

Corvettes of Bakersfield  
General Meeting Minutes  
September 11, 2021 10 A.M.  
Location: Tina Marie's Downtown Café  
1534 19<sup>th</sup> St. Bakersfield, CA

Agenda Items

- I. Call to Order, President, Linda McNitt at 10:04 AM.
  - A. Flag Salute, Sergeant at Arms, Dave Kielty, Absent. Flag salute by Skip Schipper, Vice President
  - B. Welcome members and guests. Linda McNitt welcomed Jim Burrow and asked him to talk about his Corvette.
- II. Approval of Agenda for September 11, 2021. Christine Medina moved to accept the agenda. Melanie Mitchell seconded and all approved.  
  
Approval of Minutes from August 14, 2021 meeting. Kimberly Cobbs moved to approve the minutes. Skip Schipper seconded. All approved.
- III. Reports
  - A. President, Linda McNitt mentioned the run today would be to the Red House BBQ in Tehachapi after today's meeting. The Gambler's Classic information would be shared later in the meeting.
  - B. Vice President, Skip Schipper was excited to announce he bought a new Corvette, a red C8!
  - C. Secretary, Linda Stacey thanked the board members for their help in editing and sending out agendas and minutes. Members could feel free to contact her for questions about receiving information by email or cell.

- D. Treasurer, Kim Miller. Financial report was shared and is also found on the COB website under the Members Only section.
- E. Sergeant at Arms, Dave Kielty. Absent.
- F. Newsletter, Donnie Hansen. Absent. Newsletter would be out in November.
- G. Events Coordinator, Kimberly Cobbs. Updates on events are listed in attachments. Note- Next month's regular meetings would be held on October 2, 2021 due to the Cruisin' For Charity event in the downtown area of our meeting location on Oct. 9.
- H. Public Relations, Diane Wallace. Thank you for business cards now available. There is a card holder that could be used to carry them in our vehicles. See Diane for details. The Club Calendar is being created. Many members submitted photos. Adrian Medina offered to assist in adapting photos to calendar.
- Results of surveys were shared. See attachments. About 28 members responded online. Some represented a couple's answers. Most preferred email contact. About half liked the Facebook and Website as a source of club information. A phone survey will follow up for members who did not respond.
- \*\*\* David Schwartz interrupted our meeting to share his artwork and business cards.
- Surveys also revealed a little interest in the Future Corvette Owners, a group for children created by Blue Bars magazine. As for charities, several areas were common. Animal shelters, women's shelters, veterans, law enforcement and supporting education. As a club, we can collect pet supplies in November and Women's items in January during regular meetings.
- I. Membership, Kim Miller. There are 116 current members. Several were accepted into membership at the Board meeting today.

J. Webmaster, Virgil Miller. The Member's Only section password is available from Virgil.

K. Special Committee, Gambler's Classic. Linda McNitt updated several plans for the event.

The Charity Committee met and decided on three focus charities to receive the profit from the Gambler's Classic. The charities will be our local VFW, Kern County 999 Foundation, and a new endowment to the BC Automotive Department. The educational support would be focused on the necessary uniforms to participate in the automotive program.

A preliminary budget is available from Linda McNitt. Hotel rooms are held in a block for members and attendees. Book soon.

Volunteers are needed for various committees. If you prefer to be only an attendee, your price is the full event price.

Next meeting is Oct. 13.

Richard Earl will be our guest speaker. The fencing is not available this year. Skip Schipper will be handling the security team. A mobile carwash is planned. A coffee truck may be available. Sponsorships and vendors are planned. Members may suggest them. There is a poker run. A fun run to Oatman is scheduled. A DJ entertainer is possible. Members are encouraged to sign up for committees, posted on the wall.

IV. Old Business, Gambler's Classic was discussed during Special Committee report.

V. New Business.

Trunk or Treat car shows are happening in October. See the flyers on the table to sign up. The New Year's Eve party is at Staci and Cole Sarver's home with a Casino Night theme. Kim Miller updated changes to the Christmas Party planned for Dec. 11 in the evening at Tina Marie's. The theme suggested was an Ugly Sweater contest. A gift exchange,

similar to a White Elephant exchange is planned. Three members volunteered to help.

Tony Ennis updated the Wine Run event scheduled for Sept. 25 at the Central Coast. The motel room block is now lifted for the public. Only those signed up as of now are going.

VI. Announcements (5 minutes each), All board members.

Linda Stacey showed the women's Corvette t-shirt available on Amazon. Members may order directly for preferred sizes and colors to match their Vette's.

VII. Open Forum, All Members.

Several future run ideas were shared: 100 Giants and Sequoia forest, Coast, Penny Bar, and SLO WWII Museum.

VIII. Adjournment at 11:18 AM.