GoF West
Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday May 14th, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 pm.

Steering Committee members present:

H Garcia	Joyce Edgar	Randy Koontz	Val Howard-Hogue
Pam Schueler	Doug Wochna	Sara Barrow	

Attendees and clubs represented*

	Name	**Club**
1	Donna Johnson	Sacramento Valley MG Car Club
2	Ed Battershell	Arizona Roadrunners
3	Paul Barrow	MG Car Club Northwest Centre International MG Y-Type Register
4	Larry Zerwis	Valley British Auto Club
5	Mike Jacobsen	MG Owners Club of Northern California
6	Jerry Felper	Vintage MG Club of Southern California
7	Moose Stovall	Texas MG Register
8	Lars Lynge	TC Motoring Guild British Motor Club of Utah MG Club Rocky Mountain Chapter
9	Zelda Wochna	Central Coast British Car Club Southern California MG Club Vintage MG Club of Southern California *Valley British Auto Club*
10	Corey Hogue	*Sacramento Valley MG Car Club*
11	David Edgar	*TC Motoring Guild*

*this may not be a complete list as there wasn't a formal sign-in sheet.

Several clubs did not have a representative at the meeting – see appendix A at the end of the minutes.

Comments, questions and feedback about GoF West 2026:

Paul Barrow thanked the organizers for their hard work.

Venue

- Good hotel, pet-friendly
- Need a bigger room with more seating for hospitality
- Need more space for the auction
- Everything flowed well between the different locations around the hotel

General information

- Some people didn't have the small schedule of events included with their badge
- There were some discrepancies in the printed schedules for event times
- Put the name on both sides of the badge so it will still display if the badge flips around

Car show

- The cars look better on grass, but it was understood that this isn't always possible
- There was a good First Timer's display
- Premier Class display should stand out more
- Some people didn't like not being able to vote for other cars in their own class (it was noted that this is generally the norm for car clubs in AZ)
- Someone suggested having a couple of generic additional awards ("honorable mention") to recognize a car that doesn't fit into one of the entry categories

Publicity/Communication

- There should be a newsletter every 3-4 months to generate and maintain interest in the next event
- We need a communications officer to track and update contacts from other clubs and maintain a mailing list
- It was noted that there has been a "lead communicator" in the past
- Each club should have a GoF West representative to act as a link person
- It was suggested that the event be listed with the Hagerty Drivers Club

Including non-MGs at GoF West

- There was some discussion about whether or not to include non-MGs in GoF West
- Although GoF West might want to continue as only MGs we recognize this may not be a viable option in the long term
- There are several regional GoF organizations (West, Central, East, South) – should we contact them to discuss problems/solutions and share ideas?
- All clubs are having trouble maintaining membership levels and finding people to organize and participate in events
- Factors to consider include classic car owners who are getting older and driving less
- Younger MG owners are more likely to be working and may not be able to take time off for extended events
- Several clubs and events are changing to include other British cars

- Club members generally don't want to organize multiple events each year so events for All British Car are becoming more popular
- The Rocky Mountain MG Club is experiencing reduced attendance, fewer volunteers for events, and people not driving their MG to the monthly meetings
- The Texas club has problems getting volunteers for their GoF events
- It was noted that several of the AZ volunteers who helped to put on our event do not actually own an MG
- Which other cars could/should be included?
- Should it be based on marque, size ("Little British Cars") or age (25 years?)?
- How would entry classes be determined?
- What additional awards would be needed?
- No final conclusion was reached – discussion to be continued

Steering Committee

All terms of office were previously extended by 1 year as there was no Advisory Council meeting in 2025.

Current members:

• H Garcia (chair)	2nd term, ends 2027
• Joyce Edgar (financial officer)	1st term, ends 2026*
• Sara Barrow (secretary/Red Book)	2nd term, ends 2028
• Val Howard-Hogue (webmaster)	2nd term, ends 2026
• Pam Schueler	1st term, ends 2027
• Doug Wochna	1st term, ends 2028
• Randy Koontz	1st term, ends 2026*

*eligible for re-election

- Val has completed 2 terms of office and is not eligible for re-election this year; she offered to continue as webmaster.
- Randy chose to step down from the Steering Committee as he does not own an MG.

Advisory members:

- Pete Thelander
- Fran Thelander

It was noted that this was the first time Pete and Fran had not attended the GoF West event.

Nomination/election of new members:

- Joyce Edgar nominated and elected for a 2nd term
- Donna Johnson nominated and elected for a 1st term (GoF West 2027 chair)
- David Edgar nominated and elected for a 1st term

Joyce agreed to continue as the financial officer but requested that we start transitioning this responsibility to someone else; Pam offered to assist.

The meeting was closed at 2:10 pm.

Appendix A: Several clubs were not represented at the Advisory Council meeting.

Clubs represented at GoF West 2026 / members present at the Advisory Council Meeting:

Club	Representative
AAC	
Abingdon Rough Riders	
Arizona MG T Roadrunners	Ed Battershel
Arizona MG Club	
Bakersfield British Car Club	
British Auto Club of Las Vegas	
British Motor Club of Utah	Lars Lynge
British Automobile Owners Association	
Central Coast British Car Club	Zelda Wochna
Club T-MG	
Columbia Gorge MG Club	
DCTRA – Triumph AZ	
International MG Y-Type Register	Paul Barrow
AMGTC	
MG Car Club Northwest Centre	Paul Barrow
MG Club Rocky Mountain Center	Lars Lynge
MG Owners Club of Northern California	Mike Jacobsen
Mile Hi British	
New England MG T Register	
Paradise British Car Club	
Reno British Car Club	
Sacramento Valley MG Car Club	Donna Johnson / Corey Hogue
San Diego MG Club	
San Diego Miata Club	
Sorry Safari Touring Society	
Southern California MG Club	Zelda Wochna
Sports Cars Unlimited	
TC Motoring Guild	Lars Lynge
Texas MG Register	Moose Stovall
Valley British Auto Club	Larry Zerwig / Zelda Wochna
Vancouver pre-56 MG Unclub	
VMGTR	
Vintage MG Club of Chicago	
Vintage MG Club of Southern California	Zelda Wochna / Jerry Felper
Willamette MG Club	
NAMGAR	
NAMGBR	
NAMMMR	