

**TYP356NE**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**November 2, 2009**

**Organization of the Meeting**

The monthly meeting of TYP356NE, attended by the Club Board of Directors, was held at The Chateau Restaurant, on Lake Winnecunit, (exit 9 off I 495), Norton, MA at 6:30 p.m., November 2, 2009.

**Board Attendees:** Bill Collins, President  
Tom Gentz, Vice President & Technical Director  
Ron Swenson, Membership/Newsletter  
Bill Sooter, Website Coordinator  
Don Osborne, Spring Tourmeister  
Peter French, Secretary (acting) & Sponsorship Coordinator  
Bob Dicorpo, Event Promoter  
Ralph Hadley, Member at Large  
Len Cannizzaro, Member at Large  
Norm Brust, Member at Large  
Allen Sisson, Director at Large  
Greg McManus, Assistant Tourmeister

(absent)

Jerry Tulis, Treasurer  
Dick Chiasson, Member at Large  
Greg Graham, Member at Large

**Administration**

1. Bill Collins called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and before calling on present members for their reports, we welcomed Greg McManus as our newest member of the Board.
2. Then, we received a tour of the Chateau site - where we deliberated holding our annual Holiday Party (January Christmas Party) on January 10, 2010. Impressed by the presentation from the Chateau staff, the Board unanimously voted to have this as our party site, 2010.

3. Ron Swenson presented his Membership Report; 157 members (at last count, as recorded in the 8.31.09 minutes) and 170 members now. This is the largest the Club has ever been, and Ron gave us a very interesting breakdown of new membership data. The interest in the Club, and in events for Club members, is obvious.
4. In Jerry Tulis' absence, Bill Collins gave us a thumbnail sketch of finances; the Club treasury is in very healthy condition, and based on this Len will be conferring with Jerry regarding the use of funds for subsidizing the Holiday Party (a "give-back" to members).
5. Peter French, Secretary (acting) reported: The minutes of the August 31, 2009, Board of Directors Meeting, having been distributed in advance of today's meeting, were approved. In his additional role in Club sponsorship, Peter reported no new developments.
6. Bill Sooter reported on developments in his new role as Website Coordinator. He has received no complaints to items which have been changed; the Board specifically discussed the outstanding efforts of Loosey & Colin Blake over the last year, and recognition for the same.
7. Tom Gentz had no Tech Chair items to report.
8. Don Osborne presented his work on the Spring Tour, 2010. Don had given us prior information on The Sagamore Resort, located on Lake George (Bolton Landing), NY. Based on problems discovered, this option is off the table. In his presentation this evening, Don outlined his thoughts based on his research into the Mt. Washington Resort (Bretton Woods, NH), which is managed by Omni, and the Mountain View Grand (Whitefield, NH), which was the site of the 2003 tour.

### **Old Business**

1. Len Cannizzaro presented his wrap-up to his monumental work on the bylaws revisions; these were approved previously by a unanimous vote of the Board, and were posted for 30 days for review and comment by the Members. The Board, having received no comments by the Members, voted again (tonight) their approval of the bylaws. And the Board gave a round of applause to Len for his very hard work in this.

2. Bill Collins discussed the December (12.7.09) Board meeting.
3. A group discussion took place on the topic of Club name tags. Following his installation, Tom will work with Ron on this.

### **New Business**

1. The new Board officer composition was presented by Tom Gentz. He outlined the proposed slate in accordance with the new bylaws, with a final email to the members scheduled for December. The 2010 Board:

President: Tom Gentz  
Vice President: Ralph Hadley  
Secretary/Sponsorship Coordinator: Peter French  
Treasurer: Jerry Tulis  
Newsletter Editor: Ron Swenson  
Membership Chair:  
Technical Coordinator: Tom Tate  
Spring Tourmeister: Don Osborne  
Assistant Spring Tourmeister: Greg McManus  
Website Coordinator: Bill Sooter  
Event Promoter: Bob DiCorpo  
Directors at Large: Norm Brust  
Bill Collins  
John Favaloro  
Allen Sisson  
Lou Frate

2. A discussion (led by Tom Gentz) of the Membership Chair position followed. Various ways in which different IT programs could make this an easier task (versus that which Ron Swenson has faced over the years) were discussed. Tom directed that Bill Sooter will head a Committee on this, with Ron and Bob DiCorpo as spearheading members.
3. Bill Collins outlined the CA Toy & Literature Show scheduled for March 6-7, 2010. Reach Bill if you are interested in attending.
4. Bob DiCorpo will actively solicit members to donate Porsche related items – for door prizes – for our annual Holiday Party in January.

### **Future Board Meeting Dates**

The next Board meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, December 7, at Joe's American Grill, Dedham, MA.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter French, Secretary (acting)  
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