

TYP 356 Northeast

Board of Directors Meeting

October 6, 2008

Organization of the Meeting

The regular meeting of the TYP 356 Northeast Club Board of Directors was held at Boston Beer Works, 112 Canal Street, Boston, MA at 6:00 p.m. on October 6, 2008.

Board Attendees: Bill Collins, President
Tom Gentz, Vice President & Technical Director
Jerry Tulis, Treasurer
Ralph Hadley, Website Coordinator
Bob DiCorpo, Member at Large
Bill Sooter, Member at Large
Peter French, Sponsorship Coordinator & Member at Large

Absent: Larry Bingaman, Secretary
Ron Swenson, Membership/Newsletter
Don Osborne, Spring Tourmeister
Len Cannizzaro, Member at Large
Dick Chiasson, Member at Large
Greg Graham, Member at Large
Norm Brust, Member at Large

Administration

1. Bill Collins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Ron Swenson was absent; hence, no Membership Report this month.
3. Jerry Tulis, Treasurer, presented his report. The club continues to be in strong financial shape. With an October 1 cash balance of \$3,264.00 and holding possible expenses to a minimum (\$1,100.00) available cash at the end of the year could be as much as \$2,164.00 Jerry will work with Bill to determine needed items, such as additions to the club's Travel Kit.
4. Secretary's minutes – Peter French. Corrections to the September 15, 2008 minutes were approved, and are now posted. The August 4, 2008 minutes, having been distributed in advance, were approved.

5. Ralph Hadley, Website Coordinator, presented a list of activities taken, and underway, to improve the Club's site. Ralph hopes that members go to the section "What's New" to see the various activities of the Club. The site lists many new links. Expect many future improvements.
6. Tom Gentz, Tech Chair, presented an update on the typ356ne technical session to be held Saturday, October 18 at Meister Restoration, Barnstead, NH. Tom indicated he still needs questions to put to our hosts, such as: *What should I do to winterize my 356?* Or more esoteric questions are needed; our long-time sponsors Rainer Cooney and Jerry Draco are ready to share their considerable knowledge. Plus, the leaf peeping will probably still be excellent in New Hampshire!
7. Peter French presented a brief sponsorship update; one new sponsor still has not provided us the information we require to properly present them on our site, but we are working on this.
8. Bill Collins briefly reviewed the Fall Tour cancellation (watch for a springtime, 2009 rescheduling of the trip to Saratoga), and then went on to discuss, with Ralph Hadley, the very exciting – upcoming – October 26 Drive and Luncheon at Steven Leeds' home in Andover, MA. Further emails will be promulgated by Ralph in coordination with Steve. We will recognize Steve for his efforts in bringing this event to the Club's schedule.
9. With Don Osborne's absence, Bill Collins updated us on the coming together of the plans for the 2009 Spring Tour to Stowe, Vermont. We will be announcing this at the Christmas party; it promises to be a gem.

Old Business

1. A brief Board discussion of "Members at Large" led to a resolution that this important topic would be on the November agenda.
2. Bill Collins reported The Christmas Party is now confirmed for January 4, 2009 at 12:00 noon at *The Stockyard* in Allston, MA. We will be getting out the word on this widely-enjoyed event.
3. Bill Collins indicated the December 1, 2008 Board Party is still scheduled at Joe's American Grille, Dedham, MA but not finalized in planning.
4. Bill Collins brought us back to the Treasurer's Report and the probability of available cash; an upgrade to the Travel Kit is needed, including addition of a generator. Bill solicited ideas on this.
5. Bill Collins led the discussion on Regalia and issues related to our Website. Bob DiCorpo will lead the charge in asking for donations for Christmas Party items.

New Business

1. Bill Collins brought up five items for consideration, and it was decided that they constitute important items for future consideration, being:
 - a. Club Size and Publicity.
 - b. California Winter Break 2009.
 - c. Planning Meeting. This will be the forum for these topics (and possibly other topics) and the date will be January 10, 2009 at the Burlington, MA library. Bill will ask Len Cannizzaro to coordinate this.
 - d. Club Regalia Coordination.
 - e. Club Bylaws discussion.

Next Board Meeting

1. The next meeting of the Club will be at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Library, Burlington, MA. 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 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Larry Bingaman, Secretary

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