



## SCCA Fresno Chapter Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2025

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**Meeting held at Fresno Mazda Conference Room. 5499 N Blackstone Ave, Fresno CA  
And on Zoom. Meeting called to order at 6:31PM.**

Attendees: Brandon Griggs, Kyle Matsumura, Rebecca West, Mariah Douglas, Audrey Tan, Paul Newton, Gary McDaniel, Aaron Douglas, Patty Jeschien, Dan Correll, Aidan Seielstad

Roll call of directors and declaration of quorum. Brandon Griggs, Kyle Matsumura, Rebecca West and Mariah Douglas are present. A quorum has been established.

### **President's Report**

Brandon didn't attend the events but he was told everything went well and were well received. The course was fun and Ric was able to get his car finished in time to bring it out to race. The Forza 44 night event brought out a different side of the club being non points, more casual with live music and a kickback fun night event. The event kept spirits high and brought a cultural aspect to the club that was well deserved. Thank you and great job to Audrey and Kyle and everyone who helped make the day and night autocross events happen.

### **Vice President's Report**

Our next event is sanctioned and ready to go. Registration hasn't opened yet but Aaron and Aidan are working together to chair event 9

### **Secretary Report:**

Becki motioned to approve the May meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Audrey. The May meeting minutes have been approved with no opposition.

### **Treasurer's Report**

We raised \$1,900 from the night autocross event for the Forza 44 scholarship. We have collected \$865 from our club t-shirt fundraiser that is ending on June 20th. The Treasurer's Report was approved with no objections.

### **Old Business**

**T-Shirts:** We currently have 62 pieces which exceeds our goal of 50 sold. Gary said we should market the t-shirts as one of a kind due to the logo being different from our current one. Every year the club has shirts with a unique logo and design so every t-shirt the club has made is one of a kind. Dan said he has received a few emails from people asking how to pick up their shirts because they won't attend the July event. We will keep all orders in the trailer till the end of the year and any shirts left at the end of the year will be donated.

**Review Events:** Audrey said the Forza 44 night event went great and there were 2 people that donated money without registering to race. Audrey made thank you letters for those people and will have Ric sign the letter then give it to them. Several people donated extra money, big thanks to Dan who came up with the idea of adding an extra donation box while people were registering. Audrey budgeted \$30 per person for 50 people to get to our goal of \$1,500. Thanks to Dan's idea is how we exceeded our goal for the Forza 44 fundraiser.

Audrey said Kyle did a fantastic job making the course fun, fast and technical. There were no timing issues with the day or night event. The night event went better this year than last year's. Unfortunately we weren't able to do the paddock along the oleanders but Robert from the



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Fresno Fairground Security was able to turn on the lights in the oleanders so the course had more light. Dan suggested not running the course backwards as it is a non point event it didn't matter. That also meant no one was trying to learn the course in the dark. We did 4 runs instead of 3 due to how fast the course was. We were finished with the event around 10:30 PM and everyone was packed and leaving by 11PM. There were only a few DNF's during the night event and sadly one differential that blew. Brandon wants to thank Audrey as this was the 2nd event she has chaired this year. Kyle said both events went very well and all the feedback from last year helped this year go so well. Kyle wants to thank Audrey for doing all the smaller details. Audrey thanked Kyle for doing all the hard work.

**Logos:** No new updates or changes on logos. Audrey still likes the idea of unveiling the new logo at the end of the year so we can start the beginning of the 2026 season with the new logo instead of changing logos mid year.

**Sandwich Boards:** Brandon is still looking into them. We will use them to post advertisements and useful info like where to go for new autocross drivers. Brandon thinks we'll need 6 boards.

**Timing Cables:** Brandon hasn't bought spare timing data cables yet. Since there were no issues at this event it's possible it is not the cables, but we also didn't use the faulty farm tech antenna. The FM transmitter was also off most of the day because when it was turned on the sound was blending with another station so we decided to keep the FM transmitter off. We'll need a new frequency next time if it happens again.

**Central Valley Motor Mob:** Fabian attended event 8 with a few friends. It seems like they will sign up to race again. Fabian is hosting an event on July 19th. Aaron and Mariah will take the Fresno SCCA canopy to the event and talk about our club and all the activities we offer. We'll recruit more people and cars to join us.

**Site Acquisition:** The meeting to discuss the Elkhorn site was postponed. Aaron is still having issues trying to talk to Kern Raceway, he will keep trying.

### New Business

**Schedule:** Audrey suggested we don't do as many 2 day event weekends. We started doing 2 day event weekends to save money on site rental with the fairground but we are no longer saving money. We should have more frequent events as 1 day events, we shouldn't go 8 weeks with no events. Doing double days in January and February is great then we should do single day events. Attendance in March and May was down then our single day event in June we had 80 people. Brandon thinks attendance may be more weather related but adding in more of a mix of one and two day weekends into our schedule to keep our momentum going is a great idea. Doing 2 day event weekends is also exhausting because there is Friday night set up then racing all day Saturday and Sunday and there is not a lot of time for personal errands and activities. We want to try to do at least one event every month to avoid big gaps in our schedule. Becki and Kyle think the fairgrounds wants our new schedule in June/July so next meeting in July we will work to get dates for Kyle so he can book them with the fairgrounds. Kyle will talk to Taylor from the fairgrounds to get a list of already booked weekends. We'll try to schedule our events around the National Tour and all other local racing events.



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**Event 9:** Aidan has made a course that just needs small editing before getting safety approval. Once registration opens they will use the "Event Chair Helper Guide" to track what has and hasn't been done. What chiefs will/will not attend, all pre-event items like course safety approval, sanction paperwork, trailer delivery and pick up, etc. Then a day of event tracker to monitor and take notes of how the event is running, if there are any DNF's, cones hit or accidents. Then notes to give the chief of equipment of any supplies the trailer needs.

**Trailer Equipment:** Brandon is going to buy a garden hose for the trailer's water cooler. Audrey suggested putting the paddock near the pagoda so we can use the shade and water cooler. Brandon is going to buy new chairs for the trailer, a few of the chairs we have are already breaking. Brandon is also going to buy a new hitch lock for the trailer. The keys were misplaced and we had to break the current lock off the trailer so Brandon could hook to it, also considering how easy it was to break Brandon is going to find something more secure.

**Speaker For Meetings:** Patty gifted the club a bluetooth two way speaker to use for meetings as everyone remote was having issues hearing on site people talking. Patty said the speaker worked amazing so we thank her for getting that speaker.

**Next Board Meeting-** July 16, 2025 at 6:30PM at Fresno Mazda 5499 N Blackstone Ave,  
Fresno CA 93710

**Meeting adjourned at 7:11PM with no objections.**