

## Buccaneer Region Board of Directors Meeting April 2, 2024—Zoom meeting

Present with Zoom: Kurt Breitinger, Bill Dennis, Bob Horansky, Chris Ronson, Sr, Harvey Lewis, Larry Morgan, Rick Henschel, Jeff Utley, Pete Horansky, Kenny Lee, Jack Abbott and Nona Heinzen

Absent: Craig Tomeo

Call to Order: 7:05 pm. Kurt thanked everyone for attending tonight.

<u>JAX SOLO:</u> Craig was not on the call. Kurt provided Craig's report to everyone. Craig said they had got a late start to the season as they continued to hunt for alternative sites. On 3/16/24 they welcomed 100 drivers to the FIRM. Everyone got 6 runs each and they were finished by 3:00. They netted about \$1500 from the event. They had to increase fees to match the \$3,800 rental fee for the FIRM.

Craig said that on the site search, he is nearly 100% sure that they have secured a 2<sup>nd</sup> site in Jacksonville at the FSCJ Criminal Law Center. He said they would be using the Center's skid pad area. They have locked in 5 dates with them and that coupled with the 3 FIRM events outs them at 8 for now with November/December still open.

Craig stated in his report that now that they had secured a 2<sup>nd</sup> site and some potentially stable income, they may be asking the Region for some support to help them with a loan to replace their aging trailer and tow vehicle in the coming months.

**SAV SOLO:** Kenny said they had their event #2 at Hutchinson Island on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. They had 30 drivers and netted \$138.65. He then gave their checking account balance. He stated that he has provided all of Savannah Solo's tax related documents to the Accountant to support their FY23 tax filing efforts.

Kenny stated that he couldn't book another event at Hutchinson Island for March that wouldn't conflict with the national tour at Moultrie. He said they have their April 27<sup>th</sup> date at Roebling. He said April also has Charlotte's national tour that could potentially conflict with local events for neighboring states.

TRACK MANAGER REPORT: Jack began the Track Manager's Report by going over bank balances. He then gave an accounting of the Transfer amounts and expenditures. He said they had been busy since the last meeting on February 13 with AHRMA (had 240 riders), the Drivers School, Southern Kart Club (they had 180 karts), N2 Motorsports, WERA and Just Track It with a few small events and Test & Tunes in between the large events.

Jack stated that on the Allegiance update, they had run the fiber and were planning to do the "switch-over" on April 3-4. He explained that they couldn't do it sooner due to needing the Wi-Fi for the groups they had scheduled needing it.

Jack said that he had been thinking that instead of focusing on another bank of garages, that they needed to update EV1. He said they had experienced several fires recently. He said that EV1 has some issues that will need to be addressed soon. He has spoken to the donor that was going to help with the garages and asked if he would change directions and help us buy Fire Truck. The donor replied that he would help us out with about the same amount of money.

Jack stated that both EVs are 1999 Brush trucks that have been band-aided a lot. EVII has had transmission problems. They are looking for a brush, fire truck with compartments or a dually crew-cab that they can put a skid on.

Jack stated that he had not pursued Flagtronics further since the last meeting.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Chris then gave the report on the Balance Sheet. He then gave the numbers on the P&L. Chris said we are getting great interest from Great Oaks MM and Vanguard.

Chris gave the comparison between the 2023 and 2024 Driver's School profit which was an increase of 52.1%.

RACE CHAIR REPORT: 2024 Jim Stark Double SARRC— Bill said they have 78 entries as of now. He said there are a lot of SRF3s. He said he expects the new Wi-Fi to be up and running. Bob said that Peter would like a teleconference of Specialty Chiefs. He said they are lacking in Flagging, Logger and Radio Communicator. Chris said to be sure that Tim Lyons was coming for the Pace Car because Chris is racing. Bill confirmed that Tim was coming. Chris said that he will bring the money for the workers. Bill asked Kurt about alcohol and water. Kurt said he would take care of it.

## **CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

Tech Chief: Rick Henschel is resigning as Tech Chief due to health issues. Bill Etherington is a probable replacement.

**Jacksonville Meet-up:** Bill was organizing a meet-up at the Autobahn. Bill stated that the Jax Meet-up was a non-starter. He said that Jax Autocross has their own FB page and has no need for help.

He stated that meetings need to happen as stated in the by-laws. Bill suggests that we work with Karen to expand our Social Media. Kurt said that maybe we need to update the by-laws. Bill's recommendation is to ditch the in-person meetings for Social Media.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Photographer for Jim Stark Races:** Bob said there was one that goes to Road Atlanta who may be the VDCA photographer. Chris said he would check on it.

Race Chair for 2025: Bill stated that we need a Race Chair for 2025. Bill said that if Kurt wants to do it, that Bill and Bob can help with it. Kurt participated in the process this year. Bill said that the secret to success was 1) start early—at least 6 months before, 2) and to have a relationship with the Chief Steward. Kurt said that he is willing.

Chris motioned to adjourn. Harvey seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm