

STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tele-Conference - 19 May 2014

The meeting began at 7:07 pm. Present were Lawrie Alexander, Dave Bradley, Mike Campbell, Doug Pelton, Pete Thelander and Lindsay Costigan.

2013

Mike Campbell confirmed the receipt of final report on 2013 Carefree and check for proceeds has been deposited. Also a thank you letter and honorarium has been sent to the Road Runners.

2014

Dave will add the audio to the promotional video for GoF 2014 and Doug will post on the web site. There will be one more promotional email sent to clubs in the western states.

Mike Campbell reported 91 Registrations to date and that about 20 San Diego locals will probably not be booking rooms, but stay at home. This created some concern about our commitment for rooms to the hotel. There followed a discussion as to our ability to release rooms, how many and when. Dave checked the contract and the first opportunity for us to release up to 33 rooms is May 24th. Mike and Dave will check on the number of rooms reserved to date and decide whether or not to release any.

Mike and Dave reported that all the events that their respective clubs are responsible for are well under way. The booklet is also being worked on.

2015

Previous issues with the 2015 contract were addressed by George and Lawrie and revisions submitted 12/1. The revised contract has been received and signed

Lindsay reported that the logo has been designed. Meals at Doubletree have been selected using the subsidy from Steering Committee and from registration fees. The Auction Dinner tickets will be \$35, Awards Banquet tickets \$50. Registration fee has been set at \$65. Promotional material is being prepared, including a DVD to be shown at 2014. Copies will be made available to 2014 participants. Copies will be sent to all car clubs likely to have MG enthusiasts interested in attending 2015. A dozen or so MGs from Canada already committed to attend. John Twist has agreed to attend and present one of his Rolling Tech Sessions. We'll give him one of our comp'd rooms and tickets for both dinners. All committees are actively planning and budget is being prepared.

Staffing

A replacement is needed for George on S.C. and Mike's term also expires this year. Dave and Doug's terms expire in 2015, with Lawrie and Pete in 2016. The question was asked if we were aware of any volunteers or recommendations for election at 2014 Advisory Council meeting. The call for volunteers or nominees will be included in the planned email to the participating clubs in the region.

Web Site & Gazette

Doug said he will be tidying up the administration for the web site, posting the DVDs for 2014 and 2015. It was suggested that Steering Committee minutes also be posted. There are currently three e-mail data bases in use. Doug has a general interest list of about 1000 people who have attended in the past, and a much shorter list of the key people in the West Coast MG clubs and other organizations that might have an interest in GoF West. Additionally, Mike has a list of those registered for 2014.

Larry Long has agreed to take over responsibility for the Gazette publication and intends to release one more issue as soon as possible.

2016

Potential locales for GoF 2016 were discussed. Mike mentioned that Larry Long might be interested possibly in Pismo Beach.

By-Laws

Larry Long is known to not favor including the "modern" MGs, partly because our By-Laws say so. Lawrie pointed out that the A, B and C groups have their own national meets, but that they are held largely in the eastern states. Lawrie suggested changing the By-Laws to allow participation by all years and models of MG, and this will be included on the agenda for the SC meeting at San Diego.

Treasurer's Report

Mike presented the Treasurer's report. There was a discussion of what was the appropriate use of this money. Principal suggestions were to provide a cushion or "rainy day" fund and subsidize GoF meals.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Thelander, Secretary