

BOO MEETING January 9, 2009
Home of Mike and Helen DeLaurentis

Officers present: Robin George, Mike DeLaurentis, Jeanne George, Jack Parker and Ron Petrich. Pam Hunt and Bob Bacon. Past Techie Mark Brooks and Emily Brooks came as guests.

The meeting called to order by President, Robin George with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Robin handed out an agenda of items to discuss.

Discussion of Hof Brau vs. Coco's- Several emails have come in with comments on last night's meeting at the Hof Brau. General consensus is that Coco's is preferred until the time we can find a substantially bigger place and one as nice as Coco's.

Towe Auto Museum: Question of whether we have continued our membership. Jeanne said that it is still active and will need to be renewed this spring. We will renew it.

Birthday Party: Although a few have complained, the majority seems to like Windwalkers for the annual Birthday Party. Mike will check with Windwalkers and try to reserve either Saturday Oct 3rd or Sunday the 4th.

Newsletter: Need to get more input from members. Right now articles come from the BOO and from Adi. Special themes that might be a possibility are 1) Miata of the Month and 2) Interviews with new members. Maybe bribe articles from other members with a bottle of wine.

Radios: We have four good ones right now-do we need more. Decided that this was OK for now.

Detail Party on May 9th: Will be at school bus yard on Arena Blvd. Will need to do a clean up of oil and stuff before we bring out Miatas. It is a nice open area with a lot of shade and covered areas. We are thinking of getting the "dent" guy to come out also. The detail guy - Mike Mose - will be there.

Shriners: Car show will be on May 17th will the autocross on May 16th.

Apparel Business: WE are back in the clothing business! We ordered a total of \$1873 worth of clothing and hats and only paid \$1097 with the sale discount and free shipping. There is \$600 worth already signed up for at last night's meeting.

Budget: Jeanne gave us a proposed budget. It was approved by all with one small change.

General meeting format: The general format of our meetings was discussed to see if we think it is meeting the needs of our members. It was decided that it was fine for now and will be reviewed later if needed.

Raffle: Do we want to continue it as it is? Yes.

Paypal for Membership: Paypal can be used for payment of memberships. It would cost us around \$150-200 per year. We decided it wasn't worth it.

Swap Meet: Do we want to hold one, and if yes, when. Decided that we would hold a swap meet at the June 11th meeting.

Track Proposals: Ron reviewed the Thunderhill fees and the track proposals for this year. He has two days reserved and gave us a breakdown of what the financial obligations would be. A deposit of \$2750 would be due by February 1st to reserve the first track day. Ron made a motion for SAMOA to sponsor the track day and provide the deposit from our general funds. Jack seconded and all approved it. Jeanne will provide a check to Ron for the deposit.

Bylaws: The question was should we post the bylaws on our web page. We decided to put it in the password protected area along with the membership information. Jeanne will review the bylaws and make sure they are written correctly according to State law.

Troop Support: Mike is getting names from VFW and we will use these if members don't have any others they would like packages sent to.

Chili Cook off: Mike had questions about how this was handled before. Fran apparently provided some items out of her own pocket. We decided to do it potluck style and BYOB. We will bring the water left over from the Birthday Party.

Adjourned at 9:10pm