

2021-MAY-25 TRC Business Meeting Final Minutes

Call to order: 6:37 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
- * Treasurer: (Dave) \$4806.41 \$4861.41 including \$55 in stamps
 - No transactions since last month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- * Insurance (Cris Wendt):
 - Action Item: Eric to tell Dave what our active membership is. [DONE in April Meeting]
 - Action Item: Cris to send Dave email and postal address for Claudia of ESCA and the per-member fee for this year.
 - Action Item: Dave to pay our annual insurance fee for the 28 members (23 regular and 5 associates) we had at end of 2020.
 - Per-rallye cost is now \$200.
- * Awards (Darin)
 - Darin's "Notes on a Car Rallye" awards looked nice.
- * Database Chair (Eric Anderson)
 - No progress on database. What shall we do with the online-only rallyist info?
 - Expand invitation to all our database members? Or trc-events?
- * Publicity (TBD):
 - Need a new Publicity Chair.
 - AI without an owner: Modernize duties listed in [Operating Procedures](#).
- * Webmaster:
 - Migration in progress, off Steve Watt's server to IONOS.
 - Action Item: Ric to schedule a meeting about email lists (eventually).
 - Expect the website entirely rehosted by end of May.

PAST EVENT(S) REPORT

NEXT EVENT(S) REPORT

- * 2021-06-05: “The Office” Rallye, noon to 8 PM. Ken w/help from Dave and Eric.
 - Dave to post “The Office” event to TRC’s & LA club’s Facebook group [DONE during meeting].
 - Dave to build scoring program.
 - Dave to see if Marilyn is willing to staff the Zoom waiting room.
 - Ken’s “crack team” will work out who will do what tasks on rallye day.
 - Ken to work on school.

OPEN DATES

- * Goal: to schedule each even-numbered month.
- * 2021-08-07: Talk Like a Pirate Rallye (Eric, A/B, in-person rallye)?
 - Eric to drive the route to assure it still works.
 - Ken volunteered to precheck it remotely.
 - Abby will precheck, but be gone on rallye day.
 - Eric may need Dean to help with checkpoint. Dean to consider it.
- * 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?
 - Darin needs to commit by September.
 - Dave will be “Plan B” for Toy Rallye.
- * Frank Hays (from LA)’s LA-style Q/A rallye in 2022?
 - Frank sent it to the Sotiros, Ed, and Dean.
 - Ed to review it and tell him we’re considering it for 2022.

POTENTIAL RALLYEMASTERS

- Offer rallyes to rethrow and mentors (Abby, Ed, Dave, Dean, Cris).
- Jeffrey Martin 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
 - 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?
- * Publicity for upcoming events
 - 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.
- Then 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.
 - Dean to scan a photo of John Kleider for postcard. [Done before June meeting]
- **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. **Dean to check.**

NEW BUSINESS

- * TRC rallye history
 - TRC Wiki has [Past_TRC_Rallyes](#) through 1981-2011.
 - [TRC Results](#) page has results from 2003 through now.
 - Someone should build the union, even if some info is missing.
 - This would allow us to celebrate our 500th event, for example.
 - **No one took this action item so far.**

ACTION ITEMS

Abby:

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

Cris:

- Prep flyer for June's "The Office" rallye with Ken. [DONE after meeting]
- Send Dave email and postal address for Claudia of ESCA.
- Send Dave **the per-member fee amount for this year.**
- Discuss "Remote or Virtual" Members with ESCA and/or our new Insurance company.

Darin:

- Pending: Design postcards for next physical mailing (scheduled for August, 2021).
- **Decide by September if you have bandwidth to write an online Toy rallye (perhaps in your new Knoxville area).**

Dave:

- Build Scoring program for "the office". [DONE after meeting]
- **See if Marilyn is willing to staff the Zoom waiting room.**
- **Pay annual insurance fee for 28 members (after Cris gives the per-member amount).**
- 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:

- Consider staffing the CP for August's TLaP rallye
- 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.

Ed:

- Send agenda for Tuesday meeting by the day before (Monday).

Eric:

- **Find a John Kleder rallye to rethrow (even if it's a CM rallye). [DONE before June meeting]**
- 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.

Ken:

- Preparing the Rallye School for June's "The Office" rallye.
- Allow Qs from Prelims via email before the rallye start, to avoid an avalanche at 12:30 on rallye day. Mention this in the prelims or where they're posted and emailed.

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.
- Might unify our rallye history with results (and the database?).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- * Adjourned: 7:45
- * Next business meeting: 6:30 PM, Tuesday, 15JUN2021; online.
- * July business meeting in person: 6:30, Tuesday, 20JUL2021 in person at Panera.
- * Considering moving business meetings to early Third Wednesday evenings. Will poll people via email to see if that works for everyone (even Ric) in August.