

2 September 2025 TRC Business Meeting Minutes

Cris Wendt – President	✓	Jeff Young – Director	✓
Ric Goldman – Vice President	✓	Matt Poppe - Director	✓
Kat King – Secretary	✓	Ken Johnson - Director	✓
Dave Graubart - Treasurer	✓	Eric Anderson - Database Chair (formerly Membership)	
Dean Stanton - Guest	✓	Kit	
Frank Hays			

Call to order: 6:38 pm

Agenda for current meeting:

- Minutes from previous meetings: August 2025 minutes are approved.
- Reminder: Minutes are due within 10 days of the meeting.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President (Cris):

- Cris and Dave will check 'About Us' on the website for most of this stuff: https://therallyeclub.org/about_us.htm. Refining of roles and responsibilities of appointed positions to be done after Feb rallye. (Unchanged from February.)

Everyone should look at the changes and prepare to discuss in October. **Cris** posted working copy of the operating procedures (which has 'about us' information).

- **Need a backup for Ric in order to ensure timely event posting**
- Need to establish a calendar of what needs to be done and when. Including organizational deadlines (taxes, filing, nominations, election related, guidelines, filings, budget, etc.) (A file now exists with most of this done but it still needs elections for Rallyes info.)

Vice President (Ric): No report

Secretary (Kat): No report

Treasurer (Dave): \$5,604.46 at B of A; \$5,679.46 total. (No changes by Sept meeting.)

Budget - Dave anticipates us coming to the end of the year up \$400.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Insurance

- No outstanding actions until next year.

Awards Chair (Eric)

- Not present.

Database (formerly Membership) Chair (Eric Anderson, not present):

- Eric has ideas to improve online registration and paying for IRL rallyes.
- QR code on score sheet or GIs that lets people enter their car number and return (giving us their email address).
- Cris to ask Eric for reports before the meeting (10 days)

Publicity (Kat King)

- We need publicity and activities designed to bring first timers AND get them back for a second time.
- Kat needs to figure out what the best platform for a calendar with her schedule for posting so that everyone else is up to date on what she does. ("Facebook seems to have the most interaction so I do that the most.")
 - Dave is going to try setting up a calendar folder.

Webmaster (Ric Goldman)

- Working on an update and a port for the Wiki. Progress proceeding apace.
- WordPress migration delayed but should work on it more after the port. Some progress made, prepping for wiki port.
- We need to have Dave give us a demo of what the membership looks like under the hood.
- Needs to report on what soft copies are needed still.

Equipment:

- Jeff to upload pictures to the Drive
- Cris has listed on shared drive

PAST EVENT(S) REPORT

2025-08-02 Emil, Mary Jo, and Kit (in person) - The Search for Terrestrial Intelligence

- Soft copy for Ric?

NEXT EVENT(S) REPORT

2025-10-04 Jeff's traditional October rallye (in person)

- Writing almost finished.

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- Ken to continuing squishing bugs.
- Abby and Glen to work CP.
- Ken, Dean, Jill working on precheck.
- Eric will do registration, awards.
- Finish line needs to be called and confirmed. (St John's)

2025-12-06 Ric Rallyists in Toyland? (Online)

- Needs to add theming, but has guts.
- Needs someone to precheck/meet with. Jeff and Ken to precheck in Oct.
- Will be in Hawaii on the 6th. Not ideal but still possible.

OPEN DATES

Goal: to schedule each even-numbered month.

- In-person rallyes should state: Neighborhood(s), Registrar(s), CP worker(s), whether CP signs or other tools are needed.

Begin 2026 planning

- April, August, December
- Emil and Kit interested in running rallye in 2026, June 13th.
- Dave and Cris running February.
- Jeff to potentially run his annual October rallye.

POTENTIAL RALLYEMASTERS

- Offer rallyes to rethrow and mentors (Abby, Ed, Dave, Dean, Cris).
- Rallye partnerships to co-write rallies?
- Ken talking to Brian Andersen, Gil Milbauer, Wei-Hwa Huang, and Nick Cravotta. (Rich Berlin was also asked and had a morbid response... We'll check back later.)
- Linus and Daniel have started a Cambridge, MA rallye. Restarted, about 10 RIs he's happy with. (Daniel sent Ken a first draft quite some time ago. April 2026?)
- Kat is thinking of a wine themed rallye (short), also about to start on Flash Gordon rallye (social media focused). Found streets for wine rallye. Have maps printed.
- We might be able to rethrow more CM rallyes with the new virtual CM technology that Kit created.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

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ACTION ITEMS

All

- Read these minutes. Send any changes to all of us or make changes directly to the doc.
- Schedule training session with Kit on virtual CM program (request to record the training.)

Cris

- Work on About Us with Dave (mostly done). "It's in the shared folder."
- Email Dave and Ric about Dave being a backup for Ric on IT issues.
- Working on Wizard of Oz themed in February.

Dave:

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Dean:

- None.

Eric:

- Integrate Frank's attendee list from Dec rallye and August rallye list
- Consider moving the membership DB to WP database using Paid Memberships Pro.
- Prepare a box of old rallyes for Ric to pick up while local to scan and keep. Not ready yet. (Not done@February.)
- Make a sign for physical rallye starts saying "whitelist our domain in your mail program."
- Check wiki says that RM needs to collect email addresses & how they heard about us.

Frank:

- Done.

Jeff:

- Work with Ken on October.

Kat:

- To send rallye media to Dean.
- Post the rallye school from October as a sample (with a disclaimer).
- Edit and post video from October rallye, perhaps with Cap Cut.
- Reach out to MeetUp groups to see if they'd be interested in posting our events as well.

Ken:

- Work with Linus and Daniel on their Cambridge rallye.

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- Work with Ric on Toyland Rallye (tentatively Dec 25, formerly March).
- Work with Jeff on October.

Matt:

- Think up a theme for potential tentative future Matt/Ken rallye that might be happening, eventually. Maybe. If we're lucky.

Ric (see also Webmaster):

- Have full rallye package to send to Ken by Oct 4.
- Look into permissions for Gdrive.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Adjourned: 7:52 PM
- Next business meeting: 6:30 PM, first Tuesday, 7 October, on **Zoom**.