

Corvettes of Bakersfield
General Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2022 10 AM
Location: Tina Marie's Downtown Café
1534 19th St. Bakersfield, CA

Agenda Items

- I. Call to Order, President, Linda McNitt at 10:01 AM
 - A. Flag Salute, Sergeant at Arms, Dave Kielty: absent. Mitch Townsend led the flag salute.
 - B. Welcome members and guests. Linda McNitt welcomed Tony Robertson, prospective new member.
- II. Approval of Agenda for January 8, 2022. Skip Schipper moved that we accept the agenda. Mitch Townsend seconded. All approved.
Minutes from November 9, 2021 meeting, Secretary, Linda Stacey. Michael Rouw moved to approve. Dale Frye seconded. All approved.
- III. Reports
 - A. President, Linda McNitt. The activities of the last two months went well. A run to Buttonwillow Speedway is possible after the meeting today. Future plans are found on the COB website. Blue Bars magazine did a fine job with an article and advertisement about Gambler's Classic. Idea was presented to caravan to the Corvette Museum in 2024. The trip would be Aug. 22-28 across the country. The Corvette Museum event is Aug. 29-31, 2024.
 - B. Vice President, Skip Schipper: no report.
 - C. Secretary, Linda Stacey. Donations were collected for the Women's Shelter, COB Charity of the Month.
 - D. Treasurer, Kim Miller. Financial update. The financial report is found online at the COB website. The regular account and the charity account are healthy. Gambler's

- Classic registrations are coming in and deposited. The Bakersfield College Auto Tech scholarship is funded. The recipients will be determined soon. Ray and Linda Therm made a generous donation to the scholarship program.
- E. Sergeant at Arms, Dave Kielty: absent. Report on the results of Streets of Bakersfield. Plans for next year. Linda McNitt reported that the Wounded Warriors were unable to participate in the event and for the presentation of the check donation. We are invited to tour their new facility. Discussion followed for next year's event and focus of our charity donation. Suggestions included our BC Auto Tech scholarship and volunteers from that program. Linda McNitt arranged the COB spots for next year. Members will pay her directly to reimburse her for the spots.
 - F. Newsletter, Donnie Hansen asked for submissions from the members for the next newsletter.
 - G. Events Coordinator, Kimberly Cobbs: absent. Updates on events are found on the COB website. Linda McNitt shared the upcoming events: Buttonwillow Speedway today, Valentine's Day dinner, Wildflowers run, Whiskey Flats Days, March 26 3 Rivers run to Gateway, and possible Harris Ranch run in April.
 - H. Public Relations, Diane Wallace: absent. Linda McNitt shared information.
 - a. BC Scholarship Update: \$500 scholarship given. \$1,000 more in fund to be distributed by March.
 - b. Gamblers' Sponsorships/Donations. 3 Way Chevrolet donated \$1,000. Hyundai, Chevrolet, and Corvette Mike's also donated to Gambler's Classic.
 - c. Bakersfield Condors nonprofit night in March planned. The date to be determined. Profits will go to the BC Auto Tech charity fund.
 - d. Wounded Heroes was unable to attend check presentation but suggested we visit their new facility.
 - I. Membership, Kim Miller. Currently 120 members

- J. Webmaster, Virgil Miller. The website is updated with the new logo. The next step is to secure a new vendor for products like hats, shirts and stickers. Members had suggestions.
- K. Special Committee, Gambler's Classic updates. The committee will meet soon. 74 paid reservations- many are couples. 76 hotel reservations reported by the hotel. Several clubs are participating from western states, including many different cars of each class. The budget update will be posted. Guest speakers, Richard Earl and Harley Earl, are confirming their participation. A DJ and an entertainer will be used to share responsibilities in the two venues. COVID restrictions may be a factor in the Gambler's Classic event.
- IV. Old Business. Larry Young asked about changing the venue, day and time of COB meetings. Linda McNitt explained her decision to hold the meetings as planned. Discussion followed.
- V. New Business
 - A. FB Giving Tuesday raised \$515. Discussion followed about the procedure to collect the money and deposit to the COB account.
- VI. Announcements (5 minutes each), none.
- VII. Open Forum, All Members, none.
- VIII. Adjournment at 11:23 AM.