

ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 23 August 2014

1. President (Pro-Tem) Lawrie Alexander opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance and introducing the members of the Steering Committee. Appointed delegates from their respective clubs were invited to move down front to the conference table. They were:

MG Owners Club	Stuart Locke
Southern California MG Club	Adam Lombard
MG "T" Road Runners	Barbara Young
TC Motoring Guild	Steve Simmons
Sorry Safari Touring Society	Bobbi Tafaro
Sacramento Valley MG Car Club	Kevin Williams
Vintage MG Club of Southern California	Ken Thomas
2. The Steering Committee members whose terms were completed were George Kershaw and Mike Campbell. George was recognized and thanked for his service which was met with a warm round of applause. Lawrie then announced that he would be resigning his elected seat on the Committee because it would be a conflict of interest with his role as Chairman of GoF WEST 2015, which also carried a Steering Committee seat. Mike Campbell offered to serve another term provided he not be asked to Chair another event. Nominations from the floor were Rick Pullen, and Dave Edgar. Steve Simmons declined nomination but offered to be available in a non-voting, advisory capacity. A motion to accept the proposed nominees passed by unanimous voice vote.
3. The floor was opened for comments on GoF WEST 2014. Hospitality was criticized for limited selection of food and drinks. It was pointed out that being in a "public" room, any beer or wine served were required to be purchased through the hotel management at very unfavorable prices. Also, it would have been nice to have Hospitality closer to Registration. The hotel was excellent. The food was great. The staff was attentive. The Rallye was good.
It was suggested that voting on Arts & Crafts, Photos and Models not begin until all entries had been received.
More staff needed to receive Arts & Crafts and Auction items upon arrival.
Make it clearer that voting on the First Timers is to be done at the First Timers Display, not at the general Car Display.
Make greater recognition of Registration #1.
A two point lanyard was suggested to prevent name tags from turning over or blowing in the wind.
4. Lindsay Costigan presented an update on the status of GoF WEST 2015. Their website is up and running. Contracts have been secured for the hotel and grass field intended for the Car Display. They intend to reach out to the MGAs and Bs to participate since the National MGA and MGB Registers are holding their meets at Niagara Falls, leaving the western MGA and MGB owners without a major meeting event next year.
5. Suggestions for 2016 and 2017 were discussed. The Queen Mary in Long Beach, the Pismo Beach area in south central coast and Reno were suggested, but no specific offers to host were forthcoming.
6. A proposed By-Law amendment to remove the phrase "*T-series and earlier*" was discussed and tabled until a decision could be reached as to whether it had been submitted in accordance with the protocol for amending the By-Laws.
7. There followed a discussion as to whether or not emails were to be considered "in writing" and Teleconferences constituted proper meetings. The subject was tabled to be carried over to the next Steering Committee meeting.
8. The floor was opened for new business. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.