Corvettes of Bakersfield
General Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/13/26
Location: Salty's Banquet & Event Center 6720 Schirra Court , Bakersfield, CA. 93309

President: Kim Miller
Vice President: Jan Wright
Treasurer: Steve Dallons
Secretary: Mark Pucilowski
PR/Charity: Diane Stokes
Membership: Linda Stacey
Newsletter: Adrian Medina
Events: Bill Grafeman
Webmaster: Virgil Miller
Sgt. at Arms: Chris Fleming

Board Members Present: 10
Board Members Absent: 0

Members present: 28

General Meeting

Call to Order: 6:01 pm
Flag Salute: Led by Sgt. at Arms

Welcome: President, Sponsors were thanked.

New Members: Gary Longwith, Christopher Gaona, William and Sharon Putnam and Leo and Sue Hudson introduced themselves to the club

General Meeting Guests: 1 Thad Orozco. Invited COB to attend 12/13/26 Bakersfield Toy Run supporting Salvation Army Bakersfield Corps

Birthdays - announced: October

Approval of last General Meeting Minutes: September 8, 2026
Motion made by: Bill Grafeman
Seconded by: Diane Stokes
Unanimously approved, motion passed

Reports of Officers

President: Kim Miller introduced the 2026/2027 COB Board.
Reviewed the 501c3 Charity Board Report:
Christmas toy purchase for Salvation Army, Kern Medical Foundation and Toys for Tots ($500 each/$1500 total)
Approval of the amended January through June 2026 501c3 Charity account Treasurer's reports
Start the selection process for choosing next year's charities to receive donations
Approval to donate to the November SAL golf tournament for a COB golf team (up to $900)
Approval to purchase 10 club Corvette spots for the 2027 Streets of Bakersfield Car Show ($500)
Approval of the 2026/2027 Charity Budget
Reviewed the 501c7 Board Report:
Approval of new members Gary Longwith, Christopher Gaona, William and Sharon Putnam and Leo and Sue Hudson
Approval of the amended March and June 2026 501c7 General account Treasurer's reports
Approval of the 2026/2027 General Budget

Vice President: Jan Wright updated the club of the 11/21 SAL Golf Tournament charity event. 2 teams of 4, seeking golfers.

Treasurer: Steve Dallons reported September (501c3 and 501c7) account balances and expenditures - see reports on Members Only page of COB website.
Reported July and August account balances are available for viewing on the COB website.

Secretary: No report

Public Relations/Charity Liaison: Diane Stokes reported starting the process of membership selection of charities for our 501(c)(3) to donate to in the next fiscal year. Index cards being passed out for members to select up to 3 charities, charity voting to take place at November General meeting. Expect next charity donations to take place in March or April 2027.

Membership: Linda Stacey reported 93 current members.
A monthly Charity Committee volunteer is being requested.
Christmas Party Committee volunteers needed .
Monthly raffle prize volunteers needed.

Events Coordinator: Bill Grafeman reported the following events:
10/18 COB brunch at Longhorn Steakhouse 12:30 pm
10/21 Corvettes and Coffee at Riverlakes Clubhouse 9 am
10/24 Glennville lunch run 10 am, meet at Andre's Grill on Merle Haggard Dr
10/29 Fletcher Elementary School Trunk or Treat 4:30 pm

10/30 Salty's Trunk or Treat 4 pm (theme is dress to match your car)

Events Coordinator (cont.):
11/3 COB Board meeting 6 pm
11/6 Friday Night Cruizin at Salty's 4 pm
11/10 COB General meeting 6 pm
11/11 Veterans Day Parade 8 am (meet at Central Park on 21st Street, lunch at Woolgrowers to follow)
11/18 Corvettes and Coffee at Riverlakes Clubhouse 9 am
12/1 COB Board meeting 6 pm
12/3 Bakersfield Christmas Parade 6 pm (5 car limit per entry)
12/5 Outlawz Toy Drive and Car Show at California Truck 9 am
12/5 COB annual Christmas Party at Salty's Events Center 6 pm
12/6 Friday Night Cruizin at Salty's 4 pm
12/8 COB General meeting NO DECEMBER MEETING
12/8 Haggin Oaks Christmas Lights Run (Diane Wallace to schedule. Marketplace Lengthwise pre run, Marie Callenders post run)
12/13 Bakersfield Toy Run (meet at Beach Park) 7:30 am
12/16 Corvettes and Coffee at Riverlakes Clubhouse 9 am
(Flyers with upcoming event details posted on COB.org website)

Newsletter: Adrian Medina reported COB Newsletters (past and present) can be accessed on the COB Facebook page and the COB website.

Webmaster: Virgil Miller reported website access at CorvettesofBakersfield.org
New website feature titled "Winners Circle".
Congratulations to George Semchak for Best Modern American Muscle Car at the Streets of Bakersfield Car Show and Ed Combs for Best Corvette at the Golden West High School Car Show in Visalia.

Sergeant at Arms: No report

Old Business (Voting Items):
Final decision on Gambler's Classic 2027 Car Show resulted in a vote of 2 for 'Yes' and the majority voted 'No'. GC 2027 officially cancelled. Laughlin Riverside Resort to be notified.

New Business (Voting Items):
Establish a fundraiser committee to gather ideas and present options to membership for a local charity fundraising event in 2027.
Chris Fleming, Virgil Miller, Jan Wright, Diane Wallace and Linda Stacey volunteered to serve on the committee

Special Committees:
Monthly Charity Committee:
October monthly charity - restaurant gift cards to pass out to veterans at the 11/11/26 Veterans Day Parade
November monthly charity - Baby items for the Bakersfield Pregnancy Center
December monthly charity - Toys for Tots (collection of unwrapped toys at COB Christmas Party)
Christmas Party Committee: Scheduled for 12/15 at Salty's Event Center. Linda Stacey and Diane Stokes volunteered to chair.

Comments and/or Announcements:
Curtis McFadden inquired about Michael Rouw's health status after knee replacement surgery. The prognosis is positive.
Club items for sale - available on website
Chris Espitia and Liz Zaninovich gave a brief recap of the past weekend's Paso Robles Car Show/Parade

Diane Wallace reported Plastic Fantastic Car Show in San Diego to be held the 1st weekend in May 2027

Next Meetings:
The next Board Meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2026 6:00 pm at the Miller's residence
The next General Membership meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2026 6:00 pm at Salty's BBQ

Meeting Adjourned: 7:32 pm

Recorded by: Mark Pucilowski