

OLYMPIC PENINSULA REGION-PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA
May 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Bill Elwell called the meeting to order @ 1:10 pm. at the 7 Cedars Casino in Sequim, WA.

Board Members Present: Bill Elwell, President; Brian Forde, Secretary; Bob Becken, Treasurer; Brooks Hanford, Member-at-Large.

Members Present: Dave & Patty Meyers, Dave Miller, Corby Sommerville, Bill Corrigan, Robin Hoke, Tessa & Jim Gillespie, Sandra Burkett & Thomas Mika, Kip Sparber, Jill Diefenferfer, Robert Bernardo, Dave Ferguson, Barbara Hanford, Tom Klein.

President: Bill Elwell – Thank you all for being here today. It is good to see a good turnout.

Vice President: Don Knievel – Not Present.

Secretary: Brian Forde – Received a letter from The Olympic Peninsula Community Clinic (Previously known as VIMO, Volunteers In Medicine of the Olympics). We donated to them through our POP event at one time. I want to turn over this newsletter to the club to keep us in the loop as far as charitable giving is concerned.

Please read the previous meeting minutes for the purpose of continuity. We do not have the same group at each meeting as the meetings change locations. Our focus on charitable contributions continues and if anyone would like a copy of our Constitution and Bylaws, let us know. This information refers to how the region runs and is good general information for any member to be familiar with.

Treasurer: Bob Becken – We have done some different things with our treasury. These annual dues funds have paid the printing of the newsletter, also other things, such as events. We now only receive funds through our PCA subsidy and as you can see in this report it fluctuates depending on what we are doing.

The majority of the money flows through the club as we hold events and the club pays the front money and then if the members covers the cost it is fine, but if not, the treasury pays the loss. We have expenses that covers various things throughout the year for postage and other expenses such as meetings and the holiday event. For the most part it costs about \$2,500 per year to cover these costs.

That brings us to charity giving. We have talked about how best to handle this giving. If we give our treasury funds away with a source to refill the coffers will be in trouble in a couple of years.

CORBY – What are the guidelines for handling the surplus in the treasury? I would like to make a motion that we donate of \$2,000.00 to the Peninsula College Foundation for a year for students in the Peninsula College Automotive Program during the 2019-2020 school year. The Foundation makes the decision based on academic achievement and financial need to those deserving.

JILL – There is a website that the Soroptimists use as a resource to determine who requests a scholarship and assess student need.

BARBARA – Bremerton also has an Automotive Program and falls within our region. We should consider supporting both.

Open discussion of what money is to be used for and how it is distributed to bring our Treasury Balance down to equal a two to three-year operating budget of \$7,000-\$8,000.

The majority in attendance agreed with the recommendation made by Corby to fund a scholarship at Peninsula College for their Automotive Training Program. A vote to approve funds will be held once more specific information is provided.

Beginning Balance-\$13,445.89, Withdrawals-\$230.23, Deposits-\$534.00, Net-\$13,749.66, Charity Holdback-\$1,645.00, Available Cash-\$12,104.66.

Member at Large: Brooks Hanford – Nothing to report.

Past President: Alex Raphael – Not Present.

Advertising Chair: None – Nothing to report.

Membership: Dave Ferguson – As of May 1st, 4-New Members, 1-Test Drive, 1-Transfer In, 1-Transfer Out, 2-Non-Renewals, 7-Renewals. 186 -Primary Members, 110 Affiliate Members, 296 Total Members.

Goody Store: Don & Sue Knievel – Not Present.

Newsletter Editor: Thom Micka – Thank You.

Website: Bill Corrigan – Nothing to report.

Social Media – Brian Forde – A very cool thing happened this last week, a member of our Facebook page, Deb Cole, entered a contest posted on our Facebook page by previous President Jon Wyman for a neon Porsche sign and won the contest. Our Facebook page serves more than just OPR members and I hope that it will continue to bring together members of our Porsche community. Please have anyone who wants information about Facebook to shoot me an e-mail and I will see what I can do.

Social Chair: Maryann Elwell – I hope everybody got signup for events. Whistler weekend is coming up and there are a number of events that last through the weekend. Please check it out. May 18th is the Cars and Coffee at the Kalinski's to be followed by a tour of a private car and Motorcycle collection. The SOVERN sign ups have to be in by the 1st of June. Don and Sue Kneivel are hosting our club meeting in conjunction with the Tacoma Yacht Club car and motorcycle show and shine. The Grand Tour is June 22-30th. We will pick up from Larson's following lunch on the 22nd. Please contact Bob Becken to sign up.

CORBY- How many OPR members are continuing into Canada? Various members are doing various portions at different times, so it is hard to tell.

Technical Chair: Alex Raphael – Not Present.

Safety Chair: Bill Corrigan – Bicycle Safety. Rules of the road. White light in front, red reflector in back. Bicycle riders must be over to the right as far as possible, but not on the shoulder. E-Bikes, allow assistance up to 28 mph. As long as they go the speed limit, they can use all of the road. Often drivers miss judge speeds that they operate, so aware. Please be careful and respectful. Washington RCW requires 3 feet of separation for safety. Cyclists that are on the sidewalk or in a crosswalk have the same rights as a pedestrian in certain areas.

Speed Chair: John James – Not Present.

Charity Chair: Robert Bernardo – Nothing to Report.

Old Business: Dave Ferguson announced that The Bonsai show is going on this weekend at the KITSAP MALL for Mother's Day. Still looking for suggestions for this year's Holiday Party, please contact Maryann with suggestions.

New Business: None.

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m. with a motion made by Maryann Elwell and seconded by Dave Ferguson.

The next board meeting and member dinner will be held on June 15th at The Tacoma Yacht Club with lunch at 12:00 p.m. followed by the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Forde, Secretary
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