

Corvettes of Bakersfield

General Meeting Minutes August 14, 2021 10 A.M.

Tina Marie's Downtown Café, 1534 19th St. Bakersfield, CA

- I. Call to Order, President, Linda McNitt at 10:03 AM
 - A. Flag Salute, by Skip Schipper. Absent: Dave Kielty
 - B. Moved to approve agenda with added President's Report: Larry Young, Seconded: Adrian Medina. All approved.
 - C. Welcome members and guests by Linda McNitt, President. New members in attendance and those hoping to join were introduced and greeted: John Cox, Jeff Mellow, Scott and Stephanie Klugow, and prospective members: Jack and Shirley Sparks and Nate Howard. Fond farewells to Annie Bailey, longtime member who is moving. She shared her many COB event t-shirts with us. 29 members were in attendance.
- II. Approval of Minutes from July 17, 2021 meeting, Secretary, Linda Stacey. Mitch Townsend moved to approve the minutes with a change in order of Flag Salute and Approval of Minutes per Linda McNitt. Dick Compton seconded the motion. All Approved.
- III. Reports
 - A. President, Linda McNitt. All are encouraged to join in HELPING FAMILIES AT CHRISTMAS "2021". The club members assisted many families last year. The COB board members approved using the funds in the charity account to pay for the meals for the families this year, approximately \$40 per family. The member who adopts a family will try to donate items on the family's Christmas wish lists.

The BBQ today at 2 PM, will be at the home of Staci Downs and Cole Sarver. A New Year's Eve party for the COB club is being planned at the same location. Members asked about new t-shirt orders. Wall Street Imprintables has t-shirts available to order with our logo.

See Linda McNitt for forms. Mitch Townsend, Larry Young and Adrian Medina discussed different logos possible. Several members have had illnesses recently. Get Well cards are being sent out. They are in our thoughts and prayers.

- B. Vice President, Skip Schipper. No Report
- C. Secretary, Linda Stacey. Emails/Addresses are being used to send out agendas, notes, flyers, and other club business. A show of hands indicated that those in attendance have received the emails from COB. Suggestions were made to double check the Spam folder for your emails to be current.
- D. Treasurer, Kim Miller. Treasurer's report is now in the Members Only section of the website. Current balances are available on the report for Valley Strong and Bank of the Sierra.
- E. Sergeant at Arms, Dave Kielty. No report. Absent
- F. Newsletter, Donnie Hansen. Emails/Addresses. No report. Absent. The newsletter is being posted on the website and sent by email to the membership.
- G. Events Coordinator, Kimberly Cobbs. (Discussion of the Christmas Party is moved to New Business.) A run is planned to Thunder on the Mountain Car Show in Tehachapi California on August 22, 2021. We will be meeting at the Shell Station -1631 S. Comanche Drive (Corner of Edison Hwy and Comanche Drive). We will be meeting at 6:15 AM and leaving promptly at 6:30 PM. Those that haven't registered to show their car are still welcome to come enjoy the car show. Skip and Ron are hoping for RSVPs by Aug. 18.
Kimberly Cobbs requested that we check our Spam folders. Different email addresses have been added to those members sending out information. Look for this. The BBQ is at 2 PM today. Hopefully, the sign-up sheet is accurate for members attending and the items they are bringing to share. A Brunch scheduled for Aug. 15 at

Mauricio's is cancelled. The sign-up for Helping Families at Christmas "2021" deadline is August 15. August 19, we will have a Meet and Greet event at Mauricio's at 4 PM. Other local events from other clubs include Chuy's Aug. 26, Firestone Aug. 28 and Hart Park Aug. 29. These are on the website and Facebook posts. Our Wine Run is scheduled for Sat., Sept. 25. Members only may sign up to Sept. 1. If we don't have our 40 attendees, we will open registration up to family and friends of club members. The Hotel needs our reservations by Sept. 9. The rooms blocked off for us will be released after that. Details on the flyers.

Next meeting is Saturday, Sept. 11. Fun Run to Red House BBQ in Tehachapi after the meeting.

- H. Public Relations, Diane Wallace. Sponsorship. Diane discussed the differences between levels of support for the club. Currently, the website lists 3Way Chevrolet as sponsor. There are a few other supporters offering discounts for the club members. She would like to explore more sponsorship tiers to raise money for our charity funds. To combine the events calendar and our club photos, she suggested a COB calendar. The consensus was positive.
- I. Membership, Kim Miller. Current membership numbers have increased since last year. Several prospective new members are to be added. Kim Miller shared the car window stickers, member badges and membership cards.
- J. Webmaster, Virgil Miller. New sections of the website are discussed. The Wine Run registration is online and ready to accept payments. The members only section is password protected. The Events Calendar can be shared to your phone calendar. There are two categories of events, those events sponsored by COB and those sponsored by other related car clubs.
The COB board approved a new business card to be used to introduce our car club to prospective Corvette new

members. The intent is to share information about us through this contact and our website information.

K. Special Committee, Gambler's Classic. Linda McNitt shared the current plans for the Gambler's Classic May 12-14, 2022 in Laughlin, NV. The rooms and banquet contracts are now signed. There will be a committee meeting scheduled soon. She will email about when and where next week. The hotel will hold a block of rooms at a special rate, Wednesday to Sunday. A Fun Run to Oakman will be substituted for a Fun Run to London Bridge. There was discussion about traveling to Needles. Members brought up past experiences of how the towns people wanted to share more of the community resources at their local park.

IV. Old Business, Adopt a Family, Linda McNitt. This item was discussed in the President's report and Events. There is no matter to bring to a vote.

V. New Business. The Christmas Party may be changed from Hungry Hunter to Tina Marie's on Dec. 11. The deposit will be refunded by Hungry Hunter. Mitch Townsend moved to change the Christmas party to Dec. 11 at Tina Marie's. Larry Young seconded. All approved. A brief discussion followed about a Casino Night theme verses a Santa gift exchange.

VI. Announcements (5 minutes each), All board members. Nothing else noted.

VII. Open Forum, All Members. Adrian Medina notified us of his current 2008 Corvette for sale. Contact him for details.

VIII. Adjournment at 11:11 AM.

Moved by Myna Stewart. Seconded by Skip Schipper. All approved.