



Minutes of Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John & Pam Aulisio, George Beeker, Lou Rocca, Marilyn Gallap, Mike Sawicki, Butch Eddy, Bob Rodowicz, Donnie & Joanne Lamoureux, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Dick Valenti, Charlie Messina, Dave Kosla, Gary Rougeau, Ron & Cindy Brouker and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

**Old Business:**

- Dec 9 Zucchini's – Thanks to Carmen for arranging the event. We had 31 people and the meals were great. Most got individual slips except for 1 table.

**New Business:** See the calendar on our website [www.corvettesofberkshire.org](http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org). Many events will be added as the information is received.

- Dave opened up nominations for Club officers. With no new nominations, the current slate of officers was submitted. Fran cast the vote to accept the slate and was seconded by Mike Sawicki.
- Dave asked that members consider new or repeat events that they would like to see in 2018. He sent an electronic questionnaire out for your input. **Please respond within 2 weeks** so we can schedule the BOD meeting to determine the initial 2018 events. Please consider also being the lead in an event. The responsibilities now, with the benefits of e-mail, are simple. (See the end of this newsletter.)
- Jan 13 2018 Holiday Dinner @ Mazzeo's (Dave). We currently have 55 people registered. Arrival is at 6:00 and dress code is evening casual (sweaters or sport coat).
- Mass Moca has free admission for Berkshire County residents from Jan 3-19. Dave will include this info in a follow-up e-mail.
- Swap Meet at BIG-E is being held on January 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

**2018 COB Official Planned Events** (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- Not yet available

**Recurring events** 2018 – not available yet

**Treasurer's report:** Starting Balance of \$2,210.92, plus \$20 from 50/50, plus \$1,075 from 2018 Holiday Party, plus \$150 for Santa fund, plus \$880 from 2018 dues, leaving us an ending balance of \$4,335.92.

Raffle of \$19.00 was won by Bob (He sat next to lucky Deb J!).

**Next COB Meeting is Wednesday Feb 7th, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.**

**Club Event SOP** – We encourage anyone who is going to attend a "Cruise-in" event, or set up an impromptu dinner, to send out an e-mail to all members who may be interested. This can be done by going to your MOST

RECENT e-mail you received from the club... and clicking "Reply All". That will pull all of the most recent member e-mails into the "To" section for your e-mail. You should **then change the subject (so we know that it is new)** and add the content that you want to send out.

We encourage individuals in the club (anyone) to accept responsibility to coordinate any event that they wish. Whether a small group... or large... it does not matter. The responsibility is not difficult... There are only 5 key points...

1. If the activity involves dining, do we have the ability to sit (at least somewhat) together?
2. Will the establishment provide separate (couple's) checks?
3. If it is a "fair weather" event (meaning driving the Vettes), is there parking that will be acceptable to those attending?
4. Set the meeting place prior to the drive, if applicable. (i.e. rest area, parking lot, etc... known to members)
5. Maintain a "count" by screening the "Reply All" e-mails that come back from members if the food establishment expects one.

THAT'S IT!

Keep checking our calendar (<http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org/cobcalendar>) for updates. Events are being added all the time. If you hear of an event that may be of interest to the club members, send the information to Dave at [DJ@corvettesofberkshire.org](mailto:DJ@corvettesofberkshire.org) and he will post it on the calendar.

Also, Corvettes of Berkshire is on Facebook!  Dave (with the help of Marie) will continue to expand the group. If you have not been "connected" yet, search "Corvettes of Berkshire" on Facebook and put in a friend request (<http://www.facebook.com/berkshirecorvettes>). This is a "public group" and a great way to instantly add photos, updates and ideas. Along with our website ([www.corvettesofberkshire.org](http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org)), we are quickly climbing out of the 18<sup>th</sup> century!

If you have updated a car or want a different picture on the site please e-mail it to Dave at ([photo@corvettesofberkshire.org](mailto:photo@corvettesofberkshire.org)) - with any details you want posted with the picture (Year, Paint Color, etc.).

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.