



## Maverick Region January 2018 Board Minutes

By Carey Spreen, Region Secretary

The meeting began at 7:02 pm. President David Robertson started out by saying that 2017 was a good year for us, and 2018 will be fantastic. There is a lot of enthusiasm for our events, and we expect the All Member Party (Saturday, January 27), which is the first event of the year, to boost that enthusiasm.

David had new Board positions to announce. Debi Gibson will be taking over as Social Chair on February 1; Deborah Fike is our new Treasurer; and Carey Spreen is the incoming Secretary.

PCA National Award nominations are due shortly, including Enthusiast of the Year and Family of the Year. Bill Orr was mentioned as a potential Enthusiast of the Year, and we will be entering *Slipstream* and our website, [mav.pca.org](http://mav.pca.org), in the Newsletter and Website contests as always.

The club has been experiencing continued interest in volunteering from members both new and “experienced;” David asked that the event chairs let Volunteer Chair Jimmy Gallegos know if they would like more volunteer assistance. Region membership had a net gain of 104 for 2017, including a net increase of 82 primary members.

Outgoing Region Treasurer Rich Solomon is stepping down after serving for three years. David presented him with a Porsche clock in recognition of his contribution to the Region. Rich gave us the year-end Treasurer’s Report, part of which noted that we have over \$166,000 accounted for in our money market, PayPal, and bank accounts. See the year-end financial statement published in the February 2018 *Slipstream* for more details.

There is also now a Quickbooks online account set up, which will be a better accounting method than the one used in the past. Also, since Deborah Fike needed to be set up as an official signer of checks, a motion was made and seconded to approve her as a check signer, which was voted on and passed unanimously. Any reimbursements from the club will be handled by Rich through January 15, after which Deborah will take over.

David also reminded the board that the region needs to have transparency with our funds, and asked that the Event Chairs submit budgets for the upcoming year, as well as job descriptions that explain the duties of each position so as to ease the transition to new chairpersons. David finished his report by announcing that the 2018 Zone 5 Presidents’ Meeting will take place in Little Rock on February 17.

*Slipstream* Editor Jim Hirsch requested that the Event Chairs provide a brief preview of their event schedules so that they can be published in the region magazine.

Region Secretary Carey Spreen noted that the *Slipstream* archives have all been digitized, and provided Bill Orr with a portable hard drive containing all of the PDF files produced by the University of North Texas Libraries Digital Projects Unit, meaning that we can now provide the entire 54-year history of *Slipstream* online in a searchable format.

At David's request, Tom Gomer presented a DVD copied from a VHS tape of the 1987 D/FW Parade for posterity.

Outgoing Social Chair Tracy Robertson reminded us that the annual All Member Party will take place on Saturday, January 27 at the Hackberry Creek Country Club in Irving, the same place we hold our Board meetings. She asked all board members and Event Chairs to attend, so as to greet new members and answer any questions they may have about our various events. Based on last year's attendance, Tracy expects about 300 attendees. Autobahn Porsche has graciously offered to underwrite the party, which we greatly appreciate! Tracy is looking for ideas as to what to display at the party, and recommended that any board member or chair who does not have Maverick Region business cards to request some to hand out.

PCA Store Chair Chris Flaugh will have 300 more Maverick logo and 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary stickers printed to give out at upcoming events.

Tech Chair Michael Baynton reminded us of the upcoming Tech Session about lubricants, to take place on the morning of Saturday, January 27, noting that there would be a limit of 50 attendees. Michael is working on two more Tech Sessions in the near future.

Vice President Jim Falgout gave Event Chairs a heads-up that he needs to request event insurance three weeks before the event for the insurance requests to be processed in time.

Bill Orr has begun sending out Maverick Minute emails on the first of each month as a quick reminder to our members about upcoming events and gatherings.

Rally Co-Chair Don Sebert announced that he and Co-Chair George Luxbacher plan to put on another one of their popular Easter Rallies, looking at either the last Saturday in March or the first Saturday in April as the target date.

Jeff Sebert updated us on his investigation into using the former "Raptor track" just south of Eagles Canyon Raceway, near Slidell. This is an off-road circuit that the Ford Raptor club used several years ago, but has since begun to grow over. Jeff is considering ways to resurrect the off-road course in an effort to put on another Porsche SUV off-road event there. Bill Orr offered to set up an on-line poll to ask members what type of event they would participate in with their 4-door Porsches. DE instructor Dan Amado suggested that one DE session (with instructors available) be devoted to 4-door Porsches only, while Michael Baynton suggested a full day DE for 4-doors, assuming there is enough interest.

Autocross Chair Mark Schnoerr announced that the Equipe Rapide autocross awards banquet takes place on Saturday, January 20, at 7 pm at the Castle Hills Country Club in The Colony. A few Mavericks will be receiving awards! Autocross 1 for this year is February 26 at Lone Star Park. There will be a total of ten events this year, including three "mirrorcross" events at the MineralRing (Mineral Wells Airport).

Tour Co-Chairs Mark Pitarresi and Tom Gomer reported that Maverick Region tours are already in compliance with all of PCA's minimum driving tour standards for 2018. Amongst these standards are the

need to have each driver to keep in sight the vehicle ahead and behind, and to require co-drivers (i.e. navigators) in each lead and sweep vehicle in groups of 15 or more vehicles. Our tours will limit the number of vehicles to 14 per group to avoid the co-driver requirement. Mark and Tom are also considering having a "vintage" tour group for lower-powered cars and for drivers that want to proceed at a more leisurely pace.

"Apprentice" Derrick Tate took this opportunity to publicly thank Bill Kruder for his continued mentorship.

Advertising Manager Bill Kruder noted that there are three *Slipstream* advertisers whose payments are late. He told us that most of the 2018 Mavs & Mochas will take place on the second Saturday of each month, and are now all scheduled through the end of the year. Upcoming events are on January 13 in Southlake, featuring 20 years of the 996; February 10 at Watters Creek in Allen, featuring the 993; March 10 at Zims Autotechnik, featuring 50 years since the introduction of the 914; April 14 at Nordstrom in Northpark, featuring Porsches from the 1960s. A special Mavs & Mochas on June 9 will celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Porsche as a manufacturer.

Concours Chair Mike Mahoney has plans for judged Concours d'Elegance events in March and September of this year, as well as People's Choice events in June and December.

Rich Solomon, who is based in Tyler, announced that Billy Hibbs, owner of Le Auto Grange, an impressive car collection in that city, would like to put on another event similar to the one he put on in 2014. Details to come.

Volunteer Chair Jimmy "Jimmyg" Gallegos discussed the possibility of providing "swag" for new volunteers. He has 12 potential volunteers at the moment, and will write an article for *Slipstream* highlighting events that need volunteers.

To wrap up, David announced the Maverick of the Month: Ginger Heuerman, who created the Porsche quilt that was raffled off at Founders Day. The club collected a total of \$1690 for the quilt, with that amount being donated to the Patriot Paws charity. Congratulations to Ginger!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.