment is here. Don thanked Jack for all of his hard work.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Michele presented the Balance Sheet with previous year comparison as well as the P&L with previous year comparison. On the Dividend Income there was a loss. Michele clarified that BB&T Securities manages our portfolio. Chris said he doesn't feel that anyone should have the authority to make trades for us. Don said that Ted had set it up. Bob then asked if we have a fiduciary or brokerage agreement with BB&T. Chris replied that no one knows because Ted set it up. Michele said that the paperwork says BB&T Scott and Stringfellow, division of BB&T Securities, LLC. Don said that Michele can get the info on it and then she and Chris can look it over. Harvey said that at the last annual meeting there was discussion of forming a finance committee. He would like to see a finance committee formed to better manage money. Michele said she was going to request an Executive Session to discuss a number of issues with the BOD. Don asked if there were any questions for Michele. No one had any and Don thanked Michele for her hard work. Bill and Harvey also thanked Michele.

RACE CHAIR REPORT- Is in flux right now and will discuss this more in the Continuing business section

CONTINUING BUSINESS-

2021 Drivers School: In previous years we have partnered with SVRA but SVRA cannot help for 2021 due to other events that they have undertaken. Don approached Steve Strickland, our Area Director, about possibly helping with the School and Steve replied that they would. Bob asked if the current rule book made allowances for waivers for specific technical issues? Don has a zoom call scheduled next week with the Executive Steward and Jim Creighton to clarify everything. Ron said that SVRA may still be able to promote the event for us and Don agreed. Bob said the current SARRC rules say that you cannot have a SARRC race and a Driver's school. Don said he's talked with Steve about it and it shouldn't be a problem. Bob proposed a schedule for Friday am—Drivers School in the Classroom with All Day laps for Open wheel and then Closed wheel. Then on Saturday morning track time up until 11 am. At 11 am, the School ends. After lunch, SARRC #1 qualifying begins. Then on Sunday, SARRC #2 qualifying in the morning and Racing PM on Sunday. Everyone agreed that the schedule should work. Bill asked Don if he will remain Race Chair and Don said yes. Bill said that the decision has not yet been made on whether the sanction requester will be SEDIV or Buccaneer Region. Don said he would shake that out on the call. Bill suggested including Ken Blackburn on the call and Don agreed. Bill said he thought we could work out the scheduling issues but was unsure about the workers. Don said that Robert Mays is working on helping to get workers. Nancy and TJ Walsh are both committed for 2021. Don stated that he had one other issue to put to bed—that there would be no Test Day on Friday. Bill asked Jack if he could commit to bringing in workers, if needed. Jack said yes but to give him a weeks' notice. Don said we have some fuzzy areas but good general ideas.

2021 Jim Stark: Dates are April 23-25, 2021 with the 23rd being a RRR Test Day. Bill and Don will be co Race Chairs, with Bill being responsible for the paperwork, and the sanction process, and Don responsible for naming the Chiefs. Ron will be the Race Chair at the Track. Bill said he sees no reason to change the design of the Jim Stark since it's a money maker for the club and Don agrees.

2021 Savannah Haze: Bill asked Jack if he had sold the 'old' SIC weekend and Jack replied yes, that because we moved Nate Kern from his October dates (10/22-24) that we had to give him something so he took the September 18-19, 2021. Bill said that the August date for the Summer Haze is stressful. It would be nice to move to September. October open date is too close to the SIC.

Track Re-paving plans: We are planning to re-pave the track in April/May 2022. Bob Barnard is still on board with re-paving with us. There was some discussion regarding the open friction course that is planned for the re-paving. Ron asked if the friction layer would mitigate the cracking. Don replied yes, that's the whole purpose for the friction layer. It's still an open discussion. Bill then asked if we were planning to re-pave the entire 2.02 track as well as the chicane and also asked if there was a price difference in paving the same area w/ the friction layer vs not using the friction layer. Don said yes, that we want to re-pave it all and it's more expensive to do with the friction layer.

NEW BUSINESS-

Election results: We did not have enough applications to require an election. Bob Horansky is taking Tom Thompson's spot on the BOD. Don thanked Tom for all of his years of service on the BOD. He then welcomed Bob.

North- Mark Eversoll
Don Johnson
Chris Ronson
Bob Horansky

South- Bill Dennis
Larry Morgan
Harvey Lewis
Ronald Ogletree

Don said we have sufficient nominations for fill the roster. We do still have an open position on the "at large" position.

Election of RE, Asst RE, Officers: Next was the election of the Regional Executive. Chris Ronson motioned for Don Johnson to continue as RE. The motion was 2nd by Bill Dennis. Nona called for votes and motion carries with no opposition.

Next up was the Assistant RE. Chris Ronson motioned for Bill Dennis and it was 2nd by Ron Ogletree. Nona again called for votes and the motion passed with no opposition. Harvey Lewis motioned for Michele Eversoll to continue as Treasurer. Michele agreed.

Chairs and Specialties: Karen Kern was confirmed as Membership Chair. Bill asked Karen if she could think of ways to promote membership. He asked Karen to prepare a presentation for our next BOD meeting. She agreed. Ron offered his assistance if Karen needs it.

Solo Chairs are to remain Tom Neubeck and Kenny Lee. Larry Morgan will continue as F&C Chair. There was discussion regarding T&S and upgrading laptops, etc. Don stated that there has been hard wire ran to the timing tower. The needs for T&S could be some software issues concerning Window 7 vs windows 10 compatibility but Don said he thinks the problem has been resolved.

National and SEDIV Conventions status: There will be no on-site conventions. The National office is working through their websites offering Webinars. Michele pointed out that it was an awesome opportunity for more people to attend since it's virtual and much less costly. Don agreed and thanked Michele for saying it. SEDIV will be online for awards but not sure how all of that will work. The content portion will be online.

TNiA/Track Events for RRR: Don turned this portion over to Bill. Bill said he had spoken with Lee Hill and Mike King about following up the Autocross with a TNiA. The TNiA is a National event so Buccaneer Region wouldn't make any money but he feels we need to do it. Ron said he thought it would be a great opportunity to bring in high school

students as workers for the TNiA. He said that gaining access for workers would be a TNiA stair step incentive and would help the students to begin getting active in the local autocross programs. Chris said he liked the idea of having a TNiA and that since it'd be on a weekend, it wouldn't be an issue with the noise as it has been with the weeknights. Bill said that if we go forward with the TNiA, that it's imperative that the SOLO chairs publish their schedules. Don thanked everyone for their input.

NEXT MEETING-

Don said the next go-to- meeting would be in 2 months—Monday, February 8 at 7 pm. Chris Ronson motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Ron Ogletree.

Meeting adjourned 11:03 am