

Mid-Missouri Corvette Club  
Meeting Minutes  
January 18, 2015

The meeting was held at Jose Jalapeno's restaurant in Columbia.

The meeting was called to order by Jay Armistead. Jay gave the President's report.

The Secretary's report was not given due to the absence of Laurie Grimes. No minutes were taken from last two meetings, so none were offered for approval.

The Vice-President's report was not given due to the absence of Frank DiBlasi. If anyone has suggestions for future meeting locations, please send them to Frank.

The Treasurer's report was not given due to the absence of David Sleper.

New Business:

Doc Plue gave a report of 2014 annual activity at the National Corvette Museum. Doc gave a couple pieces of NCM mail to Jay: 1) a packet of six (6) tickets for admission to the NCM, valued at \$10.00 each, valid until 12/31/2015, and 2) information on the NCM "Club Visit Package," which is a NCM visit for Corvette clubs to schedule in advance, and includes a guided NCM tour, Corvette Assembly Plant tour, boxed lunch from the Corvette Café, and special commemorative hard card with lanyard. Jay will forward information to members on all of this via email soon.

MMCC Website – Robert and Deanna DePriest are taking leave from the Club. The Club will need to find someone to take over the responsibility of managing and updating the website. This is an ongoing search, and we are open to any comments and suggestions.

Jay presented a plaque to the DePriests, with appreciation for their 17 years of contribution to the Club, and for their ongoing assistance with the website. All members joined in applause and in offering their thanks.

Membership dues – The Club discussed a lifetime membership option. The goal is to establish an amount prior to the 2015 renewal date. Jay asked for input from members on an equitable amount. Also, the question has been raised about any tax or other liability for the Club holding money at year-end, should several members pay a lifetime fee. This will be an ongoing discussion. Jay stated that the MMCC membership dues were very inexpensive compared to most other clubs. Another suggestion was offered by Angie Vaughan that the Club might consider increasing the annual dues, to something like \$50 per year, and to put a portion of the money toward a "flower fund," with that money to be used to purchase flowers, greeting cards, etc., for funeral services and well wishes for immediate family members of Club members.

Corvette Cup – Don Martin (not present) and Tommy Mallory will co-chair the 2015 Cup committee, and they are asking to mentor someone to chair next year. No one has stepped up as of yet for next year.

Club members are urged to please go ahead and register for the Cup in advance at this time. The Club will need to pay for the location in advance of the event, so having as much money as possible collected in advance will be very helpful.

Committees – Jay is going to email Don’s committee list as of the current date, and will ask for volunteers to fill the vacancies in committees. The auction is one area that needs to be filled, and Lewis VanHouten indicated Mary Ellen has committed to taking over the auction.

We discussed auction items, and requested that members begin to seek and collect Corvette-related items for the auction as soon as possible.

Hotel rooms are guaranteed available at a discount rate until March 2<sup>nd</sup> and are subject to availability after that date.

For our February 15, 2015 meeting, the suggestion was made that the Club visit Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center to take a quick tour of the facility and to get a feel for the layout. Jay will confer with the hotel and will follow up with the Club soon.

The Club had a giveaway of a “Surf City Garage” detailing pack donated by Gary and Nancy Hollander of Linn Creek, MO – Jay had one person per car write their name on a piece of paper, and Gen’s daughter drew Ed Sneed’s name from the hat.

Scott Blume spoke about member John Johnson being hospitalized recently, though indications were that he might go home on Monday, 1/19.

A suggestion was made for a Club road trip to Iowa this summer to visit several large Corvette and classic car museums. Details to follow, but we should pick a date and plan for the trip in advance.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Grimes  
Secretary