

Grand Strand British Car Club
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2021
Mulligan's at Little River, SC

The November meeting of the Grand Strand British Car Club was called to order at approximately 12:17 p.m. on Saturday, November 13 by President Dick Foltz with 37 members at the event. He warmly welcomed everyone, and reported that the club is refining its meeting pre-registration and pre-ordering process in an effort to capitalize on the time spent on the business and socialization facets of the meeting. Suggestions are always welcomed, and he reminded us that details for the Christmas parade, the club Christmas party, and club representation at the recent Course d'Elegance at Hilton Head Island will soon be revealed in ensuing reports. He encouraged all members to consider attending other club car shows, and emphasized what fun experiences the out-of-town shows are.

Dick invited Nominating Committee Chair Felicia Sachs to solicit candidates for all board positions. Steve Hertel was nominated for consideration as Treasurer, and the final slate will be presented for the election scheduled for the December meeting.

A vote was taken to waive the reading of the minutes by Secretary Patsy Hoch and to approve the September minutes (there was no October meeting due to Britfest) as published in the GSBCC Newsletter.

Vice President Warren Bender added to Dick's Hilton Head report that Lisa Unger's Alpha won the award for best European car and that Lisa, Kathie Foltz, and Jen Ann Zengara received honorable mention from Women Driving America. He reported the GSBCC member results from the Charleston show: Hoyt Wood won second in class, Johnny Shumate first, Richard Fritz first, and Stancy Bender first in class. He also encouraged all members to consider attending the 2022 car shows, such as the Columbia show and the Gathering.

The Treasurer's report, including the balance, was provided for Julia Nightingale-Born by Kathie Foltz: all bills that have been submitted have been paid. She added that Julia has done a great job and regrets that she must resign due to the care of her aging mother.

Patsy Hoch described the opportunity to participate in the Murrells Inlet Christmas Parade as a club. Registration has been taken care of, but if interested in the parade and the post parade pot-luck gathering, a member must fill out the online form. She will then provide more details, such as schedule, Toys for Tots, and what to bring to the gathering.

Social Events Coordinator Kathie Foltz encouraged members to sign up online and pre-pay for the Christmas party that will be held at the Italian Club. The prepayment does not include the tip that will be collected that night. Remember to bring a wrapped gift for the Club's Naughty Santa entertainment AND a gift in a gift bag for the Myrtle Beach-based charity, Gifts from the Heart, that will be distributed to local memory care and senior care facilities. Suggestions for charitable gifts include puzzles, books, and toiletries.

Locations for 2022 meetings are posted on the website, so check frequently: January - Heritage Plantation; February – annual Shine & Show - The Boathouse; TBD – a tech session just for women; November – we hope to be invited to participate in the club showcase at HHI (only 10 slots available).

Regalia Chair Ray Maggio reported that he is in the process of organizing the club items for sale and may consider new designs in the future. A question was asked about washing the t-shirts, and a suggestion to wash it inside-out was a good one.

Britfest raffle basket chair Stancy Bender reported that the 2021 Britfest gift basket raffle was the best ever, successfully raising \$1,491 for charity. That is much more of a profit than the first year, 2015, made: 19 baskets yielded \$409. She graciously thanked those who bought raffle tickets, those who contributed to the beautiful baskets and uniquely named them, and those who helped her with the sales: Lida Orto, Susan McLaughlin, Laurie Coltrin. She gave honorable mention to Dave Boyle who contributed the popular rebuilt carburetors that made us \$450, to Rick Orto who helped count tickets, to Dave Cook who helped her pack up, along with Jeff Lewis and Bill Scofield. And WE thank both Warren AND Stancy for making our Britfest such a success!

Alan Brown reported that his All 4 Paws Britfest table received \$240 in charitable contributions and collected 550 golf balls that will be recycled with money going to the shelter.

Social Media Coordinator Felicia Sachs again mentioned that Ethan is doing such a good job with our new website, and she reminded everyone to send her pictures for posting. Dick apologized that the HHI group wasn't able to send pictures because of the cold, rainy weather. She announced that the Carolina Forest High School is holding a chili and car show today.

Felicia held a trivia contest, coordinated with the help of former stunt driver Jack McLaughlin and based upon the recent Bond film, "No Time to Die."

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:59 p.m. by President Dick Foltz who appreciates such a great gathering, reiterated that we do fun things as a club. He, too, looks forward to working together to help others.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patsy Hoch, GSBCC Secretary