# VSCR Election Meeting December 3, 2016

Election Results for 2017

President: John Daniels Vice President: Dick Wallrich Treasurer: Mark Brandow

Secretary: Liz Stadther (until a replacement is found)

Competition Chair: Steve Nichols

**Competition Committee:** 

Paul Bastyr Daryn Bosell Randy Byboth Brian Kennedy Steve Martin Ben Robertaccio

Thank you to outgoing President Travis Mjolsnes.

### Treasurer's Report

Mark Brandow reported a healthy VSCR account balance.

Competition Chair Steve Nichols reported on competition-related items and led the meeting for President Travis Mjolsnes, who had to leave early:

## Safety Related Items

- The various national infraction lists have been getting longer, seemingly reflecting a growing focus by some on winning at all costs as opposed to racing with a vintage spirit. However, no one from VSCR is on any lists.
- 2005 race helmets are now out of date and won't be accepted for racing. The current standard is Snell 2015.
- Racing belts must be updated after 5 years.
- There are reports of driving suits being sold that do not meet required standards. They typically have bogus safety organization decals on them. It's best to buy from known sources with a good reputation.
- Those wanting a Vintage Motorsports Council (VMC) race license need to use an updated application form and a new simplified VMC medical form. Both will be available via the VSCR website at www.vscr.org. VMC licenses cost \$25.

### **Tech Inspections**

- There will again be early annual tech inspections for VSCR and SCCA racers offered in April at Westside Volkswagen. The day is not yet set. Getting the annual tech greatly simplifies tech at the track. The April event includes refreshments and a change to talk to other racers and is held indoors. Those attending should let <a href="Steve Nichols">Steve Nichols</a> know in advance. He may not stay long if there isn't much interest in attending.
- Steve is interested in hearing any ideas on better ways of doing tech at the track.

#### Races and Other Events

- Harvey West Classic and Jack Pine Sprints (Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends)
  - $\circ$  Discussion of splitting into two race groups, a reverse grid race, and a 12-lap race instead of 10.

- There was a consensus that we should continue the Friday evening BBQ and add a Saturday lunch. Both would be open to VSCR and SCCA people plus car club people.
- o Interest in being part of the July 4 race at BIR was mixed.
- The winter banquet date is January 28. No details yet.
- The annual spring swap meet will be April 22 at Quality Coaches.
- The addition of non-race events was discussed. It could include go-karting or purely social events.
- Members voted to again support the InterMarque Spring Kick-Off on May 13 with a donation and display cars.
- The vintage race weekend at Gimli (north of Winnipeg) will be held August 18-20.
- It would be good to have an area online for members to post upcoming travels to other race venues, so people can connect to paddock and/or travel together.
- There will be no BIR/Performance Driving School booth at the Minneapolis car show in 2017.

### **VSCR** Promotion Ideas Discussed

- John Daniels will put the race schedule and an article in Victory Lane.
- Paul Bastyr will again create a poster. Extra copies will be made for people to post at various races.
- Members are encouraged to talk up the races at BIR when at other races.
- Use of a reverse grid race, earlier end time, or other variations will be discussed by the competition committee to increase race participation on Sundays.
- Use the Friday night party at the track, and the new Saturday lunch, to promote VSCR.
- Create a promotional brochure, working with LOL, to distribute to car clubs and at car events, including the InterMarque Spring Kick-Off. Paul Bastyr volunteered to help develop it.
- Encourage car clubs to attend both races, including the Friday BBQ and Saturday lunch plus lunchtime touring.
- Look into doing car displays at children's hospitals and at events such as Classics by the Lake, the Excelsior concourse, and the Anoka and North St. Paul car shows.