

# Mustang Club of America

## December 1997 National Board Meeting Minutes

by Jean Penn, National Secretary

The December 1997 MCA National Board meeting was called to order December 9, 1997, at 7:02 p.m. by President Charles Hampton. Roll call showed 29 Directors and officers present.

Guests and National Directors attending were; Peggy Watson, Tennessee Valley Mustang Club; Bill and Linda Price, Cherokee Regional Mustang Club; Markus Powell, Georgia Regional Mustang Club; and Norm Demers, Carolina Regional Mustang Club.

The October minutes were approved. Randy Church, treasurer, presented the financial report. A separate 35th Anniversary account has been opened. The report was approved.

As required by MCA Bylaws, all bylaw changes must be voted on at two separate meetings.

Article V Board of Directors, Section 2 Vacancies, current wording:

A vacancy shall be deemed to exist in the case of the death, resignation or removal of any Director, or if the authorized number of Directors be increased by amendment of these By-Laws and the Articles of Incorporation. A vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by the remaining Directors or by the members at an annual or special meeting of the active members entitled to vote. Such member or members so elected shall hold office for the term of the Director replaced, and until

the successor is qualified and elected.

Proposed change:

A vacancy shall be deemed to exist in the case of the death, resignation or removal of any Director, or if the authorized number of Directors be increased by amendment of these By-Laws and the Articles of Incorporation. A vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by the remaining Directors or by the members at an annual or special meeting of the active members entitled to vote. *When remaining Directors are filling vacancies, the top candidates, in descending order, not elected on the previous annual ballot, must first be placed in nomination and voted on by the Directors. When, and if, this list is exhausted, nominations will be taken and voted on accordingly. In the event the number of vacancies precludes the formation of a quorum, a simple majority of remaining Directors, including proxies, will prevail in the nomination and election process.* Such member or members so elected shall hold office for the term of the Director replaced, and until the successor is qualified and elected.

The motion was made to accept this change. The motion was seconded and passed.

Article V Board of Directors, Section 9 Quorum, Current wording:

Two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors and/or Officers, excluding Regional Group National Directors, shall be necessary to

constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except to adjourn as hereinafter provided.

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### 1998 Board of Directors Installation Dinner

The installation dinner will be January 17, 1998, at the Atlanta Marriott Gwinnett Place, 1775 Pleasant Hill Road, Exit 40, I-85 North. The room rate is \$69 plus tax. The hotel number is (770) 923-1775. The cocktail party will begin at 7 p.m. with dinner at 8 p.m. An orientation meeting for newly elected directors will begin at 4:30 p.m.

### 35th Anniversary Show

Jim Osborn, chairman, stated the Committee is finalizing discussions with major sponsors, including Ford, Mustang Monthly, and Saleen. More associate sponsors will be contacted. (During) the third week of December, Jim Osborn, with Assistant Show Chairmen Don Perry and Larry Kilgore, will sign the contract with Charlotte Motor Speedway. They also will contact hotels for the event. Work on the official logo has begun.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Accessory Committee**

Butch Hollingsworth, chairman, displayed the new MCA car tag. Tags will sell for \$10 each. Regional groups may purchase 25 tags at \$6 each for resale. Regional groups should contact the MCA office for information. Butch discussed the green denim shirts and the MCA watches which are available in limited quantities. In the January *Mustang Times* there will be a closeout of existing accessories. The new MCA golf shirt will be in a herringbone weave.

### **Membership Committee**

Chairman Don Cox said the letter to 500 non-renewals had been mailed. The Membership Committee recommended a membership contest in which current MCA members could recruit 10 new members and receive a one-year free membership. The top three members who sign up the most new members will receive two tickets to the "Evening with Ford Dinner" at the 35th Anniversary show. These three members will be recognized during the dinner. The National Board of Directors and officers are ineligible for the contest.

### **Mustang Museum**

Bill Dillard, chairman, (Mustang Museum Committee) announced the Mustang Museum web site is on the Internet. It can be accessed at <http://www.mustangmuseum.org>. The (Mustang Museum, Inc., Site Selection) Committee is making site selection visits. The final city is scheduled to be announced in April 1998.

### **National Show Committee**

Ricky Simmons, chairman, said one application has been received for the 1999 Grand National. Regional groups are encouraged to host National shows. For a National show

application and information contact Ricky Simmons, P.O. Box 387, Demorest, GA 30535 or call (706) 778-6329 after 7 p.m. EST. The Grand National show will be awarded in February 1998.

### **Nominating Committee**

Chairman Larry Kilgore said over 1,100 ballots were returned. Nine ballots were disqualified as a result of voting for more than 17 nominees. Larry thanked Jim Johnson and Rebecca Marcum for serving on the Committee. The Nominating Committee presented Charles Hampton, president, with the official results.

The following nominees have been elected to serve on the MCA Board of Directors for the period January 1998 through December 1998:

Wes Alford  
Wendy Bradshaw  
Don Cox  
Bill Dillard  
Tony Gowan  
Joe Horne  
Wilfred (Bill) Johnson  
Kenny Newcombe  
Jack Penn  
Don Perry  
James A. Ray  
Scott Sammons  
Walter Scott  
Cliff Watson  
Bruce Weiss  
Arley Whitsell  
Dave Zimmerman

The following individuals are alternates and may be called upon, if required, to fill any vacancy that may develop as per the Mustang Club of America Bylaws. In alphabetical order, they are:

Joe Chambers, Conway, Ark.  
Stewart Jones, Palm Bay, Fla.  
Nathaniel Key, Lithonia, Ga.  
Gordon Land, Dallas, Ga.  
Steve Prewitt, Augusta, Ga.  
Joe Tashjian, Annadale, Va.  
Jim Watson, Canton, Ga.

### **Publishing Committee**

Tony Garcia, chairman, stated that 8,300 magazines were mailed in November. The January issue will contain four additional pages for 64 total pages. The Publishing Committee requests feedback concerning the inclusion of non MCA events in the event calendar.

### **Open Discussion**

Butch Hollingsworth reported on Ford Fun Day in Atlanta, Georgia. Four boxes of *Mustang Times* were given away and many MCA applications.

Several Board members in contact with their regional groups have asked about a video conference link.

With no further business, the motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved.

The next National Board meeting will be February 10, 1998, 7 p.m. at Gwinnett Civic and Cultural Center, I-85, Exit 42, 6400 Sugarloaf Parkway, Duluth, Georgia, 30135.

*All current  
Mustang Club of America  
members  
in good standing  
are invited  
to attend a  
Board of Directors meeting.  
This is an excellent opportunity  
to experience  
firsthand what goes into  
making this organization the  
largest Mustang club  
in the world.  
Meetings are held in the  
months of February, April,  
June, August, October,  
and December.*