



## SCCA Fresno Chapter Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025

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**Meeting held at K1 Speed F-1 room. 1200 Shaw Ave, Clovis CA  
And on Zoom. Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.**

**Attendees:** Brandon Griggs, Kyle Matsumura, Rebecca West, Mariah Douglas, Audrey Tan, Paul Newton, Dan Correll, Gary McDaniel, Aaron Douglas, Ric Quinonez, Tiger Luna, Leon Weinroth, Sanjay.

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

Brandon called a vote for the 2025 club by-laws. The vote was unanimously approved with no opposition.

**Important Information:** this will be our last meeting at K1 as we do not race enough after meetings and K1 is changing their hours to close at 9PM. We are proposing future meeting at Fresno Mazda 5499 N Blackstone Ave, Fresno, CA 93710

### **Old Business**

**Event Chairs:** Looking for people to chair Event 7, 9, 10 & 11. Tiger volunteered to chair event 7- Sunday May 18th. Still need event chairs for Event 9, 10 & 11.

**Fairgrounds:** No new rules or maintenance record from the Fresno Fairgrounds operations. Becki has talked to the Fresno Fairgrounds and they have not stated there are new operations or rules for 2025.

**President Report:** Brandon wants to get back to how the club was in the past that made this club great, wanting to bring back an emphasis to Sports Car Club. We want to make autocross less of the highlight of the club and bring in rallycross to start working together as a single chapter sharing marketing resources, communications, social media, recruitment, and the Fresno SCCA website. Doing quarterly weekend drives that possibly has an event chair, for example the aviation community Brandon used to be involved in did weekend flying to Monterey to get lunch then flew back home. There is more for us to do in this club than just meetings and autocross. SFR has an issue of getting attention and bringing in new drivers and retaining them, no one wants to get involved in an autocross planning club but it's possible people would want to get involved if we have more social events outside of racing. We can have a member of the month and car of the year, if anyone else has ideas please share with us. Brandon's goal at the end of the year is to have us be better equipped to attract and retain people that are not currently interested or involved in our sport because car manufacturers are making fewer manual transmissions and more crossovers and SUVs. Brandon believes we can make the changes and be the community of car enthusiasts that people want to be a part of.



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Kyle asked if we wanted to add a Chief of Fun and continue to organize and plan events such as what Quinn started last year of going to Me n Ed's Victory Grill for drinks and pizza after events. Brandon agreed going to Me n Ed's was fun and enjoyable but unfortunately Brandon as well as many other club members have children underage and in the main bar area you cannot have anyone under 21 and it is difficult to put together several tables in the dining room to have all club members sit together. Brandon suggested to continue going out for food after autocross events and to specifically include new drivers, if you see any while autocrossing. Brandon liked the idea of adding in a new chief position but possibly being for community outreach or new membership. Brandon said he is willing to make it a presidential responsibility that if he's aware it is someone's first autocross then he should go talk with them and introduce himself and the club to make a connection to a first time driver

**Vice President Report:** Kyle would like to thank Becki for guidance in his new responsibilities as VP. Kyle is starting to contact the fairgrounds to start getting contracts signed. Insurance is sanctioned till the end of February including the school. The correct phrasing has been added to reflect "The Big Fresno Fair" on insurance. The Police Autocross Charity event was not filed as a charity event due the limit on charity events shared between the 3 chapters Sacramento, San Francisco and Fresno, as well the fairground would've wanted information of who would receive the charitable funds. Kyle would like to propose signing contracts with Fresno Fairgrounds at the same time with Sanjay with autocross and rallycross events.

**Treasurer Report:** December's Treasurer Report was put together from bank statements. January is also put together from bank statements. Becki doesn't currently have access to the checkbook or named on the account as a signer, she is working to get added to the account. We have expenses for the banquet, we expect to be reimbursed for some of that from raffle tickets. We still are waiting for receipts from Kyle to reimburse him for being the Forza 44 scholarship winner from 2024. The payments to Fairgrounds are outstanding as Becki doesn't have access to the checkbooks yet. Becki is going to audit the account looking at the payments made to the Fairgrounds, there is discrepancy with what events have been paid for. Our rate for a double day is \$2,600 and \$1,300 for a single day. Audrey mentioned we will be seeing money come in later in January for event registration because we don't charge cards till registration for events close. In a previous meeting it was mentioned our club bank account was being charged a service fee, Becki confirmed we are not being charged fees. She will confirm with the bank if the fees were removed.

Brandon motioned to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Unanimous vote of approval to accept treasurer's report. No one opposed.

**Secretary Report:** Brandon motioned to approve the November Meeting Minutes as presented. Unanimous vote of approval. No one opposed.



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### New Business

**Street Touring:** Rules for car class have changed, make sure to check the rulebook to be compliant with the car class. PAX for SST has changed.

**Rulebook:** Unanimous agreement a physical copy of the rulebook in the trailer is not required as all rules are online.

**Rebranding:** Proposing new logo to rebrand our theme, website and “the look” for the club to share with rallycross. Our current logo was made in 1999. We want the new logo and website rebrand to reflect all activities our club is involved in; autocross, rallycross, sim racing and community events. We can wrap the trailer with the new logo and theme rebranding. We want our calendar to list all activity events so anyone looking on the website can pick an event or activity and choose what they would like to participate in. We need to start planning now to become the place to be for the west coast sports car club. We want people to choose their own adventure when it comes to our club. With a new logo we can order welcome and thank you signs for displaying at events. Brandon would like to remove the cone from the logo and make the logo reflect our Fresno California location, as well all the activities we offer. At the next meeting we want an official record of who would like to enter design options as our new logo.

**Website:** We are still looking for a new web host and someone to design a new website for the club. We would like someone local with a motorsports background, if possible, to professionally design a new website. Audrey proposed posting on our social media if anyone can or knows anyone to redesign our website. At the next meeting if no one has volunteered to redesign our website then we can reach out to local companies to get quotes.

**Sponsors:** Brandon spoke to his work, Xobee and they are willing to sponsor the tech side of the club and reimburse us up to \$1,000 for any tech related items throughout the year. Brandon suggested getting a Verizon internet card so we can introduce live timing. Brandon spoke to Andre from Elite Auto Spa about possible sponsorship of wrapping the trailer. They are not currently in a financial position to sponsor but they are willing to look at options in the future, possibly end of the year. Aaron was speaking to 559 Car Stereo & Alarm, they are interested in sponsoring the club financially or by providing the club with new speakers. Brandon is going to follow up and talk with them to see if they are still interested. Xobee would like their business name & logo on our trailer to show their sponsorship.

**Trailer Party:** Brandon as Chief of Equipment would like to thank everyone that went to the trailer party. Brandon would also like to give an extra thank you to Bert who donated a wireless microphone system.

**Inventory Of Trailer:** There are 31 apex (green) cones, 6 bananas, 264 orange course cones, approximately 50 of the orange tall black base cones. Brandon is proposing we purchase 25 green apex cones and 100 orange course cones. Estimated cost \$8 per cone plus an extra \$6 for reflector on cones. Rallycross would appreciate any cones we can donate to them. San Diego is planning to purchase cones within the next week, Brandon is going to reach out to see if we can co-buy cones with them to share on the \$250 shipping cost. Brandon is going to have the fire extinguishers recertified, if any fail we previously approved \$500 of trailer expenses.



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There were Bell helmets left in the trailer, we are unsure if they are lost or a donation. Please let us know if you are missing a Bell helmet. We have a good amount of post-it notes. Brandon ordered batteries and new chairs. Brandon has reimbursements for tech stickers and helmets from fast signs, Amazon receipts for straps to hold the easy up tents, batteries, chairs and painters tape. Audrey motioned to approve up to \$4,500 for cone purchases. Dan seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved with none opposed.

**General Discussion:** Tiger informed us that the prices for PO boxes will increase in 2025. We just paid for a full year of our PO box in December. Becki will be keeping the PO box key for the club. We are still missing a set of keys for the trailer locks, if anyone has a set of keys please return them to Audrey or Brandon. We have 55 people registered for the banquet on Saturday January 18th. The driving school is full and has a waitlist, we have plenty of instructors for the school too. We have almost 90 people registered for the first autocross on Sunday January 26th. Teen survival still has open spots, workers and instructors are needed. The Police Charity event has 31 people signed up, our goal is 40 people. We have 2 law enforcement agencies, Fresno PD and Fresno County Sheriff, we have a goal of 3 agencies so we have reached out to CHP, Clovis PD and Madera PD to join our event. Annual Tech will be available Saturday. Audrey suggested starting an online survey for the school to see what students liked and disliked and suggestions for improvements. Sanjay would like to invite more autocross drivers to rallycross. Brandon is going to make an announcement at event 1 to recruit more drivers to rallycross. Sanjay is starting a championship series for 2025 and we can possibly have a dual banquet for awards at the end of the year. Current cost for a 2 day rallycross event is approximately \$160. Average attendance at a rallycross event is 40 drivers.

### 2025 Chiefs

**Timing-** James Franks & Tiger Luna  
**Registration-** Dan Correll & Audrey Tan  
**Tech-** Alex Neufeld & Bert Schneider  
**Novice-** Andrew Padua  
**Impound and Protest-** Mikey Bringetto  
**Equipment-** Brandon Griggs  
**Safety-** Ric Quinonez  
**Promotions-** Yang Moua  
**Waivers-** Patty Jeschien  
**Web-** Paul Newton

Thank you to all the 2025 Chiefs.

**Next Board Meeting-** February 19, 2025 at 7PM at Fresno Mazda 5499 N Blackstone Ave, Fresno, CA 93710

**Adjournment motioned by Brandon without objection. Meeting adjourned at 8:21PM.**