

**TYP 356 NORTHEAST
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 2, 2006**

Organization of the Meeting

The regular meeting of the TYP 356 Northeast Club Board of Directors was held at the offices of Tulis Miller & Company, 313 Congress Street, Boston, MA, at 6:05 PM, on October 2, 2006.

Attendees: Bob DiCorpo, President
Bill Collins, Vice President
Larry Bingaman, Secretary
Jerry Tulis, Treasurer
Tom Gentz, Technical Director
Ralph Hadley, Website Coordinator
Greg Graham, Member at Large
Jim O'Hare, Member at Large

Absent: Len Cannizzaro, Member at Large
Dick Chiasson, Member at Large
Peter Crawford, Events Chairman
George Huff, Member at Large
Ron Swenson, Membership/Newsletter

Administration

In the absence of Ron Swenson, Membership Chairman, Bob DiCorpo reported there are 144 members in the Club.

Jerry Tulis, Treasurer, reported total disbursements through September were \$10,154; receipts through September were \$10,056 and with cash on hand the balance in the Treasury is \$1,679. Discussion ensued on the Club's non-profit status.

Larry Bingaman distributed the minutes of the August 28, 2006 meeting and they were approved as submitted.

Website Update

After complimenting Tom Gentz, Technical Director, on the write up for the Tech Session at Meister Restorations, Ralph Hadley, Website Coordinator, led a discussion on plans to improve the Club's website. Members would be surveyed to determine which

aspects of the website they liked most; he would review other Clubs websites to incorporate the best features into our Club's site; work with Loosey Blake to develop a proposal to present to the Board on recommended changes; and, then implement those changes during the winter.

Next, Ralph discussed changing the format of listing official Club events on the website to be in bold and/or italic print to differentiate those non-Club events that might also be of interest to members. This would help support the Club policy of not having non-Club events conflict with official Club sponsored events.

Event Scheduling and Planning

Bob DiCorpo reported on the Middletown, RI, Rotary Club-sponsored annual car show on October 2 at Fort Adams in Newport, RI. Bob will send a notice to Club members that will provide information on meeting for a group drive to the car show and on the event.

Bill provided an update on the Maine trip scheduled for October 6-8; lunch on Friday will be at the Muddy Rudder in South Freeport and then shopping in Freeport with a stop at Moody's Diner for an afternoon snack. A lobster dinner will be Friday night at Chez Michelle. On Saturday, a drive will be planned to Bar Harbor. Bill was still looking for a restaurant that could accommodate the group for dinner Saturday night.

Bob next discussed the second annual joint 356/912 Club event scheduled on Saturday, October 14. Members will begin to meet at 8:00 AM at Rocky Neck State Park, exit 72 I-95, in East Lyme, CT. Bob DiCorpo and Dick Chiasson will each lead a group beginning at a site on I-195 and I-395 in Wrentham, respectively. At 11:30 AM, there will be a caravan from the Park to Dock & Dine for lunch, located on the Connecticut River in Old Saybrook, CT.

Tom Gentz then reported on the Open House to be held at George Nelson's shop on Sunday, October 29, at 11:30 AM, which will include lunch. This is a social event and not a Tech Session. Those planning to attend need to reply by October 22 for George's planning.

Jerry Tulis next reported on a car show that will be held in Hilton Head in November 2007 and will feature German cars. He then discussed the November 2-5, 2006 event and noted that about 160 cars were entered in the show. Jerry plans to attend the 2006 event and will report on it at a subsequent Board meeting for possible Club attendance in 2007.

Bob then reported on the Los Angeles Toy, Literature and Swap Meet scheduled for early 2007 in California. He commented that currently the swap meet and open house is planned for the end of February and the toy and literature meet would be the first weekend in March. Discussion ensued on the difficulty for members to attend compared to prior years when both

events were held over one weekend. Bob said he would investigate further and report to the Board and members.

Bob next suggested other events that could be held in the next few months including: a drive to Newburyport or Hampton, NH Airport October 21 or November 4 or 5; and, a visit to CB Restorations in Haverhill, MA in January or February 2007.

Bill Collins suggested that the 2007 East Coast Holiday be an official Club event to include a two-day drive there through Canada to the site in Detroit. It would be about 1,000 miles each way and he was hoping 15-20 Club members would join in the drive. The event was noted and more discussion would be undertaken as the 2007 event calendar was set.

Club Logo and Badge

Discussion on the new logo for the Club was tabled in Ron Swenson's absence. Bob noted that after the logo was finalized he would request samples of badges from one or more vendors and one would be selected based on quality and price. Once a vendor is selected, members would place their order for a badge and one consolidated order would be placed with the vendor.

Open Board Meeting

Bob reported that a few members had requested to have an open Board meeting to provide input on the Club's 2007 activities. After discussion, it was agreed to have such discussion at the November Board meeting.

Bob noted that in late January or early February the Board would still hold its annual planning meeting for the 2007 schedule, and it too was open to all TYP 356 NE members. The purpose of the November open meeting, however, is not only to review the Club's regular monthly organizational agenda, but to receive input from non-board members about the type of events to be scheduled next year, provide comments on this year's events and to discuss any other topics of importance to the Club.

Next Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be held on November 11, 2006, at 10:00 AM, at the offices of CBT, 110 Canal Street, Boston, MA.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Bingaman, Secretary

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