

Texas Region SCCA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 13, 2025

7:00 PM | In Person

Regional Executive

Nolan Eberl-Coe

AREs

Sitara Wilson (Race), Taylor Burnidge (Time Trials), David Powers (Solo), John Poulos (Rally), Ron Bashor (Asst. Race)

Directors (4 is a Quorum)

Matt Lucas (Chairman), Paul May, Tammi Entriken, Miles Furlong

Officers

Arshia Akhtar (Secretary), Bob Neff (Treasurer)

Guests

Ethan (Membership/Communications), Brian Brooks, Nikki, Vicki
Neff comment: Ethan was/is not a "Guest", he's an ARE.

Meeting Opened at 7:05 PM

Quorum Established: Yes (4 Board members present)

Approval of Minutes

- September 2025 minutes were distributed earlier the same day.
- Motion to approve: Paul May
- Seconded: Tammi Entriken
- Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

- August minutes are still not posted on the website. Arshia will send the final version to the webmaster for upload.
- Secretary will ensure all AREs and officers receive the minutes promptly before meetings.

Awards Banquet Planning

Presentation Venue: Lone Star Park

- Ethan presented proposal: similar format to last year
- Date initially proposed: Saturday, February 7, 2026, but this conflicts with Super Bowl weekend
- Agreed to move the banquet one week earlier to avoid Super Bowl conflict

Financial Concerns:

- Drink ticket/gratuuity package cost was \$1,400, but historically underutilized
- Motion carried to switch to a cash bar and remove drink tickets
 - Ethan will revise and reissue contract
 - Final vote on revised contract will occur via email or November meeting
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Other Notes:

- Emphasis on securing door prizes and enhancing raffle creativity
- Budget for awards banquet deposit will be initiated once revised contract is signed

Board Elections

Timeline:

- Voting to open via MotorsportReg by October 18, closes November 10
- In-person voting allowed during November meeting

Candidates:

- Returning Officers Up for Re-election: Bob Neff (Treasurer), Arshia Akhtar (Secretary), Nolan Eberl-Coe (RE)
- Directors Up for Re-election: Tammi Entriken, Art Tapley
- Suanne Rische is term-limited
- New Nominee: Garn ?? Geran Rose ??
- Withdrawn/Unconfirmed Interest: Danny Bullard
- Miles Furlong was appointed to a vacant seat and does not need to run

Marketing Plan:

- Ethan and Arshia to coordinate email blasts, social media posts, and candidate blurbs with headshots
- Arshia volunteered to help format and post social content
- Discussion held on using TikTok and Discord; no official motion made

Race Report – Sitara Wilson

- November race date still pending confirmation for 2027 calendar
- Schedule will largely mirror last year's
- Highlighted importance of paddock mapping due to space constraints
- Discussion on class structure and participation patterns
- Sitara reported rising popularity of Formula X (FX) and declining national support for Formula V, despite strong turnout at runoffs
- FMZR's (Formula Mazda) continue to grow with 25 chassis shipped and increasing interest

Time Trials – Taylor Burnidge

- September: No event due to Nationals conflicts
- October 25, 2025: Upcoming 3.1 event
- December: 1.65 event at ECR will feature:
 - Morning: Regular sessions
 - Afternoon: Consistency Challenge (score based on lap time standard deviation)
 - Custom trophies prepared
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- 2026 Preview:
 - April: Joint Time Trials + Club Race event
 - Another Women on Track day planned after positive response to July 2025 event

Solo – David Powers

- Strong year overall; biggest season to date
- Site scouting: Palmetto, Mineral Wells, Burleson discussed
- Mineral Wells remains likely, but hotel access is limited
- TMS (Texas Motor Speedway) infield rejected due to cost
- Formula Drift support event happening October 18–19 with volunteer participation
- Solo is placing a \$2,000 order for spare timing equipment due to Race America closing
 - Order must be placed before end of October
 - David confirmed payment will be invoice-based
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- David accepted a new job in Arizona, starting December 1, 2025
 - Will finish the 2025 season and assist with 2026 planning
 - A new Solo Chair is needed for 2026
 - Two potential successors being considered

Rally – John Poulos

- Planning to revive RallyCross program in 2026
- Actively reaching out to prior participants
- Goal: 3-event calendar
- Enthusiasm from public confirmed; members have expressed interest

Membership – Ethan

- 30 expired / 31 new members
- Continues to receive member inquiries; some routing questions to proper AREs
- Suggested improving Facebook traffic; minimal engagement currently
- Discord now active with private board channels and member discussions
 - Used heavily by Solo & Time Trials groups
 - Will not be posted publicly to avoid spam
 - Permanent invite link now fixed and sent with newsletter

Treasurer’s Report – Bob Neff

- Race anomalies: Being investigated; early-year QuickBooks access issues led to some miscodings
- Solo receipts (Miles): Now received and will be reflected in updated financials
- Oct 5 event: Site paid; revenue pending due to delayed deposit from MotorsportReg
- Timing equipment rental income (\$2,000+) now received
- IRS 990 filing due: Nov 15; CPA has all documentation
- State filings complete: Public Information Report submitted, legal status confirmed
- Outstanding legacy QuickBooks issues: Submitted to CPA for guidance
- Race gas cards: Previously uncharged cards are now being allocated properly
- YTD Net Loss: ~\$13,000
 - Expect to close 2025 at ~\$9–10K deficit, improved from 2024
 - 2026 forecasted to be financially stronger due to corrective measures and more accurate accounting

Bylaws Language Update Discussion

- Bob presented National SCCA Language Guide for inclusive terminology
- Recommendation to replace terms like chairman, his/her, etc. with gender-neutral terms like chair, they, or member
- While not mandatory, SCCA National strongly recommends aligning bylaws
- Bob has prepared a pre-revised version of bylaws
- Motion to present bylaws changes to membership with election ballot: Passed unanimously
- Arshia to work with Taylor and Ethan to include revised PDF and clear language in election communication

Round Table

- May 2025 and August 2025 minutes still missing on website — Arshia to coordinate posting
- Memorial request: Phil Osborn to be added to memorial section; Arshia to ask Matt to draft tribute

- Board reaffirmed region's position as non-political; changes are administrative, not ideological

Meeting Adjourned at 9:41 PM