

Saab Club of Canada AGM – 09 October 2021

Location at Grand Valley Park, Grand Valley, Ontario, 12:00pm.

Fred provided the current Membership at 62 Active Members.

A quorum is present. 13 members, including BOD.

Ed Treijs, Fred Hopper, Stan East, Trevor McAlpine, Paul Stephenson, Aleem Syed, Gabriel Balea, Dave Carter, Rick Clayton, Joel Camunias, Joshua Voth, Jason Tomkins, Luke Schaefer,

Notice of AGM deemed as being sufficient.

President's report: Ed Treijs. The Club operated with reasonable participation this year. Martin Wojtowicz is retiring from the VP and Membership positions he performed last year. Kay Rickatson has volunteered to run for these positions. Her spouse Judy will assist in this work. The Club's CASC-OR and its associated Officer's and Director's Insurance (ODI) have been paid for the coming year. The BOD is interested in communicating with other car clubs, such as Stan East's membership in the Corvaire Club. Item for discussion in the coming year is the Club's value to members as the Saab evolves into a collector and/or occasional use vehicle. The Club's finances are stable and sustainable at the current membership fee. These primarily need to cover the ODI, the Gryphon, the website and reserves. The Tech II sessions have been successful. Two issues of The Gryphon are published each year thanks to Joshua Voth.

We have an agreement with SCNA to receive 15 issues of Nines magazines from the US in exchange for us sending them 15 issues of the Gryphon. They allow us to also put it on our web site. Expenses for the web site hosting, software, etc.

Secretary's report: Rick Clayton Reviewed the minutes of the 2020 AGM. Motion to accept the minutes forwarded by Trevor McAlpine. Seconded by Stan East. All voted in favour.

Membership report: Fred Hopper reported as Martin was not present. There are currently 62 members. Three are life members that are included in this number. This is down slightly from last year. Membership is on-line now. We are not getting renewal reminders at present from the MemberPress software. Ed did the mailing of Gryphon. We need to automate the reminders, as people tend to forget to update their status.

Treasurer's report: Fred Hopper reported as Greg New was not present. Greg is a personal friend of Fred and performs the Club's financial reports and tax returns as a favour to the club. The Club has \$1465.37 in the bank. The financial year is February 1 through January 31. The major expenses are the CASC-OR membership (\$500) and ODI (\$648), the Gryphon (printing \$264 postage \$147, total \$411). MemberPress software to manage the membership list and renewals is \$131/year. The Gryphon is projected to cost more this year as printing costs have risen (~\$500 total cost). Joshua obtained one advertisement for 4 issues of the Gryphon for an income of USD \$120. We have for several years now been using PayPal for processing memberships instead of Scotiabank because it is cheaper.

Martin Wojtowicz was Vice President, Board member, and Membership chair. He wishes to retire from the Board and Membership functions. SCC is not a registered charity but can still accept donations, we just cannot issue tax receipts.

Rick Clayton moved to accept the financial report, seconded by Trevor McAlpine. Voted to accept. Unanimous.

Fred offered some information on the Club's website and software. WordPress is free, but MemberPress is expensive. He is looking for alternatives, but most of them are even more expensive. Fred has moved the website hosting to piggyback on his wife's plan, and this is good for now, currently free to the club. We will review again when that comes up. Membership cards have been moved to website only for members to print out. They aren't really necessary because vendors usually recognize members. Joshua has first dibs on website content. Fred will continue as Webmaster and Director.

Social report: Paul Stephenson – the wine tour was successful. The club didn't subsidize this year. He followed up with the wineries and they were happy to have us return next year.

Gryphon Editor report: Joshua Voth. The next issue is going ahead for April. He will be occupied for personal reasons in the Autumn. He is soliciting articles and photos, and will look in the archive. He will try to get more advertisements. He has interviewed Nordicspeed for an article, and could do more of these. Ads could be sold to Canadian and US suppliers.

CASC-OR representative report: Stan East. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, CASC-OR didn't do much this year. Mosport allowed only racers and crews. Slalom and Time Attack events were cancelled. They only had one Zoom meeting for the AGM.

Elections:

BOD candidates: Ed Treijs, Fred Hopper, Stan East, Rick Clayton, Aleem Syed

VP candidate: Kay Rickatson

Voted unanimous by acclamation.

Gryphon Editor is Joshua Voth

CASC-OR Representative – Stan East

Social – Paul Stephenson

Membership – Kay Rickatson

Advertising and Discounts – vacant. To remain vacant.

Bylaws need updating – Stan has experience with the Corvair club. The new law implementation is still delayed. Trevor has experience with other organizations. This is a requirement based on Provincial Law changes for Not-for-Profit incorporated companies.

Meeting adjourned.