2021-APR-20 TRC Business Meeting Final Minutes

Call to order: 6:39 PM

Members present: Eric Anderson, Glen Dayton, Dave Graubart, Abby Grossman,

Ed Slintak, Dean Stanton, Cris Wendt; Ken Johnson

Agenda for current meeting: Approved

Minutes from previous meeting: January and February approved.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

* President: (Ed) None * Vice President: (Abby) None

* Secretary: (Dean) Minutes and reminders sent & resent

* Treasurer: (Dave) \$4806.41 \$4861.41 including \$55 in stamps

- Reimbursed \$20 to Dean for CA SoS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- * Insurance (Cris Wendt):
- We now have info on our insurance for 2021.
- Action Item: Eric to tell Dave what our active membership is.
- Action Item: Dave to pay our annual insurance fee.
- Per-rallye cost is now \$200.
- * Awards (Darin)
- Darin's "Notes on a Car Rallye" awards looked nice.
- * Database Chair (Eric Anderson)
- * Publicity (TBD):
- Need a new Publicity Chair.
 - Al without an owner: Modernize duties listed in Operating Procedures.
- * Webmaster:
- Migration in progress, off Steve Watt's server to IONOS. All the components we need are available. Then we can change the domain.
 - Website changes later.
 - HTML part of Website has been cloned to TheRallyeClub.info temporarily.
 - Ric and Steve Watt discussing moving the MediaWiki.
 - What about email lists like trc-events? Move to Google Groups or groups.io?
 - Use groups.io for internal lists? We don't need the email history very badly.
 - Use MailChimp for our large (online and in-person) event announcements?
 - Action Item: Ric to schedule a meeting about email lists (eventually).

- Expect the website entirely rehosted by end of May.

PAST EVENT(S) REPORT

- * April Dave and Cris: Opening Day (online)
 - 33 cars. 27 finish (a high percentage).
 - Spread all over US.
 - Attendance down, maybe because of puzzle hunt conflict.
 - Survey:
- More than half didn't attend rallye school, which is fine.
- May be a bit too long. Most people spent lots of time on the event.
- Only one gimmick that no one got: Full credit at Van Buren: RI before you pass the sign.
- A/I Dean: Send info on Classes and Advancement to Abby & CC others. [DONE after Meeting]

NEXT EVENT(S) REPORT

- * 2021-06-05: "The Office" Rallye. Ken with help from Dean and Eric.
 - Dave Graubart to precheck, perhaps this weekend.
 - Dave is also willing to HelpDesk, CP, and/or scoring.
 - Pete will precheck?
 - Ken has ideas for flyer and an Actors Fund or similar charity. Cris to prep flyer.
 - Noon start again.
 - Record the "rallye school" for access during the day(s) before the rallye?
 - Offer "Office Hour" at Noon or thereabouts? Forward useful Qs & As?

OPEN DATES

- * Goal: to schedule each even-numbered month.
- * 2021-08-07: Talk Like a Pirate Rallye (Eric, A/B, in-person rallye)?
- * 2021-10-02: John Kleder Memorial Rallye, Dean and Eric with help from others
- Eric to find a John Kleder rallye to rethrow (even if it's a CM rallye).
- * 2021-12-04: Does Darin want to write an online Toy rallye?
 - Dave will be "Plan B" for Toy Rallye.

POTENTIAL RALLYEMASTERS

Offer rallyes to rethrow and mentors (Abby, Ed, Dave, Dean, Cris).

- A/I: Eric: Send Jeffrey Martin email to Abby. [DONE during meeting]
- Abby: Ask if Jeffrey Martin will write a rallye for 2021. [DONE]
- Jeffrey may write a rallye for 2022. A/I: Dave to contact him to get him started.
 - A/I: Ken to talk to four or so potential RMs found during Opening Day.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- * New membership class? [Tabled for now]
- * 501-C(7) status
 - Dean to Sec of State: DONE before end of March deadline.
 - Dave to fill out and submit IRS Form 990-N for IRS and 199-N for California.
- * Eric gathering rallye archives
 - Bill Jonesi's rallye archive
 - Steve Watt to deliver another box of old rallyes?
- * Trip to Bank for new signature card in 2021?
 - Announce rallyes on multiple platforms. We need to keep track so we can make updates and cancellations.
 - Southern California rallye Facebook group
 - Puzzle hunt calendar (puzzlehuntcalendar.com)
 - Blue Matter Games (in Auburn).
- All: email rallye announcement instructions to Dean.
- Dean will update wiki.
- * Next postal mailing? Do we need to continue mailings?
- Email in-person rallyists (from past few years) before restarting in-person rallye.
- Announce that we'll add people to our events mailing list unless they opt out.
- Darin AI: Design postcards for next physical mailing (perhaps for August, 2021 TLaP).
- * Extend TRC's computer scoring program for A/B rallyes
 - Glen agreed to look into the practicality of extending TRC's computer scoring program for A/B rallyes, likely rewriting it in Python or something more modern.
 - The online access is down missing. Glen asked Nick where the sources are.
 - Dean may have a copy on the (old) TRC computers, if needed.

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

ACTION ITEMS

Abby:

- Look into a TheRallyeClub[OfSiliconValley] group on Discord.

Cris:

- Prep flyer for June's "The Office" rallye with Ken.
- Dave to pay our annual insurance fee (after Eric gives our membership).
- Discuss "Remote or Virtual" Members with ESCA and/or our new Insurance company.

Darin:

- Design postcards for next physical mailing (perhaps June, 2021).
- Decide if you have bandwidth to write an online Toy rallye (perhaps in your new Knoxville area).

Dave:

- Contact Jeffrey Martin to get him started writing a rallye for 2022.
- Dave is "Plan B" if Darin is too busy to write an online Toy Rallye for 2021.
- Dave, as Treasurer, to attempt to complete the applicable portions of Dave to fill out and submit IRS Form 990-N for IRS and 199-N for California, as time allows. Ric may be able to help.

Dean:

- Pending: Deliver equipment (parts) to Ed.
- Deliver old rallyes from Darin to Eric.
- Pending: Try KRTY community calendar again when Talk Like a Pirate Rallye is rescheduled.
- Pending: Recreate or update Facebook announcement for Talk Like a Pirate Rallye when it is rescheduled.

Eric:

- Find a John Kleder rallye to rethrow (even if it's a CM rallye).
- Tell Dave what our active membership is.
- Expect Steve Watt to deliver another box of old rallyes or pick them up from him.
- Contact Patrick Olsen (Bill Jonesi's roommate) regarding Bill's archive of old rallyes.
- Pending: Dump database for Dean to send postcards before next in-car rallye.
- Pending: Try putting flyers in coffee shops for Talk Like a Pirate Rallye when rescheduled.
- Pending: Contact the church down Cuesta from the start before TLaP?

Glen:

 Add yourself to trc-board (which is probably part of trc-business) at http://www.watt.com/mailman/listinfo/trc-board When you have the sources, look into the practicality of extending TRC's computer scoring program for A/B rallyes, likely rewriting it in Python or something more modern.

Ric:

- Prototype movement of TRC's web site off of watt.com (Ric predicted by May).
- Ric to schedule a meeting about email lists (eventually)
- Background task: get TRC higher in Google's search results.
- Pending: Look into modernizing the look of our web site.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

* Adjourned: 7:58

* Next business meeting: 6:30 PM, Tuesday, 18MAY2021; online.