

Finger Lakes Region (FLK)

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

Board of Directors Meeting

January 17, 2025

Present: Paul Corter* Laura Butler* Jim Butler
Craig Urciuoli* Neil Freson* Luis Martinez*
Cindy Urciuoli Kathie Freson John Kaemmerlen*
Ron Halpenny*

*Voting member

This meeting was conducted in person.

1. Treasurer's Report - Laura Butler

Laura handed out copies of a summary of activity along with a receipts and disbursements report for the year 2024. After brief discussion, the report was unanimously approved.

2. Membership Report - John Kaemmerlen

January 2024 began with 137 members + 85 affiliates = 222. January 2025 began with 135 + 84 = 219, for a decrease of 3 over the year. Membership for the year, and probably for all prior years, peaked at 226 in April. John continues to contact each just-lapsed member and to also email each new member to welcome them to the chapter. The year end membership report was unanimously approved.

3. Charity Report - Gini Albertalli via Paul Corter

In Gini's absence, Paul read the recommendations for 2025 from Gini's January 14 email to the Board. The charity report was unanimously approved.

4. Zone 1 Presidents Meeting - Paul Corter

A. Held Nov. 9 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Albany Airport

B. 2024 is Rico Diaz's last year as Zone 1 Rep

C. Mike Bryan (Previous Rep) has stepped up for 1 Year term

D. National event highlights

- Treffen at Sea – from Aug 30 – Sep 6 2025 will celebrate PCA's 70th anniversary. Will sail from NYC to Halifax

- Spring 2025 Treffen will be at Omni Homestead Resort in VA

C. 2025 Zone 1 Events

- Autocross – looking to move the event back to August and may consider a joint event at Pocono raceway.

- Concours & Rally – No event planned for 2025

- Boardwalk Reunion – Oct 18, Registration opens Aug 1. Photos and details of 2024 event can be seen at www.boardwalkreunion.org

- Clash at the Glen Club Race – June 6-8. Rico will be event chair. 2025 format will provide a DE component, additional sprint races as well as an enduro which will maximize our track usage over the full 3 day period.

- Fall Getaway – No event planned for 2025
- Zone 1 will have 4 Club Races in 2025. Initiatives to understand how to boost participation in DE, A/X, Sim Racing as feeders to Club Racing.

The Zone 1 meeting report was unanimously approved.

5. Succession Planning - Paul Corter

The positions of all four elected officers are open for the 2026-27 term. We are open to candidates for any of the offices, even though there are prospective candidates willing to fill three of the positions: President - Craig Urciuoli; Secretary - Laura Butler; Treasurer - Jim Butler.

6. 2025 Event Planning - Paul Corter

April 6 - Annual New Members Meeting (Palm Sunday April 13, Easter April 20)

A. Quote from 41 LakeFront

- Room charge - \$300
- Food up \$2.00 per person (\$22.95 to 24.95)
- Total this year is **\$1,643.87** up \$105.20 (\$1,538.67 to \$1,643.87)
- With National Subsidy of \$500 our cost will be \$1,143.80

B. Quote from Ventosa Vineyards

- Room charge \$150
- **Lunch Buffet \$32.95 /PP (40) \$1,318)**
- Est Cost (1,468 + tax \$117.44 + Service \$263.60 = **\$1,849.04**)
- With National Subsidy of \$500 our cost will be \$1349.04

It was approved unanimously to meet at Ventosa Vineyards.

March 8 - Cars & Coffee at Leo's

April 12 - Cars & Coffee Southern Tier (**Maybe Cancel This**)

April 27 - Lap day at WGI & Luncheon – Luis to make arrangements for the track time and Paul to arrange the lunch reservations at Kookalarocs.

April 30-May 3 - Treffen at Omni Homestead, VA

May (???????)

June 6-8 - Zone 1 Clash at the Glen

June 7 - FLK Clash Luncheon

June 8 - Lima German Fest car show (with Niagara Region)

June 21 - Driving Tour to Three Brothers Winery

July 9 - Dinner Meetup at The Cove Restaurant – Hotel Canandaigua

July 20 - Show & Taste – Wagner Winery (actual date TBD))

Aug 13 - Dinner Meetup at Main Deck, PennYan

Aug 23 - FLK Region picnic

Sept 5 - Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival, Porsche is the featured marque.

Sept 13 - Possible PCA 70th Anniversary party at Garber Porsche, Craig to pursue

Sept 21 - Wings & Wheels Show in Hammondsport

Oct 11 - Car Show with the Corning Rotary Club, 10 am – 6pm (???)

Oct 18 - Leaf Peepin Lunch at Elmira CC (need to confirm)

Oct 18 - Zone 1 & 2 Boardwalk Reunion in OC NJ

TBD - Driving tour to IMRRC to present the FLK donation

TBD - Tech Demo at Eksten Autoworks or The Little Speed Shop, Luis to investigate

7. Additional Discussion, New and Old Business - all

- Ron Halpenny was welcomed to the Board as Social Media Chair
- Paul proposed that we subscribe to Flickr for \$49.99/year so that we'd have unlimited photo storage for the FLK web site. The limit is 1000 photos with the free version of Flickr. The expenditure was unanimously approved.
- The Zoho meeting app subscription that Paul (not the Region) has been paying for will be canceled as of January 25. Craig will investigate Discord and other free virtual meeting apps.
- Both Craig and Ron have 2-way radio sets that may be used for driving tours.
- Porsche Clash - Neil noted that the WGI catering menu won't be available for a few weeks yet. We'll need the menu to decide on pricing and menu selections for the event.
- The agenda for the April 6 New Members Meeting will include announcement of the need to fill the vacancy in the office of Vice President, and member participation in expanding and refining our 2025 event calendar.

Submitted by Neil Freson 01-29-2025