

TYP 356 Northeast

Board of Directors Meeting

August 4, 2008

Organization of the Meeting

The regular meeting of the TYP 356 Northeast Club Board of Directors was held at 110 Canal Street, Boston, MA, at 6:00 p.m. on August 4, 2008.

Board Attendees: Bill Collins, President
Tom Gentz, Vice President & Technical Director
Jerry Tulis, Treasurer
Ralph Hadley, Website Coordinator
Don Osborne, Spring Tourmeister
Ron Swenson, Membership/Newsletter
Norm Brust, Member at Large
Peter French, Sponsorship Coordinator
Bob DiCorpo, Member at Large
Bill Sooter, Member at Large

Absent: Larry Bingaman, Secretary
Peter Crawford, Member at Large
Dick Chiasson, Member at Large
Greg Graham, Member at Large

Administration

1. Bill Collins called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. Ron Swenson presented the Membership Report. There are currently 153 members including one renewal and 3 new members.
3. Jerry Tulis, Treasurer, submitted the Monthly Financial Report including cash balance/projected expenses/available cash as of July 31, 2008. Once again, Jerry has done an excellent job of controlling expenses. July 31, 2008 cash balance is \$4,708.00 and projected expenses thru December 31, 2008 are \$2,100.00, leaving available cash totals \$2,608.00. Despite this positive picture, Jerry expects to see future higher expenses given the current economic climate. In summary, however, the current fiscal situation of the club remains solid.

4. The minutes of the July 14, 2008 meeting, having been duly scribed by Peter French, were distributed in advance by Bill Collins and were approved.

Web Site Update

1. Ralph Hadley reported on future Website work which Loosey & Colin Blake will be undertaking, and discussed his review of other club's sites.
2. Ralph led a discussion of which pictures are posted (when submitted by members following club events) and photo retention needs versus website costs.

Tech Chair Update

1. Tom Gentz has been working on various tech session programs and will provide an update in the next meeting.

Sponsorship Update

1. Peter French had no new sponsors to report. Various sponsorship ideas were discussed, including programs of other clubs; to be continued.

ECH Lancaster, PA Update

1. With Peter Crawford's absence, no report was made. Bill Collins reported 13 members will participate.

Spring Tour, 2009 Update

1. Don Osborne provided handout materials and made a detailed presentation of sites/hotels he has investigated and visited. Under close consideration were Stowe, VT and Jackson, NH.
2. After a lively discussion of various options, the Board voted unanimously to approve the dates of June 5-7, 2009 and the location – Stowe, Vermont. The Trapp Family Lodge received unanimous approval, based upon fine food, European style hospitality, and superb location.
3. The Board unanimously directed Jerry Tulis to provide \$1,500.00 from available cash; these monies are needed to reserve the dates and blocks of rooms quoted to Don by the Trapp organization.

Old Business

Late Summer & Fall Event Update/Driving Event Update

1. Bill Collins led the discussion on this topic, with Board discussion. This busy and active club has many offerings; please check the website.
2. Norm Brust had substantial input on a fall run to Saratoga Springs; Bill Collins will put out an email to all members on this.

Loafer's Lunches/Fall Run

1. Bill Collins led a discussion of "Drive Your Porsche Day" and it was decided that Friday, September 19th was a day we all should reserve.
2. Norm Brust will put together the final plan for this event and edify us as to the historical ramifications for participating in this event, in September.

Regalia Update

1. Tom Gentz and Bill Collins gave us an update on efforts, including Land's End hats.
2. Ron Swenson advised us as to developments in the Regalia Page in the Newsletter.

Club Image Piece

1. Tom Gentz and Bill Collins updated us on efforts on the calendar efforts (now on hold) and the reprint of the *Registry* article.

New Business

Sedona Update

1. Bill had no further details to offer just now, other than to observe the *Registry* has the wrong dates; this is October. Stand by.

Mileage Challenge

1. Probably still inhaling the toxic fumes from his "Five Amigos" run to the coast, Presidente Collins will challenge the Arizona Outlaws; so, everyone, reset your odometer and plan to drive your tires into the ground for '09. We'll have great events to help you!

Christmas Party

1. A Board discussion quickly came to the obvious conclusion; we've been given such good service in the past, and the food was very nice last year, and the location is so central for everyone, and there's such a risk in finding a new venue, and, and...

2. So, it was unanimous that that Christmas Party (held in January, watch for the date) will be held at THE STOCKYARD, Allston.

Other Topics

1. Bob DiCorpo brought up the point that the *Registry* still displays our old logo; they've delayed for six months. Bill Collins will attend to this.
2. Our Tourmeister Don Osborne brought up the subject of scheduling Canterbury, NH (and the Shaker Village there) as a destination for a future drive; and the discussion quickly morphed into "picnic lunches" in the old days. Our club used to hold low cost, casual (bring your own food) lunches in the past, and given the current economic climate, this concept is right-on. Don will be promulgating more on this soon.

Next Board Meeting

1. The next meeting of the TYP 356 NE Board will be at 6:00 p.m., Monday, September 15, 2008 at Ron Swenson's office, 110 Canal Street, Boston, MA.
2. Bill Collins will confirm in an email to the Board.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Peter French, working on behalf of:
Larry Bingaman, Secretary

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