TYP356ne Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2020

1. 6 PM Call to order by conference call. No physical meeting.
2. Membership Report by Carl Luck who could not attend – Total Members Paid: 164, Not Paid: 34. Those 34 will now be taken off the email list. We only have 3 paid sponsors this year: Bel-Metric, ACS Racing and Retro Automotive Products. All our other sponsors have dropped. Rainer Cooney and George Nelson are still members, but not sponsors. Rich MacKoul is not a member or a sponsor this year. Sprockets Northeast might be an option to consider approaching for sponsorship.
3. Financial Report: Dennis McGurk –Balance as of April 30 is the same as March, $7,109.
4. Website Coordinator/Event Calendar Report by Allen Sisson: All May Club events are cancelled since the directives from the governors of MA and Maine make it impossible to hold events with more than 10 people. Also, in Maine throughout May all lodging facilities cannot host anyone for leisure purposes. The two June events not yet canceled will depend on the directives from Governor Backer.
5. Newsletter Report: Ed Tobolski. The May newsletter has been published.

**Events Update:**

1. Club Day 2020 September 27, 2020: We will go to the Newport Car Museum for Club Day. Ed Tobolski and Dennis McGurk will plan and oversee. Dennis has spoken to Stephen Serio about being a speaker**.** Fall back plan if Stephen cannot attend will be a representative of the museum, possibly the owners of the car collection in the museum. A $500 reservation cost has been paid by the Board to lock in the date, attending members will pay $25 dollars each, this will include full entry into the museum**.** Ed Tobolski found out that we can cancel at the Newport Car Museum up to the last minute with no penalty due to the COVID-19 uncertainty.
2. The June 11th Shop Tour on the Cape has been canceled. German Car Day June 21st, and Sisson/Grace BBQ June 28th.
3. July 9th Tom Coughlin is planning a loafer’s lunch and drive. Retro Automotive Products in Claremont, NH will hold an open house, lunch they provide, a Tech session on 356 and 912 engines and optional drive on Saturday, July 25, 2020 from 11 AM to 3 PM. There are some open dates in July and many openings in August when cancelled events in April and/or May might be able to be rescheduled. For now, probably nothing should be rescheduled until we see what the COVID19 situation is in June.
4. On August 5th Alex Dearborn will try to arrange a LLLL in Maine coordinating with member Bob Goldman.
5. Tom Tate and Jeff Leeds will be part of the coordination of a Catskill Treffen. Greg Lane will arrange a drive for Drive your Porsche day on Sunday, September 20th in Connecticut.
6. No October or November events are planned at this time. Peter Thompson has said he would be willing to hold a swap meet on Saturday, October 10th if conditions at that time are favorable. Due to the uncertainty, will not be scheduled at this time.
7. The Club yearly planning meeting is scheduled from 10 AM to 12 PM. Saturday, December 5th may be conducted as a phone conference call in 2020.

**Old/Ongoing Business**

Grill Badges: During April, the Board agreed on a new grill badge design for the Club. Peter Venuti has found a badge maker to translate that into a badge design he sent to all of us on 5.4.2020.  The manufacturer was able to create a nice representation of what a new badge could look like.  The badge will have two types of metal (gold and nickel) along with seven different colors all in solid imitation hard enamel. Also included in the package will be the hardware kit for mounting. It will be a 3.5-inch diameter grill badge with the 356-car image on the badge occupying about 50% of the diameter of the badge. Peter is working to reduce the size of the mounting washers and ensure that there are 2 of them. Anticipated cost should come in around $431 dollars with shipping as follows:

100pcs $2.311/pc (the emblem+2 screws+2 nuts+2 washers)

Mold fee $75

Send by FEDEX IP $125

At that price if we are only able to sell 30 badges that means the cost to the Club would be $14.37 per badge. Our current badge sells for $35.00 each. I think we could easily price our new badge at just $30.00 each basically doubling our cost if we sell only 30. If we sell all 100 badges, eventually the cost is only $4.31 a badge.

If we only sell 15 badges at $30.00 each, we will break even. Based on that we probably do not need to have the membership tell us if they will buy a new badge. Be prepared to vote if we should order 100 new badges at this meeting.

Badge is nickel plated steel, Peter to confirm. Price seems reasonable; voted to approve if backing plate details can be worked out.

**New Business**

Drives: Can we encourage people to organize impromptu drives? It happened in the past, and Allen did it recently, twice. Insurance might be an issue, club has liability insurance, members need to have umbrella insurance policy. Not to be treated as a scheduled event, but members can use the email list to announce spontaneous events. Allen to email out encouragement.

Next Board meeting: 6 PM, Tuesday. June 2, 2020 by conference call.

Meeting adjourned 6:35PM.

Attending:

1. Allen Sisson
2. Ed Tobolski
3. Jeff Leeds
4. Greg Lane
5. Theo Kindermans
6. Dennis McGurk

Not Attending:

1. Carl Luck
2. Peter Venuti
3. Alex Dearborn
4. Tom Tate
5. Frank Anigbo