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Minutes of Meeting, 6 December 2017

The meeting was held at the Forney Transportation Museum, 4303 Brighton Blvd., Denver Colorado.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by President Dick Thompson. Officers in attendance were Dick Thompson, president; Tom Mansfield, 1st V.P.; Samantha Baker, 2nd V.P.; Dick Fritz, secretary; and Tom Kay, treasurer. 29 member clubs were represented and one individual member was in attendance.

Guest Speaker – Gordon Page: Gordon described the **Spirit of Flight Museum** which is at the Erie Airpark, 2650 S. Main St., Erie. The museum is a not-for-profit organization run by volunteers to preserve and promote historical aircraft and artifacts related to aviation. They are currently restoring a 1936 Lockheed 12A Electra, one of very few remaining, and to raise funds they are raffling a 1957 Thunderbird that was donated to the museum. The drawing will be held July 18, 2018. For details and to obtain entry forms, check the web site:

www.spiritofflight.com or phone 303-517-5078. The museum is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and monthly second Saturdays 10 am – 2 pm. They also are developing a TV show entitled CHASING PLANES.

Legislative: Leo Boyle reported that the legislature is in a bit of turmoil with legislators involved with sexual harassment and weapons violation charges, and we have yet to see what committee assignments and issues will be presented in January when they are supposed to get down to business. So far, nothing automotive related has been discussed. Apparently there is nothing sexy about old cars.

Leo noted that a former representative, Diane Primavera, who has helped with bills we have had interests in is organizing a fund raiser to support the Susan G. Komen Cancer Foundation. Location will be at the Mile High Bar and the date is February 9, 2018. A Great Gatsby theme is planned and they hope to have a 1920s-era car on hand. Give Leo a call at 303-321-6611 if your club can provide such a vehicle.

Minutes of the November 1st meeting were approved as published after the date of the treasurer's report was corrected.

2018 Budgets: Tom Kay presented the summary (through November) of finances compared to the 2017 budgets and projected budgets for 2018. It appears that we will not have to use reserve funds this year as had been expected in the 2017 budgets. The budgets for 2018 are again conservative. Following discussion the Operating Account budget was approved unanimously, the Government Relations budget was approved unanimously, the Swap Meet account was approved unanimously, and the Cruise account was approved unanimously. As a result, the dues and assessments will be unchanged for 2018.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tom Kay reported balances as of the end of November:

Operating Account:	\$ 601.22
Govt.Relations Account:	\$ -3150.00
Havana Cruise Account:	\$ 5862.09
Swap Meet Account:	<u>\$ 1533.87</u>
Total, All Accounts:	\$ 4837.18
Reserve:	<u>\$ 21631.65</u>
Total:	\$ 26468.83

Swap Meet / Car Show / Air Show 2018: Dick Thompson reported that the partnership with Front Range Airport (FRA) has deteriorated as FRA is unwilling to commit funds, equipment such as cones, or staff to assist a joint event. FRA hopes to contract with an event coordinator who would handle all arrangements and share revenues with them. CCCC might be able to work with such a coordinator to organize the swap meet only and Dick will send a letter to FRA stating this position. A number of contingency plans for holding a CCCC swap meet elsewhere were discussed. These included:

- (1) If there is to be a Colfax Cruise as has been suggested by a non-CCCC individual, CCCC might arrange a swap meet to be held at Mile High Stadium. Date is suggested to be July 28.
- (2) At the Hagerty Regional Office in Golden.
- (3) At the Forney Museum. It is estimated that there would be room for 75-100 vendors and congestion for buyers could be a problem. Parking revenue would be shared with the Forney.
- (4) Colorado State Patrol Training Track at Golden. Dirt access road could be a problem.
- (5) Rocky Mountain Metro Airport (formerly Jeffco) in conjunction with a Fly-In in June.
- (6) Adams County Fairgrounds (rent only part of the facility).

Dick asked for advice and assistance in finding a solution.

Havana Cruise (June 9, 2018): The conflict with the Denver Mecum auction is unavoidable, but the auction goes on for three days while the Cruise is on Saturday only. Rocky Mountain Thunderbird Club will be selling t-shirts but they will not be staffing the Stampede site and other volunteers are needed, perhaps 14 or 15 people to handle set up, poker booth, and traffic.

Charities to support: Dick Thompson has looked into 501 (c) 3 organizations that clubs or the council might support through benefit events. Our financial contributions generally are small compared to the organizations' budgets, but it was noted that our in-kind support, such as the toy drive and car show last summer at Childrens' Hospital make an important impression.

Forney Museum: The Forney deserves recognition for their promotion of older vehicles, and for their making the conference room available to the CCCC at a reduced cost. We recommend that clubs consider scheduling tours of the facility, and also make cash donations to help with their maintenance costs. It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously that CCCC pursue a partnership with the Forney.

Committees: As always, we can use club members to assist Membership, Legislative, Swap Meet, Cruise, and Audit committees.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018, 7:30 pm at the Forney Transportation Museum, 4303 Brighton Blvd., Denver CO. The Forney exhibit hall will be open at 6:30 for club representatives and presidents to see the featured cars, which currently are MGs. This is NOT an open house.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dick Fritz, secretary

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