

**Mason-Dixon Chapter  
Buick Club of America  
Minutes of Membership Meeting**

October 1, 2017  
Infinito's Restaurant  
York, Pennsylvania

**1. Open & Welcome**

Director Larry DiBarry called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m., and welcomed the members. The following members attended this meeting:

Dick and Karen Beckley  
Larry and Joan DiBarry  
David Hare  
Mike Lawson  
Richard Sills  
Jim Smith  
Jack Ulrich

Larry commended Chuck Hoffman for the article he wrote for the *Bugle*.

**2. Minutes of Prior Meeting**

Richard Sills reviewed the minutes of the prior meeting held on May 21, 2017.

**Motion** made by Dick Beckley, seconded by Jack Ulrich: To accept the minutes of the May 21, 2017 meeting, as submitted. Passed unanimously.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

David Hare presented the Treasurer's report for the months of May, June, July and August.

In May, the Chapter deposited \$175.00, consisting of \$135.00 for show registration fees and \$40 for membership dues. Expenses consisted of \$600.00 in "seed money" for the show.

In June, the Chapter deposited \$10.00 for membership dues, and \$1,214.00 of revenue from the show. Expenses consisted of \$107.70 for show supplies, and \$42.40 for the plaque to present to the dealership.

In July, the Chapter had no deposits, and expenses consisted of \$258.48 for the Chapter picnic.

In August, there were no deposits or expenses.

The bank account balance as of the end of August 2017 was \$3,429.21.

David reported that the Chapter received net proceeds from the show in the amount of \$738.90, after subtracting all expenses.

**Motion** made by Dick Beckley, seconded by Jack Ulrich: To accept the Treasurer's Report, as submitted. Passed unanimously.

#### **4. Membership report**

The current paid membership of the Chapter stands at 26.

#### **5. National BCA**

Larry reviewed issues discussed at the BCA Board meeting. Larry mentioned that the national BCA provides a "chapter allotment" of \$50 to contribute toward the expenses of a show. BCA provides windshield placards on card stock, which includes a discount for persons who wish to become new members of the BCA.

Larry noted that the 2018 BCA National Meet will be held on June 19-23, 2018, in Denver, Colorado. The host hotel will be the Denver Marriott South at Park Meadows, 10345 Park Meadows Drive, Lone Tree, Colorado 80124. The hotel's phone number is (303) 925-0004. A nearby Hampton Inn has been arranged as a back-up hotel.

The National Meet will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in 2019. The current plan is to hold the meet in Cleveland, Ohio in 2020, and there is also discussion of holding it in Gettysburg, PA in 2021.

#### **6. Tenth Annual Car Show in 2018**

The next subject of discussion was the annual Mason-Dixon Chapter BCA Car Show. The show to be held in 2018 will be the tenth annual show.

Several possible changes were brought up to be considered, relating to the 2018 show:

1. Do we want to get rid of the requirement that car owners may not judge in their own class? It was noted that, without this requirement, it will no longer be necessary to cross out one class on each ballot, and there will be no need for numbers on the ballots.

**Motion** made by Dick Beckley, seconded by Richard Sills: To delete the requirement that car owners may not judge in their own class. Passed unanimously.

2. Do we want the Good Humor Man to attend the show? Yes.

3. Do we want to advertise in *Cruise News*? No decision was made to place additional paid advertising.

It was noted that we had 67 cars at the Freysinger show in 2017. The Chapter discussed the difficulty of attracting more cars than that.

Discussion then turned to the possible venues for the 2018 car show. The location we used in 2017 and past years (the car lot of Freysinger's Buick-GMC in Mechanicsburg) will no longer be available. The dealer has explained that moving the cars around to make space for the show cars is too difficult, because Saturday is the big day for walk-in traffic.

An alternative location is the grounds of the AACA Museum in Hershey. Richard Sills stated that the costs of holding the show there would consist of \$8.00 per car, which would provide one Museum admission ticket to each registrant, plus a flat fee of \$80.00 for Museum staff assistance and clean-up of the grounds. In addition to the Museum's charges, other show costs consist of the fee charged by the DJ (estimated at \$180 based on last year), plus the cost of the trophies. The trophies cost \$1,400 last year, when we gave out 40 awards, but this cost would vary depending on what we decide to do about the number of classes, awards, etc. The food vendor used by the Cadillac club would not charge the Chapter for her presence (to offer breakfast and lunch), and the Good Humor Man also would not charge to be present,

Richard mentioned that the Museum would be a draw that may help to attract more attendance. The exhibits are changed regularly, and there are many interesting displays. Dick Beckley said he would agree to serve as Show Chairman if the show is held at the Museum. He offered to meet personally with Gary Freysinger to discuss the possibility of Freysinger's continuing to sponsor the show if it is held at the AACA Museum.

**Motion** made by Joan DiBarry, seconded by Jack Ulrich: That Dick Beckley is authorized to negotiate with Gary Freysinger to request that Freysinger's continue its sponsorship of the show, to be held at the AACA Museum in 2018. Passed unanimously.

The Chapter selected a tentative date for the show of June 2, 2018, and Richard said he would check with the Museum to determine whether that date was available. [NOTE: Upon checking, it was determined that June 2 is not available, so the date of **Saturday, June 30** was selected.]

## **7. Mason Dixon Chapter website**

Larry announced that the link to our website from the BCA website is down. He is looking into how to fix it.

## **8. Christmas Party**

The members discussed holding the Christmas party at the same location as last year, because that was enjoyed by all who attended. The decision was made to hold the party on **Sunday December 10, 2017** at the Brownstone Café, 1 North Union Street, Middletown, PA. The party invitation will suggest that people arrive at 3:00 p.m. to allow some social time, with dinner at 4:00 p.m. Attendees may order their dinner from the Brownstone's regular menu. It was also decided to include BOOM members and local CLC members in the invitation.

#### **9. Next meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday November 26, 2017, at Hoss's in Mechanicsburg.

The meeting after that will be Sunday January 28, 2018. The location is to be determined probably in the York area.

#### **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard P. Sills, Secretary