

# Flatwater Austin Healey Club Annual Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2018

## The meeting was called to order at 2:30 pm by: President John Ulrich

#### The roll of officers was noted as follows (P-Present; A-Absent):

| President        | Р | Secretary                  | Р |
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| Vice President   | Р | Treasurer                  | А |
| Membership Chair | Р | Officer at Large (Lincoln) | А |
| AHCA Delegate    | А | Officer at Large (Omaha)   | А |

#### Attendance: 11

Quorum met: yes

## Minutes from last meeting:

Reviewed and approved

Note: Actions items appear in **bold** 

## **Officer's Reports:**

- Membership Chair Marron Keady reported that 62 have paid dues so far. There will be another 78 if everyone on the membership roll pays dues. John thanked Marron and Tom for filling this position.
- Jerry Magorian reported by email that there is \$1,603.16 in the checking account.

## **Old Business:**

- At one of the officers' meetings it was decided that dues would be increased by \$5.00.
- More autocross cones and two pop-up tents have been acquired.

#### New Business:

- Brian Goldsmith reported that 23 ballots were received, and the slate of candidates on the ballot were all elected. The officers for 2019 are:
  - o President Ken Trinkle
  - o Vice-President Dave Ciaccio
  - o Secretary Dave Skilton
  - o Treasurers Jerry and Nancy Magorian
  - o Officer at Large Jay Fluehr
  - Officer at Large Gary Pence
  - o AHCA Delegate Brad Swiggart
- John Ulrich said he may attend the AHCA national delegate meeting in Indianapolis.
- Our standard activities are Friday fish, breakfast in Ashland, lunch in Lincoln, autocross, pub night, spring show, fall show, fall driving tour, annual meeting, and annual banquet. John asked if the level of participation has dropped for any of these activities to the point that they should be eliminated. During discussion it was pointed out that sometimes participation depends on an individual sending out emails to encourage attendance. Bart and Terry Hamilton will not be able to do this for breakfast in the future, so John Ulrich will ask Jim and Theresa Morgan if they think this activity should continue.

- Current "sponsors" for our activities are Judy Bowens (fish), Scott Kahler and John Ulrich (autocross), and Lee and Sheryl Pederson (pub night). John Ulrich will try to find a sponsor for Lincoln lunch.
- Dave Ciaccio will take the lead for the spring show at Shadow Lake. Ken said there has been a management change, so he will inform Dave of the new contact.
- Brad Swiggart will continue to take the lead for the fall show.
- John proposed a spring drive to a winery near Glenwood. We could have food catered in if we like. John Ulrich will ask Steve and Kim Williams if they can take the lead.
- Jay will take the lead for the fall driving tour.
- Next year's annual meeting will be at the Lincoln library.
- Dave Skilton encourages members to participate in the show at the Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home, typically coordinated by Bart Hamilton. He also encourages our members to participate in the Lauritzen Gardens show. This year we had five members participate at Lauritzen, so we should publicize it to get better attendance.
- Possible future events:
  - o Scott Kahler mentioned a June car event at the Lincoln veterans' home.
  - Ken asked if there would be interest in an event at Joe's Karting in Council Bluffs, or RC car racing at the hobby shop near Irvington. John issued a cautionary note about carting by pointing to his still-sore ribs.
  - o John Pecoraro has a slot car track and would consider entertaining a small number of guests.
  - Tony Koester knows someone who said he would set up a TSD rally.
  - John suggested garage tours. There are three garages in Lincoln that would be great, and we could also work in lunch. Dave Skilton will pursue possible garage tours in Omaha.
  - Ken mentioned the annual Joslyn Castle car show.
  - John Ulrich will talk with Bob Shaw about a tour of the Museum of Speed.
- Dave Ciaccio will use Survey Monkey to send out a survey about club activities.
- Dave Skilton proposed that we have new club name badges and possible window stickers. It was also
  suggested that we consider license plate frames and signs. If we need digital art, Rick Stein Trophy in
  Lincoln has our digitized logo. Dave will look into this further.
- John Ulrich offered the opinion that we should more appropriately be called the Flatwater All-British Car Club, or the Flatwater British Car Club. We don't have all that many Austin Healeys in the club. Our affiliation with AHCA is important, though, because among other things it provides very affordable insurance protection. Dave Ciaccio will include a question about the club name in the Survey Monkey survey.
- Communication among club members continues to be a challenge. It was generally agreed that email blasts work best. Lee Pederson runs our Facebook site, but not everyone uses Facebook. Gary Lien said the website gets very little traffic, but it provides a "hit" for people who are searching the web for a club like ours. Steve Williams had sent information about a tiered hosting site, so John Ulrich will pursue this with Steve and Kim. Ken will talk with Jane about helping with the website.
- John Ulrich said all officers should be able to send emails to club members.
- Tony Koester moved that retirement congratulations be offered to Kevin Gilbert who has been a faithful supporter of the club. John amended the motion to include sending Kevin a plaque. Ken seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Meeting was adjourned at: <u>3:45 pm</u>

Secretary: Jay Fluehr