

Studebaker Drivers Club Inc. (SDC) Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, January 11, 2026

All attendance was online via Zoom.

Call to Order: President Donald Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM Eastern Time and thanked all for attending.

Attending: Donald Cox, President; Denny Foust, Past President; Ernie Brown, Vice-President; Avi Prochazka, Treasurer; Cynthia Sale, Secretary; Carl Thomason, Parliamentarian; Peter Bishop, Northeast Zone Director; Tom Cantral, Southeast Zone Director; Bob Dudeck, Atlantic Zone Director; Clyde Furr, Southeast Zone Director; Jack Gregory, Pacific Can-AM Zone Director; Tom Sexton, Upper Mississippi Valley Zone Director; Ed Smith, Pacific Southwest Zone Director; Harvey Snitzer, Crossroads Zone Director; Jon Stalnaker, South Central Zone Director;

Approval of previous minutes: The SDC Board of Directors has reviewed the minutes of the December 7, 2025, meeting. Peter Bishop asked Denny Foust if the committee list and organizational chart had been sent to the current BOD members. To ensure all BOD members have the documents for future review, they will be sent after this meeting. With that clarification, Peter Bishop moved to approve the December 7th meeting minutes as written. Denny Foust seconded. Members voted by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial update: Signature Update. Treasurer Avi Prochazka reported progress on resolving the Wells Fargo signature authority issue. Wells Fargo requires signature changes to be completed in person at its branches. Chicago is the closest branch to Avi and Jane Stinson. He is working with Jane Stinson to meet in person with Wells Fargo in Chicago and expects to have the banking signature forms signed by the end of the month.

QuickBooks Software: Avi reported that the current QuickBooks accounting system used by the SDC is an offline, single-device license, currently under Jane Stinson's name on her personal computer, causing a risk of loss or inaccessibility. Avi proposed migrating to a \$456 annual QuickBooks Online subscription under SDC ownership. The proposal was tabled for a future meeting.

Changing accounting Firms: The SDC is currently using 1+1 Accounting, owned by Jane Stinson. With the change in treasurer, the accounting firm will also change to APAS (AP Accounting Services). Several questions were raised. Due to the open questions and depth of understanding needed to approve this change, the discussion was tabled for a

Special BOD meeting to be scheduled soon. Questions and comments should be sent to Don Cox for BOD review and discussion at that meeting.

Discussion: Actions to meet the significant increases in postage costs for shipping the SDC roster to Canada. Peter Bishop reported that a box of rosters will be provided to Susan Lusted, who would serve as the Canadian contact for orders and postage calculations. The rosters will be sold at the same base price with shipping costs added as needed. The board discussed logistics: rosters should be packaged in envelopes to avoid inadvertent public handling. Susan will collect payments and coordinate shipment; Mark Wheeler will assist with inventory/shipping logistics and forwarding funds to the treasury.

Discussion: 62nd International Meet in Waxahachie, TX: Don Cox reported that he has signed contracts with three hotels and sent them to Jane Stinson. The host hotel is the new Residence Inn, opening in June. The hotel list will be announced in Turning Wheels and posted on SDCMeet.com

Discussion: Use a different tool for online meetings. Zoom was used for a tryout session last week and for today's meeting. The board agreed to continue Zoom on a trial basis through March, when a definitive decision will be made to end the GoToMeeting subscription before its renewal in April. The recording function was used during the Zoom meeting; the board discussed the ability to listen to past recordings. Cynthia offered to check whether storage and secure access are available so the Zoom recordings can be saved for the BOD.

Discussion: SDC Online Forum Outages. The SDC Forum experienced repeated outages due to issues with the prior hosting provider. Mark Wheeler and Clark Novak took action to migrate hosting to a new provider with better protection and stability; the board praised their work. Switching to the new host provider will increase the annual cost by about \$150 and require a planned outage during the migration. The board discussed proactive communication strategies (website, forum, Facebook) to notify members of planned outages and anticipated delays, particularly regarding Turning Wheels production and distribution.

Discussion and approval: Creation of Satellite Groups. The new satellite group policy was reviewed. The board discussed scope, relation to host chapters, and rule-change implications. Carl Thomason confirmed that the creation of Satellite Groups does not conflict with the SDC Bylaws or SDC Policy and Procedure Manual. Members discussed next steps for outreach, publicity, and tracking adoption upon approval. The intentions are

to have a booth at the International Meet in Texas and several articles in Turning Wheels. Peter Bishop moved to approve the satellite group concept. The Motion was seconded by Jon Stalnaker and passed by unanimous roll-call vote.

Discussion, SDC structure, committees: SDC committee structures and chair appointments were discussed. The organizational chart and committee list will be shared again after this meeting. Don Cox asked if, going forward, the BOD should continue to meet as one board rather than be split into the Executive Board and the BOD. Several BOD members want to continue as a full BOD because of the importance of being aware of and involved in decisions in a timely manner. Don Cox said we would continue to meet as a full BOD. Peter Bishop suggested adding a BOD position to represent the vendors. Adding a Vendor Representative was well received by the BOD. Don will contact Milt Yoder to see if he is willing to join on a monthly or quarterly basis.

Route 66 Event Report: John Stalnaker has contacted SDC Chapters and external Route 66 organizations along Rt 66. Dan Scott and others are assisting with planning options to accommodate members who prefer less driving. Photo-submission alternatives, multi-day segments, and selective route coverage are being planned.

Antique Studebaker Club Report: Ed Smith reported the ASC is working with hotels in Waxahachie, TX, for their annual meet, which runs just before the 62nd Annual SDC International Meet in September. ACS has a new editor for their club magazine.

Avanti Club Report: Don Cox reported that in April, he will meet with Frank Petru, the AOAI President, during the April Avanti meet in Palm Springs, and will continue to build good relationships with AOAI.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM CST.

Respectfully submitted, January 21, 2026

Cynthia Sale, Studebaker Drivers Club Secretary

Next Meeting Dates

Executive Committee

Meetings will continue as a full BOD for the first quarter of 2026

SDC Board:

Special Board Meeting January 25, 2026