

BOARD MEETING

July 31, 2023, 6:00pm, O'Charley's, Maryville, Tennessee

Attendees: Terry Hoy, Donna Hoy, Wendy Havlock, Scott Havlock, Diane Owens, Tom Owens, Delores Smith, Eric Smith, Sally Morgan

Terry will plan to ask for Board volunteers at the membership meeting each month. He suggested that next month each Board member speak to the membership a little bit about their job and what each entail.

Terry has already combined some positions, those being President with Webmaster, Treasurer with Membership. Terry mentioned that Miguel is in the middle of moving so he is filling in for him.

Terry is wondering if we should move elections to December vs January. This was tabled until later because we should meet quorum but also want to start the year fresh with a new board. A Christmas election might discourage members from attending the party.

Terry talked about combining all RSVPs into one site only to make it easier on Communications and how this can be accomplished on FB and on the website.

Wendy brought two cards for members to sign for Connie Rose who had surgery this past Friday. We will pass them around the membership meeting.

Donna stated that we have \$644.19 in the checking account. The largest outlays this month were renewing the post office box yearly rental, paying for our club insurance, and reimbursing Smith's for the food for our 7/2 gathering.

Diane and Terry are planning to have a meeting after the membership meeting for anyone wanting to learn how to navigate FB or our website. Diane had nothing else to add.

Eric described the upcoming drive on 8/19 that Michael Ensor is leading to Harlan, KY; nothing really planned drive wise for September; Havlocks are considering leading a drive to Burt's Pumpkin Patch in GA on either 10/7 or 10/14; Miami of Ohio club will be here on 10/28 and would like to do a joint drive; On 11/4 Mike DeLaurentis is planning a drive to Crossville.

Sally outlined upcoming events including the Ice Cream Social at Hobbs house on 8/13 with a trivia scavenger movie. She suggested that the club give Hobbs a \$25 gift card as well as pay for a prize for the trivia winner. She also talked about the 9/2 Miata Homecoming Midwest gathering near Dayton on 9/2; the 9/16 scenic cruise on the Star of Knoxville on the Tennessee River; an event the weekend of 9/29-10/1 at Talladega to watch the truck race and Nascar race and then drive laps on the track for \$75 each person, to be arranged by members and not through the club; 10/26-29 Miami Valley of Ohio visit; 10/28 the Halloween party at the Womack's; 11/12 Chili Cook off at Dave Clark's; 11/20 Auction and Bake Sale which she described the three options and we loosely voted to return to O'Charley's; 12/9 Christmas party at location to be determined but probably O'Charley's also and monthly meetings at O'Charley's on 1/29 and 2/26/24.

It became so loud with members arriving and socializing that the Board meeting adjourned at 6:35pm. The noise level will need to be addressed for the future meeting because neither Tom nor Scott had the option to contribute.

General membership meeting started at 7:20pm

New members Missi and John Voss, Charlotte and Darrell Franchuk, and Joy and Rich NewVine introduced themselves and their Miatas. Potential member Harlan Saperstein also introduced himself and said he is looking for a Miata to purchase.

Terry told us that we have \$644.19. He also said that most of the Board is planning to retire at the end of the year and other members should be thinking about a position they might like to volunteer to fill. They are welcome to sit in on our

next Board meeting to learn more about what we do. He also mentioned that we may decide to move the election from January to December instead to start the new year fresh. He wants to see both the activities and driving coordinators get more suggestions from the general membership instead of having to do all the planning themselves as it has become so time intensive for those positions. Terry and Diane will be happy to have a class on maneuvering around our FaceBook page and the website for anyone interested.

Scott talked about the upcoming weekend activities at Miatas at the Gap at Fontana Village starting on Thursday and ending Sunday. He will be leading a drive from Maryville on Saturday morning from RiteStop to Fontana Village starting around 7:45am before traffic gets too heavy. The Womacks will also be staying at Fontana Village all weekend and Dave Clark will be making day trips and all of them can answer questions about this event also.

Marilyn Finley talked about the Blues Cruise on 8/6 on the Knoxville Star which is a paddle wheeler. You must buy your own tickets and should arrive around 3pm if you want a seat in the air conditioning. The tour is from 4-7pm.

Sally told us about The Ice Cream Social at Hobb's and an RSVP is required and will include a virtual rally with a prize for the winner. She will be ferrying folks from the bottom of the Hobbs home because of their step driveway. 9/2 is the event with the Miami Valley of Ohio group near Dayton; on 9/16 she is planning a scenic river cruise from 6/8pm; weekend of 9/29-10/1 is the event at Talladega; 10/28 Halloween party at the Womack's; 11/12 Chili Cook off at Dave Clarks; 11/20 our annual Bake sale and Auction.

Mike Ensor talked about the drive he is leading on 8/19 to Harlan, KY to drive the Dragon Slayer and Kingdom Come State Park and a stop for lunch at a local brewery afterwards.

The raffle was held, and Dave Clark won a refrigerator magnet and the Newvine's won a car wash kit.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.