

**Meeting Minutes**  
**2004 Midwest Division Executive Meeting**  
**November 13, 2004**  
**Tulsa, OK**

Neava Ford called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. Neava asked for a roll call of the voting members present.

**Voting Members present:**

Sam Henry (proxy for Rick Carr) – Ozark Mountain  
Janice Rick – St. Louis  
Janice Rick (proxy for Chris Albin) – Southern Illinois  
Jarrod Igou – Des Moines Valley  
Charlene Bettinger – Wichita  
Don Stephens – North East Oklahoma  
Bryan Dickinson (proxy for David Bower) – Oklahoma  
Larry Hinton (proxy for Kent Prather) – Kansas  
Doug Ford – Mid South  
Norm Floyd – Arkansas  
Steve Pistora – Salina  
Jerry Doctor – Nebraska  
Chuck Clark – Kansas City

Neava Ford reviewed the 2005 meeting agenda.

Neava requested that the MidAm trophy fund, National Pointskeeper and trophy fund, and Division Treasurers', books be independently reviewed. Chris Safranek, Connie Lamb, and Russ Neely volunteered to do the reviews.

Betty Martin presented MiDiv Treasurers report. Charlene Bettinger moved to approve the report. Doug Ford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the 2004 Executive Meeting were reviewed. Jerry Doctor moved to approve the 2004 minutes. Doug Ford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chris Bovis discussed the upcoming improvements to Heartland Park, the possibility of HPT hosting the Solo2 Nationals, and the SCCA National Championship Runoffs.

Neava Ford thanked National Staff members Mike Dickerson and Terry Ozment for attending. She then asked for the Divisional Administrator reports.

**Divisional Administrator Reports:**

Charlene Bettinger gave Frank Diringer's Scrutineering report in his absence. Frank requested \$1,065 for Scrutineering for 2005, which included printing a tech manual for all scrutineers. Discussion followed regarding the cost of printing. Jan Rick moved to

approve the requested budget with a suggestion to make the tech manual available on-line to reduce budgetary needs. Don Stephens seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Charlie Clark, Assistant DA of Driver Licensing, presented Lisa Noble's Driver Licensing report in her absence. There were 76 waivers granted in 2004 vs. 80 in 2003. Lisa requested a budget of \$100 for printing, postage, and miscellaneous expenses.

Ron Shaw gave the Flagging & Communication report. He said the number of workers is still a problem. We had 174 workers as of 1/1/04. He said worker recruitment and retention should be a priority in 2005. Ron said he spent \$120 in 2004, and is requesting a budget of \$150 for 2005.

Candy Gerber presented the Timing and Scoring report for Randy Fisher in his absence. Candy discussed transponders. Candy requested a budget of \$50 for mailings.

Carol Cohn gave the Registration report. She issued a new challenge for registrars to take less than 2 minutes to register each person, in an effort to speed the process. She requested a budget of \$30 for mailings.

Linda Chapman gave the Starters report. Linda said we have 1 more starter than we had last year, and they are working on training so they can move more starters to higher license grades. She stated that she did not use the \$25 budget allocated to her last year, and would like to request \$25 for 2005.

Vickie Jarecke gave the Race Control report. Vickie stated that they lost 19 workers (7 National, 12 Regional) this year. She attributed the loss to the fact that Emergency Services is no longer joined with Race Control. She did not spend the \$100 allocated to her last year, and would request a budget of \$100 for this year.

There was no Sound Control report, but a budget of \$50 was requested on their behalf.

Jarrold Igou moved to approve all of the requested budgets for the Divisional Administrators. Charlene Bettinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Divisional Reports:**

Bruce Bettinger gave the Rally report. He said that Wichita, NEOKLA, and Kansas Regions have strong Rally programs. He asked that all of the REs add him to their newsletter mailing lists. Bruce stated that he would like to have a MiDiv regional road rally series in which any Region's rally can count towards a points championship. He suggested a sanctioning fee of \$2 per car to establish a trophy fund.

Dave Whitworth gave the Solo2/Solotime report. Dave stated that entries this year were up 4%. He said they gave out 62 series trophies. Dave said they received additional

sponsorship from the Evolution Driving School. He also stated they were hoping to have 5 events in 2005.

Rocky Entriiken gave the MidAm Series report. Rocky reviewed his handouts. He said we had 163 drivers in 2004, which was an increase of 9 drivers over 2003. He also mentioned that 7 more competitors met the championship requirements this year. Rocky stated that he would like to see the bonus race rotate on a 2-year basis between all 5 tracks.

Kelley Huxtable gave the National Club Racing report. She reviewed her handouts. Kelley said it was not a good year financially. She said expenses are up, particularly in regards to the leather chairs and stools. She asked if Spec Miata should have its own number group due to their popularity.

Mike Halley gave the Rallycross/ Rallysprint report. He mentioned that the club is looking to create a European style circuit rally program. He said all rallies from now on must be inside a closed circuit with everybody signing waivers. Mike said Rally America would be taking over our former Club and Pro Rally programs.

Jack Kish gave the Divisional Executive Steward report. He said they had 1 new Steward (Norm Floyd) and 1 new Divisional Safety Steward (Anne Wenzel). Jack discussed the Divisional Safety Steward program as a fast track for people with emergency and/or medical backgrounds. He stated the annual DAs and Stewards meeting would be in Kansas City 2 weeks after the National Convention. He added that scrutineer training would be conducted at that meeting.

Charlie Clark, Area 6 Director, thanked the Stewards and the DAs for all their hard work, and doing such a great job of making the Division run smoothly. He discussed the changes in our national Rally program. He mentioned that the decision on the future location of the Runoffs would be made in December.

**Scheduling:**

Bobbi West reviewed the tentative MiDiv schedule for 2005. Discussion followed. Monica Shaw will replace Bobbi West as Divisional Scheduling Representative.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Jarrold Igou asked that MidAm rule 1.1.A, which listed spec tires, be removed to make the class open to all DOT approved tires (as it is in the GCR). Discussion followed. Don Stephens moved to drop MidAm rule 1.1.A. Charlene Bettinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jarrold Igou requested \$250 for Des Moines Valley from the Division to help fund their Crash, Fire, Rescue School. The request was made per last year's motion to distribute

leftover funds from the DA/Stewards Meeting. Jerry Doctor moved to approve the request. Doug Ford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jan Rick asked the Division to give \$130 to St. Louis Region for their CFR School. Jan moved to allow St. Louis to use those funds to offset scheduling fees. Doug Ford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jan Rick discussed changes in the contract with Gateway International Raceway. Jan discussed the continuation of the 100 Acre Wood Rally as a non-SCCA sanctioned event due to the cancellation of the National Club Rally program. Jan mentioned that Chris Albin would like to ask that all of the racing Regions post results on mylaps.com as soon as possible.

Jan Rick requested on behalf of a couple competitors that the Hoosier R60 be made the spec tire for the MidAm Club Formula Ford class. Discussion followed. Charlene Bettinger made a motion to table the issue until the RE's can discuss the issue with their local drivers. Jerry Doctor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the item is tabled.

Chuck Clark requested that the #8 be retired from use in Spec Racer Ford in memory of Dave Pistole. Discussion followed. Norm Floyd moved to retire the number as requested. Doug Ford seconded the motion. The motion passed by a margin of 8-5. Those opposed were Jerry Doctor, Charlene Bettinger, Jarrod Igou, and Jan Rick (for both St. Louis and Southern Illinois).

Steve Fenske requested that the Division allow a Spec Racer Ford with a Toyota conversion have a place to race in Regional competition. Discussion followed. It was decided that no action should be taken at this time. Any such configuration of the Spec Racer would need approval from SCCA Enterprises, Inc.

Chuck Clark discussed the new MiDiv operations manual. He asked for input and changes to the manual be directed to him.

Neava Ford discussed the review of the MidAm trophy fund, National Pointskeeper and trophy fund, and Division Treasurers', books. Chris Safranek reported that the National Pointskeeper's books were fine. Russ Neely took the MidAm trophy fund books, and Connie Lamb to the Divisional Treasurers books. Neava suggested that we use checking accounts with no service fees, and that we look for interest bearing accounts or buying CDs rather than staying completely in cash. This item was tabled until 2005.

#### **2005 MiDiv Convention:**

Charlene Bettinger, event Chairperson, reported that Wichita would be hosting the convention at the Wichita Airport Hilton on November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. She stated that our room rate is \$74 per night. She passed out event flyers and asked that the Regional Executives help in promoting the event.

**Nominations and Voting for 2005 MiDiv Executive Committee:**

Don Stephens nominated Betty Martin for Treasurer. Charlene Bettinger seconded.

Larry Hinton nominated Chuck Clark for Secretary. Bryan Dickinson seconded.

Jarrold Igou nominated Chris Mandt for Vice Chairman. Don Stephens seconded.

Charlene Bettinger nominated Neava Ford for Chairman. Norm Floyd seconded.

The nominations were closed. All nominees were approved.

Charlene Bettinger moved to adjourn the meeting. Don Stephens seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chuck Clark  
Secretary