2025 HCCA Board of Directors Meeting – Agenda

Location: Hickory Corners, MI, 2.30pm EDT

Date : Friday, July 18th, 2025

1. **Call to Order (14:33) -** **Doug Tomb**

2. **Pledge of Allegiance -** **Don Plumb**

3. **Board Member Roll Call -** **Rusty Berg**

President	Doug Tomb	☒
Vice President	Jim Skillicorn	☒
Secretary	Rusty Berg	☒
Treasurer	Kim Simoni	☒
Chairman of Board	Russell Holden	☒

Vince Altieri	☒
Don Azevedo	☒
Daniel Case	☒
Jeff Chattin	☐
Terry Cole	☒
Jim Diener	☒joined late
Jamie Holmes	☒
Peter Jakab	☒
Jeff Lesher	☐
Don Plumb	☒

4. **Recognition of Guests -** **Rusty Berg**

Michael Mackechney
Chris Paulsen
Susan Case
Steve Pelke
Issac Miller
Kelly Copeland
Bruce Tschida
Rick Britten
Bob Lederer
Kim Brodhagen
Paul J. Sloan

Ron Ehrenhoffer
Chris Holden
Lindsey Jackson
Stephen Chase
Rob Caldiera

5. Previous Meeting Minutes

Sunday, April 27th, 2025, 2:00 PM 1st BOD Meeting
Motion to approve (with or without amendment): Terry Cole
Second to Motion: Don Plumb

Vote: Uanimous Approval

6. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve (with or without amendment): Russell Holden
Second to Motion: Don Plumb

Vote: Unanimous

7. Committee Reports

Finance – Kim Simoni - Chairperson

Here is an initial chart showing historical Income & Expense cycles (Charts to be provided separately). Note, as expected, Oct-Nov-Dec are historically our best income months, along with a slight up-tick in Jan-Feb-Mar.
This makes sense because of how Lindsey traditionally sends out membership renewal notices (our biggest revenue item):

We send membership renewal notices every two months.
I send a large batch of renewals at the beginning of October, right before the Hershey event. Many members prefer to have their renewal in hand and pay in person at the tent. I then send another large batch covering November and December renewals all at once. This approach was established by my mom, and while it's a busy time, it helps with the many members who have end-of-year expirations

We "missed" $66,975.15 in membership renewal revenue for Oct-Nov-Dec 2024 that would have been part of our FY 2025 accounting had we not changed fiscal year to start Jan 2025.

Looking ahead and forecasting June – Dec of 2025 (simply using June – Dec 2024 number for income and expense, looks like this.
The Jan – May number are actuals, while the June – Dec numbers are forecasted:

Assuming nothing changes between now and Dec 31, 2025, based on last year's numbers, we will end up about $6300 in the red. That will be our gap.
We need to reduce expenses and introduce a membership drive.

We'll keep a tight rein on this over the next few months. We obviously have to be able to pay our contractors and our bills!
Let me know of questions,

Kim Simoni

Discussion:

Kim reported that the reconciliation have been sent out and that the club is about halfway through the fiscal year.

She reported that membership income looks lower because of the reconciliation of the change of the year end, and there is an expectation that this will be made up somewhat as the year progresses.

It is expected that the membership renewal income should pick up in the fourth quarter of this year. She reported that some forecast modelling is showing an potential year end gap slightly in the red. This is not ideal, and perhaps we need to reduce expenses and increase membership.

It does appear that the non-voting membership is increasing.

There is a recommendation to discuss creating a new membership committee, and the board will look into this.

Rusty raised a question about the impact of the restructuring and how that impacted the projected shortfall for the year.

The key takeaway is that the loss of membership at about 3.4% per year is an impact that should be looked into.

Russell commented that the 3% reduction of membership across the year is similar across the hobby, so the situation is not quite unique, but he mentioned support.

Motion to Accept Report: Russell Holden
Second: Don Plumb

Vote: Unanimous acceptance

Regional Groups & Registries – Jim Skillicorn - Chairperson

The submitted regional group survey results were the same as verbally reported by all directors at the National Tour & Convention board meeting. The most active regional groups; Midwest Brass & Gas, Susquehanna Valley, New Jersey, Bay Area, Salinas Valley, SoCal and Florida, which host major tours, have active member participation and maintain a board of directors, tour coordinators, directors of activities and membership, and have social media, such as, Facebook, Instagram and a website.

Many other regional groups are very active and also host tours and events. However, 40% described their regional groups as inactive, dormant, dead or extinct. Several asked for assistance and advice from the National Board of Directors.

The Southern Wisconsin Regional Group described themselves as struggling since they were established a few years ago, stating there are not a lot of HCCA members in Wisconsin. They have hosted several small tours and reach out to other regional groups for participation. Even with the Celebration of Brass, Old Car Festival, New London to New Brighton, and the recent MTFCI National Tour, they feel that there is a lack of National HCCA focus on the Midwest, feeling somewhat ignored.

All regional groups were pleased to hear from National HCCA board members and hope for continued interaction. The greatest common concern by all regional groups is the reduction of membership with most stating their members are aging out.

The National Board of Directors needs to determine a course of direction with "what works" and provide this to all regional groups via the Gazette, the HCCA website and follow-up phone calls. Even the most active regional groups feel the successful future of HCCA is based on National board interaction and heavy recruitment efforts.

Jim Skillicorn

Discussion:

Jim Skillicorn reported on the written reports received from the directors which are similar to what was reported in Orange, VA.

Doug commented that he had spoken in person with someone who had attended his first event 20 years ago, and that it seemed 20 years ago was there was a larger group of an older demographic. Currently it seems that the makeup of the events continues to be an older demographic, but a different group than that of 20 years ago. Doug commented that there is an appeal for the older demographic joining the club, and that any focus of recruitment needs to consider targeting both older and younger demographics.

Steven Chase raised a comment that a lot of the "young people" he was seeing are close or are retiring from their professional career and that it might be a good point to target this demographic.

Jamie Holmes brought up that one of the barriers to getting into the hobby is the price of admission, and that this can be a limiting situation for the younger crowd to join in the hobby.

Doug responded that he met a young family touring with the group and how they worked through issues with trying to stay in a motor home at an event, and that it might be prudent for those who are staying in a motor home (especially for the younger crowd on a budget).

Russell mentioned that it is probably a key point to define what a "younger person" is, as a lot of times younger implies closer to 40 years of age when it comes to purchasing a vehicle and balancing the needs of their family with their disposable income. He mentioned the best way to get folks hooked is get them seat time in a car both, riding and driving.

Motion to approve : Rusty Berg
Second: Don Plumb

Vote: Unanimous acceptance

Communication – Danny Case – Chairperson

Verbal Report at the meeting.

Discussion item: The HCCA needs a Social Media Administrator.
Responsibility would include the HCCA Website, Facebook, Videos, etc.

Club brochures to hand out need to be provided for every Board member. An initial supply of 25 brochures should be sent to every Board member to hand out at events they attend this year.

Discussion:

1.) He raised a concern about the downtime of the website, that it seems like the site seems to be down at an oddball time for maintenance, and that this has only happened since we changed providers. Russell commented that we should engage Peter to ensure that this downtime is minimized as much as possible.
2.) He commented about the prevalence of SPAM ads on the website and that Peter is working diligently to remove the ads as quickly as possible. There is no system in place to approve the ad before it is posted on the website. Danny mentioned that he will look into this further.
3.) Russell commented that the Education committee is working to change the educational content of the website and that this information was forwarded on to Danny
4.) Danny and Russell commented that the website photo is being updated, but it is important to keep the content provided to Peter Gariepy so that it can be updated.
5.) Danny commented that he spoke with Chris Paulsen who is maintaining the HCCA Facebook page, and there is a fair amount of activity on the page requiring effort to ensure that the folks who are joining to be screened (about 40 to 100 requests a day) Chris commented that he is happy to continue managing the page, but he would like to get some support. He also mentioned that he is the moderator, however the administration is not in his purview as it is being done by other folks. Peter Gariepy has the authority to set up Chris as an administrator, and also request Brad Balduff and his sister be removed from the administration role. This will also give Chris the ability to nominate a moderator. Danny will follow up with Peter on this. (Action)

Vince reported that he has updated brochures with updated contact information. Vince reported that there are about 300 brochures left from the run of 500 that was printed.

Danny commented that had been discussion to get brochures to the regional groups for handing out, but this never happened. Lindsey followed up that content had been sent to groups that requested them, and she still actively sends things out to groups that request them, but it might be good to remind the regions that there is stuff available to.

Jamie commented that he had given out a significant number of the brochures and handed over some to the newly formed Quebec group.

Steven Chase shared that the Southern California region has a post card with a QR code on it that the members carry when they are out and about. Doug commented that this might a good low cost alternative to a brochure.

Vince mentioned that the post card idea that Steven Chase highlighted might be a good thing for the group to follow up with.

Lindsey spoke to the status of the brochure and the design of it being a bit dated. Danny will look into this for the next round of printing.

Don Azevedo mentioned that it might be a good idea to focus on the regional group side of things since it brings the local connection to the interested person as opposed to the national organization. He mentioned that it would be good to younger mechanically minded folks involved, not necessarily focus on the completely on the older demographic.

Rob Caldeira also echoed the concept of the regional group sharing a flyer which will help to feed new members to the region and then onto the national organization.

Steven Chase commented that he witnessed at the Santa Clara Endurance Run where there was a tent with a label that said "Ask me how to buy one of these cars," which he mentioned is a great sales pitch to get folks involved.

Danny will bring updates to the Hershey.

Motion to Accept Report: Don Plumb
Second: Terry Cole

Vote: Unanimous Acceptance

Web Report:

Doug reported:

The HCCA Website needs an Administrator, to develop and approve Web content.
Web content is to be provided by the Club, this is not the job of the WebMaster Peter Gariepy.

Doug commented that this administrator does not necessarily need to be a board member, but an interested party as Peter needs to remain focused on the technical side of things.

As a point of follow-up the Committee should be the group that has final approval on the content that gets posted on the Website, and that there needs to be a point contact to help get the process moving.

Classified Ad Revenue:
No written report

Activities – Vince Altieri - Chairperson
Verbal Report at the meeting.

Doug would like to reintroduce the $10 per car, HCCA tour contribution, for each car on a National HCCA car tour. This modest fee has two purposes, first, to help supplement club income, and second, to help to cover the cost of the HCCA Insurance benefit we provide for all Club activities.

Jim Skillicorn has requested that another board member take over his responsibilities as HCCA Calendar Coordinator for the HCCA Website, and with other clubs.

Do we have a One & Two Cylinder Tour scheduled for 2026?

Discussion:

Vince apologized for not being present but commented that he is getting ready to move. (GOOD LUCK!)

Hershey: He commented that he will be taking care of the setup of the tent, tables, chairs, and needs for the setup at the event. He will be adding an easel with a sign encouraging folks to join the club.

Merchandise: Sold at Orange (1800), and Rockport Maine (1300-1500). He commented on the distribution of what is sold at each event. He commented that the inventory is in good shape and will be working to make an order to ensure appropriate supply for Hershey.

He mentioned he would be looking into a long sleeve dress style shirt (not denim) and that he was working to get something designed.

Tours: No major updates to report on the events, other than it seems like there is a lot of things going on.

Vince mentioned that he is looking into putting together a 1 & 2 cylinder tour for 2026, and that the International Tour in 2026 is a go with details soon to be released in the Gazette.

Doug commented about re-introducing the $10 per car fee on a National HCCA tour. This could help to defray the insurance costs that the club provides on liability for the national tours.

Don Plumb commented that it should be relabeled as an insurance contribution, it should be clear exactly what the fee would be for (it doesn't just go into the coffers).

Jim Skillicorn is asking for support in identifying a coordinator for the calendar.

Don Azevedo commented that the Western Gaslight 1 & 2 region is looking to put together a Regional tour in Exeter California, tentative April 9, 10, 11 2026. Vince commented that it would also be nice to have east coast tour if someone were to step up to plan it.

Lindsey commented that the National News can now include links to things like tour registration pages, and typically they have been pulling the links from the calendar, so for those planning tours it would be good to include the link on the calendar so that it will then go out in the National News.

Motion to Accept Report: Don Plumb
Second: Russell Holden

Vote: Unanimous acceptance

Strategic Planning – Russell Holden – Chairperson

No written report.

2025 Nomination Committee – Russell Holden – Chairperson.

Verbal Report at the meeting

Russell Reported:

The bios and details for the 2026 elections, including four current directors have been submitted. He also recognized Bob Lederer who submitted a bio and that all are in the hands of Tracy and will be released to the Gazette.

Motion to Accept Report: Terry Cole
Second: Don Plumb

Vote to Accept: Unanimous acceptance

Discussion:

National News – Doug Tomb – Chairperson

Verbal Report at meeting

No major updates on the National News, be sure to get content to Doug for release in a timely fashion.

Discussion:

By Laws & Governance – Jeff Lesher – Chairperson

No written report.

Jeff has requested that the HCCA Bylaws be brought into compliance with the HCCA Articles of Incorporation. Specifically, this involves voting by spouses.

Discussion:

International Club Relations – Russell Holden – Chairperson

No Report

International Postage Committee – Jamie Holmes – Chairperson

Jamie reported he has spoken with Tracy, but he is requesting to table the report at this time so that he can have further discussions with folks on the topic. He plans a report out at Hershey.

Horseless Carriage Gazette – Kim Simoni – Chairperson

No Written Report

Kim commented that the quality of the gazette is still top shelf. Tracy has been on top of the content and ensuring timely review with the committee, and that the process of the publication is working well. She commented that it might be good to try and apply this process to the website updates.

Motion to Accept Report: Don Plumb
Second: Doug Tomb

Vote to accept: Unanimous acceptance

Web & Gazette Advertising – Doug Tomb – Chairperson

No Written Report

Educational Committee – Peter Jakab - Chair

The committee met on June 30, 2025. We had follow up discussion of our plans to restructure the categories for education content currently on the HCCA website and YouTube channel. We have finalized the new categories shared in the April report to the Board, and have begun implementing the changes. Peter Jakab is in touch with webmaster Peter Gariepy about making those changes under the Education tab on the HCCA website and placing the existing content in the new categories. Once completed, the full Education Committee will review the content and make any adjustments. We are also looking into what education content may exist on the Regions individual web pages, and looking to add links to those materials on the HCCA national website Education page. This new content structure is also being implemented on the HCCA YouTube channel. The committee will next meet on August 19, 2025, and discuss next steps with regard to adding new education content—sources, process, review, etc.

Discussion:

Peter commented that he is working to get the content on the website updated and rearranged into more clear categories.

Peter Jakab commented that he has reached out to Peter Gariepy and will work with him on getting the website updated.

Peter Jakab commented that has been working with Peter Gariepy on search engine optimization to ensure traffic coming to the website. Russell and Peter Jakab will follow-up with him on the previous email sent to ensure that the updates are being made.

Jim Diener asked about content from Alan Travis. Doug reported that the content had been received, and there is work going to get the content posted on the website.

Motion to accept report: Russell Holden
Second: Rusty Berg

Vote to accept: Unanimous acceptance

8. Old Business

Gazette Scanning Effort by Russell Holden:
Ongoing effort, but slowed down by grants expiring. Verbal Report to the meeting.

Russell that he has been in contact with the team from the Horseless Carriage Foundation and that there have been some initial scans sent over and that the quality looks good. The work is a bit behind schedule, but there is progress in scanning. There is not a sharp vision of endpoint of the project at this time.

Membership Certificates:.

Last year at the June Board meeting, we agreed to re-establish the Membership Certificates as previously sent to new members when they join the National Club. Ongoing.

Russell motioned to consider the membership certificate topic be completed. No further discussion.

HCCA publish a "how to" informational guide, online and/or Gazette, on putting on tours. We have established a committee to undertake this endeavour. In progress.

Don Azevedo commented that the committee of three is working on updating the documentation. Basis for the documentation is a 23 page primer Don had put together in addition to the information that was developed by Skip Carpenter. The team is working to meet and finalize the updates to the documentation.

2026 Tour & Convention – Jim Skillicorn
Verbal Report to the meeting

Don Azevedo commented that the plans are working well, and there are expectations for 75 to 100 Horseless Carriages on the tour. The location will be Friant, just east of Fresno. The tour route development is underway. There is also a focus on making the event to be more of a convention. Events include a fashion show, navigator training supplier interactions, (i.e. have tables at the event to share information on Friday night). May 6 – May 10 are the targeted dates, and so far no conflicts have been identified.

Steven Chase commented that he was asked to coordinate the Bakersfield swap meet in 2026 with the national tour. The swap meet dates are targeted to be May 1 and May 2, leaving a gap between the swap meet and the convention. Steven commented that he and Jim Skillicorn, were looking into a bridge event between the swap meet and the convention, and that they had a Yosemite valley campout bridge tour. Jamie thanked Steve for putting the concept together.

Doug commented about the fact that the tours need to mesh well with the planned National Convention and tour. Russell commented that Jim and he had a discussion after the proposal for

the bridge tour, and that Jim was supportive of the event. Steven reported that he has been working to ensure that the tour is specifically being designed as a complement.

Museum of the Horseless Carriage Report – Doug & Russell
Verbal Report to the meeting

Russell reported that have been significant changes since the discussions in Orange VA. He reported that the finances are being brought under control. He reported that the contractor for fund raising declined the renegotiation of the contract. He reported that he feels the progress is on the positive up swing. There is a planning session scheduled for Sunday, and that should help to move things forward.

Action sheet from each Board meeting – Russell Holden
Starting at the last Board meeting, a running Action sheet from Board meeting to Board meeting is started in use. This is a practice that is used by many volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations as there is not a General manger or staff to undertake the agreed tasks. It was decided that this would be a good idea for the HCCA.

1. After each Board meeting the Secretary will update the Action sheet and emails this to all Board members and contractors within 2 weeks
2. That the Action sheet has:
    - Items to be undertaken
    - Person or committee responsible for undertaking the task
    - Finalization date expected
    - Date it is estimated to be presented to the Board as a report.

Doug will send a version of the sheet to Rusty to keep updated.

9. New Business – tabled prior to the meeting

HCCA Member Category– Don Azevedo

Background:
Membership requirements in the HCCA are clearly stated in the By-Laws. One requirement of concern is the requirement to own a horseless carriage to vote. This requirement is understandable for those of us able to operate vehicles. I have known two individuals that could not drive anymore and refused to sell their last horseless carriage. They were long-time members of HCCA and were in good standing. They wanted to retain the privilege to vote.

I suggest we honour our senior members by relaxing the horseless carriage ownership as a requirement to vote.

Pros:
Would demonstrate the significance the HCCA places on our senior members.
Would make available more horseless carriage vehicles.

Cons:
Require an amendment to the By-Laws.

Recommendation:
That the Board amend the By-Laws by adding a new category of membership named Honoured Senior Member. The requirement would be a minimum of 80 years of age and a continuous member of the HCCA for a minimum of 25 years. Ownership of a horseless carriage is not required. The dues requirement would remain the same and the Honoured Senior Member would retain all voting privileges.

DISCUSSION TABLED PENDING REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES FOR VOTE

HCCA Gazette Mailing for International Members – Russell Holden

Background:
There has been discussion for many years about the slowness of the Gazette arriving in Canada, Australia, New Zealand and other international member countries the Board has never undertaken to see what can be done to alleviate those issues. Recently there have been increased complaints about the Gazette not arriving, potentially creating a situation where members are not thinking of renewing. Personally, I have been carrier of Gazettes back to Australia for many years now and I mail them to member at my cost. Recently I have had to give away my copies of the Gazette to members to keep them happy. I with my other Club activities receive a number of International magazine all of which arrive 3-4 after being posted, sometimes my Gazette will arrive 2 months after its mailing.

Tracy has reached out to a number of Club that are US based and requested information from them as to cost and arrival time and gauging their level of complaints of their magazine not arriving. It should be noted that the Gazette editorship contract dose not require Tracy to undertake control of printing or postage, however she has always embraced this as part of her service to the members. I likewise have reached out to other clubs that I am a member of for some feedback on costing and arrival time also the level of complaints they receive about getting the Club publication.

To provide some perspective as to the value of international the membership

Lower 48 Membership #'s 2909
Value of Lower 48 membership annually – based on one year renewal $102,355
Hawaii & Alaska Membership #'s 11
Value of Hawaii & Alaska membership annually – based on one year renewal $605
Canadian Membership #'s 107
Value of Canadian membership annually – based on one year renewal $8025
Other Int'l Membership #'s 122
Value of Int'l other membership annually – based on one year renewal $10,370

International membership accounts for $18,395 of the Clubs current member revenue or just under 20% of membership revenue.

Tracy provided the following details from the contacts other antique automobile organizations with their insights:

Steve Moskowitz, AACA Executive Director
Yes, we do bulk mailing for foreign and yes, our foreign members are a bit frustrated. The cost of getting it there faster is exorbitant and would cause us to have to raise foreign dues substantially. AACA uses Modern Litho for printing and mailing.

Mark Lizewskie, Rolls-Royce Owners' Club Executive Director
We use Modern Litho in Missouri as our printer. Most members have Second Class mail but some pay extra for First Class. Anything going outside of the USA is automatically First Class. Sending mail to some foreign countries can be difficult as once it leaves the country it's difficult to track. The alternative would be to send out certain overseas mail using an individual Priority mail but that can be very expensive. We have some members who never get the magazine and we have to go that route. It's not ideal as we lose money each time. Foreign postage to Canada costs us about $4.20 per issue. Rest of World is about $5.15 per issue. If we send it out directly from us without using the bulk mail service it's so much more. I just looked to see what a Priority Mail International Flat Rate envelope costs to go to Australia...$$47.20 retail!.

Ben Oakes, The Automotive Research Library of the Horseless Carriage Foundation, Inc., Board President.

The last mailing was just 300 printed magazines with 282 mailings. Small compared to the HCCA. As with all organizations, we are losing money by mailing to our international friends. I am sure I could "bump" the charge but for now we are able to make it work. In doing the math, the cost for international non-profit bulk mailing per envelope is $7.73 per person. That is expensive.

All mailings to members in the United States are First Class Non-profit Bulk Mailing. This is cheaper at $2.59 per mailing - cheaper than if I was to mail these myself at the post office.
I honestly think that to control the overhead expense, we will have to increase membership $5 to $10 per member per year in the not-so-distant future. Our current paid membership is $40 per year.

Steve Bumgarner, Executive Director MTFCI
The Model T Times is mailed through Ascendia International mailing service. Int'l Priority Airmail.
Foreign postage averages $8.33 for 64-page magazine. I have never had any foreign member call to say the magazine did not come on time. Some get theirs before me in North Carolina.

Information from Mark Wooldrage, Spectra Print Customer Service:
Currently, we are mailing USPS Priority Bulk Rate. International pieces all go for the same rate, $7.41 each. Canadian issues are mailed for $4.65 each (those are delivered via USPS).
These are rough numbers to get us started-

USPS – we can actually mail all the way through with USPS, but to a more limited set of countries (you have to have enough pieces mailing to make a sack). That would limit us to the UK, New Zealand and Australia for this service, and we'd have to send all the addresses for these three countries via this service. According to my vendor, it will get things there a few days

faster, probably 2-3 days. For comparison, standard remail service to Australia is about $8.50 per address, but the USPS would be about $13). Still cheaper than taking it to the post office and doing it yourself!

International tracking – this is faster than USPS (4 days faster or so). Australian shipping would be about $20 per issue. It only tracks to the country of delivery, not to the final address.
Courier – for when it absolutely has to get there fast! Total delivery time is 4-5 days, and you can ship up to 4 pounds. To Australia, it would cost $50-$70.
As far as how to use this: in the future, we could break out our "problem addresses" and send them via different services. If you'd like to send me a subset list of a group we'd like to send, we can make a few quotes and get some actual pricing set up.

As a side note, the cost to mail one copy of the *Gazette* to AUS first-class runs approximately $14-15 when I mail from my local post office.

There is no definitive answer falling out of this feedback and as I say, I'm waiting for other publications to come back to me. It is clear, that the costs are all "Ball Park" the same, even though a number of different mail services are used. However it is also clear that the majority of other publication do not have consistent issues with slow delivery or non arrival.

Recommendation:
Rather than just have the concerns noted with no action item undertaken by the board. I would like to work with Tracy and another board member (volunteer please) to investigate the issue of delayed mailing arrival times, the cost of stepping up to a higher level, what impact that would have on the Club and if a potential rise in fees for International members is required to facilitate this? Or if there are other cost saving measures that can be undertaken to alleviate any additional cost.

DISCUSSION TABLED UNTIL NEXT MEETING

Harrah's Homecoming Tour 2026– Russell Holden

Listed for discussion:
Seeking Board approval for this to be a National Pre-1916 Tour. Details in a separate handout.

New event slated for July 2026. Registration information is pending release.

Events are being restructured to balance costs, and there are plans for a gaslight parade led by the Thomas Flyer from the New York to Paris race.

Russell reported he is working with the E.R. Thomas Registry, and perhaps the Salinas Valley Region.

Russell requested a motion to make the tour a national tour.

Terry Cole motioned
Don Plumb seconded the motion

Vote Unamimous for the tour to be a national tour.

HCCA Reginal Group giving up their charter– Don Azevedo

Listed for discussion:
If a HCCA Regional Group gives up their charter, what happens to their assets (treasury)? The Regional Group's bylaws do not address this issue and I do not find anything in the National bylaws.

Don reported Jeff Lesher provided guidance that if the group is not a 501C3 there is no regulation that they have to give the monies back to the National organization. It is up to the disbanding group to decide what to do with the funds.

No further action required.

10. Round Table

Vince Altieri – No comments.
Don Azevedo – Nothing to add.
Rusty Berg – Thanks for coming to Celebration of Brass.
Daniel Case – Great meeting.
Jeff Chattin
Terry Cole – Thanks for coming to West Michigan, and great meeting.
Jim Diener – Nothing to add.
Russell Holden – Glad to have made it finally (54 hours of travel)
Jamie Holmes – Nothing to add.
Peter Jakab
Jeff Lesher
Don Plumb – Thanks for supporting the Celebration of Brass and supporting the museum and having the meeting onsite.
Kim Simoni
Jim Skillicorn
Doug Tomb – Thanks for coming and being on site, sorry for the long board meeting. He commented that there are some committees that need reinforcing and he is looking for members to volunteer in support of that. Next Board meeting will be in Hershey 10/6/2025.

11. Adjournment (1637)

Motion to adjourn by Russell Holden
Seconded by Terry Cole

Next HCCA Board of Directors Meetings

Date:	Monday, October 6th, 2025
Time:	3:00 PM
Location:	HCCA Tent, Hershey, PA.