

Minutes of the SORC

**Tuesday evening, December 10, 2013 8:30 to
9:30 pm est**

1. Call to Order

The phone conference was called to order at 8:33 pm by Chairman Jeff Brewster.

2. Roll Call

Called by Secretary Christine Brewster.

Present: Charlie Gonyea, John Runne, Mark Kurz, Ed Hearn, Don Allen, Dave Anderson, Kyle Bahl and Jeff Conant.

Absent: Doug Pearsall (called in late), Rich Runne, Brian Trolan, Tom Johnston, Steve Wilde and Mark Wheeler.

Christine announced that a quorum was met.

3. Status of the 20ssh petition

The chairman read the following to the

commission: – the signatures from the petition have been received and the names within have been verified by the home office. I will add the proposal to our ballot after our meeting in Reno. Due to us having an organization run by its membership, the membership must have its say in the rule making process. Whether you agree with the action taken by Mike Pavlick and Don Allen or not, I assure you that they have followed the bylaws of this organization correctly.

- A short discussion followed with Ed Hearn, Don Allen, Kyle Bahl and Dave Anderson commenting.

4. Friday night awards banquet at the upcoming Reno, Nevada national meeting.

The chairman read the following to the

commission: - At this banquet we present the Tammy Dawe Advocate, Rookie of the Year, Waldman & Menzies awards. We also recognize the drivers (in attendance) that have won a national's and/or a national high point championship in closed course & marathon. Our banquet is supported by the five outboard categories. Since J has no budget, they are not able to kick in but allow donations. Mod

always gives 400.00 and will again this year. OPC contributed 400.00 last year and due to the loss of membership within the Pro category, I assume they will not be able to commit to last year's number of 600.00. In the past Stock has contributed 500.00. Due to the different situation we face this year, I suggest Stock steps up with a larger contribution this year. The chairman then explained that he had been in contact with Sheryl Rucker and that she needs numbers soon to order the food. It was also explained that there is a cash bar and the money collected is used for the food and the room.

Ed Hearn motioned to allow the chair to spend up to \$750.00.

Dave Anderson seconded.

Motion is approved.

5. Winter nationals date.

The chairman read the following to the commission: - *Spring ends on March 20th this year. The date of the race is April 12 & 13 for Jesup, Georgia by Peace River Outboard. The chair then asked for a motion to hold the winter nationals out of the winter solistice.*

Motion to approve by Ed Hearn.

Don Allen seconded.

Motion is approved.

6. 302SSH engine reorder

The chairman read the following to the

commission: - *As of yesterday, we are sold out of the original eight that the SORC purchased. Ric Montoya will not have engines in the country until May at the earliest. We do not want the forward momentum of this class to die due to a lack of available engines. Mike Ward in England will receive his shipment in January and has assured me that we can reorder. Once again, Mr. Montoya has given me his blessing. I ask that the SORC allow me to make another order for up to ten engines depending on the value of the dollar on the order date.*

Several questions were asked by Mark Kurz, Dave Anderson and Ed Hearn on the specifics on how they will be shipped, where the new owners are located and how the transaction of money is handled.

Motion to approve by Kyle Bahl

Dave Anderson seconded.

Motion is approved.

7. Reno agenda creation

The chairman read the following to the

commission: - *Dec 31st is the deadline for rule change proposal. Few issues have been sent in but that is ok. We need time to form a game plan for our future! It is my hope that in this term we will be able to provide some direction on where we are headed.*

Ed Hearn suggested another phone conference in January to get more items out of the way before Reno. The chairman agreed and promised another in the first or second week.

8. Other Matters –

- 1) The chairman explained the open position of the Region 5 commissioner and stated the position will not be appointed this year. The only appointment is the replacement of his position as Region 6 commissioner. Brian Trolan has accepted his appointment.
- 2) The SORC has decided to raffle off the second Tohatsu engine in the same manner that was done last season. Dave Anderson “volunteered” to organize the ticket sales.
- 3) Charlie Gonyea brought up the Region One letter from Bruce Nichols on the effects of the Sidewinder engine in Region 1. The chair explained that he had sent the letter out to the entire SORC.

9. Adjournment – The chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:18 pm after thanking all for participating.