

Buccaneer Region Board of Directors Meeting December 3, 2022—Zoom and In-person meeting

Present with Zoom: Larry Morgan, Ron Ogletree, Jeff Utley, Karen Kern and Nona Heinzen **Present in-person**: Don Johnson, Bill Dennis, Bob Horansky, Chris Ronson, Kurt Breitinger

and Jack Abbott

Absent: Harvey Lewis, Kenny Lee and Craig Tomeo

Guests present: Tad Segars, Scott Reynolds, Weyman Houston and Fred Clark

Call to Order: 9:00 am

<u>JAX SOLO</u>- No report from Jacksonville. DJ said he will get with Craig and send it to everyone via email.

<u>SAV SOLO</u>- Kenny is running in a fundraiser today. Don went over the last two events for Savannah Solo-- # 11 was at RRR and had 96 drivers; #12 was at Hutchinson and had 55 drivers. Kenny is still able to use only about ½ of the area at Hutchinson due to the Convention Center expansion. Kenny will continue working on the situation. He has been in direct contact with the Westin and the Convention Center.

TRACK MANAGER REPORT-Jack gave the Track Manager Report beginning with giving the bank balances. Jack said the track is busy for 11 days straight from the 8th-18th. They have been doing regular maintenance on the buildings around the track. VDCA is scheduled Dec 9-11th and they have around 100 cars registered as of now. The month will finish up with motorcycles on the 17th& 18th. As of now, the group has 60-70 bikes signed up. There are Test and Tunes going on in between the events.

Jack said the new Kubota tractor was delivered on November 18, 2022. We paid a \$5,000 deposit down on the Bushhog 1812 Batwing Cutter (12'). We will pay the balance on receipt of the cutter.

Jack said he has been talking to Neil Enerson with Lucas Racing School about RRR becoming their 2nd home. They have scheduled two days in March 2023. He said he has had an anonymous sponsor talk to him about building more garages. The sponsor was going to research and will talk more about that later.

Chris asked if there were any new developments regarding the fuel depot. Jack said no, as of now, it's the same as before with the storm coming through Florida. There was more discussion on the fuel issue. Chris said we need to resolve those issues with fuel at the track before the track puts money towards new garages. If someone is offering to pay for the garages, that is fine; but we don't want to spend track money on garages right now.

Jack said they have five tractors now: One Ford Tractor has the blower on it all the time, one Ford tractor has the sweeper on it all of the time. They use the John Deere to cut grass, the Mahindra has the forks on it for use when needed. Then they just purchased the Kubota which the forks also fit on.

Jack said he and DJ had met with Matt Jeffries with APAC and the QC guy, Joe, to look at the track again. APAC said they wanted to come back to pull core samples from places that don't have any raveling issues for comparison because they did not get good core samples from the last pull and cannot readily identify the issue.

Jack explained the process for putting the TrackBond50 down. The consensus is that Track Bond50 is the best solution for the problem because if the areas had to be cut out and replaced it would possibly lead to even worse problems. Kurt asked if that means that we anticipate this problem for all of the turns and Jack replied that eventually, yes. We are hoping that we can come to a resolution. Don said that APAC had hinted at subsidizing the TrackBond50 going forward. There is no resolution yet to what they are willing to do. They indicated that they don't want their company to have a bad name with all of it. They seem willing to come to a resolution but we just don't know yet what that will be.

Don asked if there were any questions for Jack. Don said Jack is doing a great job with everything that he is doing. Jack thanked all of the track staff for the success and help as well.

<u>TREASURER-</u> Chris began with the bank balances. He then talked about the \$20,000 SEDiv payment coming due. It was agreed that the payment to SEDiv will be paid by the track.

Don talked about the signatories issue due to the corporation being a FL corporation and dba as Roebling Road Raceway. Don spoke with an attorney regarding the issue. The attorney said we need to register Buccaneer Region SCCA as a foreign entity with RRR as DBA in Georgia. After obtaining that, then we can establish RRR as a dba and move forward with all the banking needs.

RACE CHAIR: Don began with the drivers' school description. He said it will be very similar to last years' school with the addition of another run group—the Driverz Cup-- A formula V group that will have a stand alone race on Saturday. Bill asked if on the Sunday race would the Driverz cup participants accrue SARRC points and Don replied NO, they are not eligible for SARRC points.

Kurt asked if we have already advertised the drivers school? Bill replied that it will be in the Grass Roots Motorsports on December 28 and as soon as he gets the sanction back, DJ will put it on Motorsports.reg. All participants need some kind of license that is accepted by SCCA. Jack asked how the test day would run. Don said that the test day will be like last year's. Jack will have part of the morning and part of the afternoon. The students of the school will be eligible to run in the race on Sunday at a discounted fee. Don said we had positive feedback from last year's school; so based on that, we expect to have a good turnout.

Jack spoke about the November date that SCCA has historically had—he has been holding it for SCCA but offering it out when SCCA doesn't use it. He said for 2023 Mercedes has taken it again.

Bill then talked about the Jim Stark scheduled April 22-23, 2023. Bill doesn't anticipate changes (other than who the chief stewards, etc. will be). He sees no reason to change anything since last year was a success. As soon as he knows who the chief stewards are, he will get to work on the sanctions. Bill said there is great advertising for the Jim Stark so he expects to benefit from it.

Chris said the sanction fees are increasing but they don't know yet how much they are going to be. He said that the entry fees may have to be changed depending on what the increases are. Bill and Chris will stay in touch regarding the fees so that we can move forward with pricing. Bill said that in the process for submitting for a sanction you have to state what the entry fee is when it's submitted. His rule is to have the sanction number three months in advance of the race—which would be Mid-January. He doesn't think there will be any problems with it because he's not changing anything.

Karen said that the ad artwork is due on the 9th of December. Bill said that they already have the artwork. It's the same as last year's except for the change in dates. Bill said that there is a full-page ad coming, too.

NEW BUSINESS:

ELECTION RESULTS: Don said that this year in the North Chapter we have continuing Don Johnson, Bob Horansky, Chris Ronson and Jeff Utley. In the South Chapter, it's the same—Bill Dennis, Harvey Lewis and Ron Ogletree will remain. Larry Morgan has been busy volunteering and was not able to get his form in to us but he would like to serve another year. Bob stated that the Bylaws Article 6 Section 1 states that the request must be made in writing by the 1st of October. Bob made a motion to waive that requirement so that the BOD can nominate and approve him as a candidate. Kurt seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Chris made the motion to add Larry to the South Chapter for 2023. The motion was seconded by Kurt. All were in favor; motion carried.

Bill Dennis motioned for Kurt Breitinger to remain as a member-at-large. Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried. Don said that we are adding another member-at-large. Chris Ronson nominated Scott Reynolds as the second at-large member. Bob Horansky seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried. Don welcomed Scott to the Board.

Bob Horansky motioned for Don Johnson to remain as the Regional Executive. Bill Dennis seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Bill Dennis nominated Kurt Breitinger as the Asst Regional Executive. Larry seconded the motion. Kurt accepted the nomination. All were in favor; motion carried.

Next position was Race Chair. No one wanted to take over the Race Chair positions from Bill Dennis and Don Johnson. Therefore, they remain as Race Chairs.

Don asked Nona if she was willing to remain as Secretary and she replied affirmatively. Bill made the motion to keep Nona Heinzen as the Secretary. Kurt seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Bill Dennis nominated Chris Ronson for Treasurer and Kurt seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Bill Dennis nominated Fred Clark for the 2023 SARRC Representative. Chris Ronson seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Don went down the list of Specialties and they are as follows:

F&C Chief	Larry Morgan
Start	?
Grid	Pete Horansky
Tech	Rick Henschel
T&S	Dan Dodson
Jax Solo	Craig Tomeo
Sav Solo	Kenny Lee
Web Master/Membership ChairKaren Kern	
Emergency	Skippy Boatright
Course Marshall	Kat Buell
Paddock Marshall	Jim Sparks

NATIONAL CONVENTION: The National Convention is ALL online and Free. The dates are January 19-27, 2023

<u>SEDiv CONVENTION:</u> The SEDiv Convention is February 3-5, 2023, tentatively at the Sea Palms/St Simons. Buccaneer Region will pay for the CONVENTION FEE for BOD members or SOLO Chairs—but not for the Banquet fee or Hotel. Bill said that the Sea Palms has a limited number of rooms so you might end up at another Hotel.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting date is January 30, 2023, at 7:00 pm via ZOOM.

Chris motioned to adjourn; Bob seconded; all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 am.