November 13, 1971

A. M. C C. MEETING

Minutes of the A M C.C. meeting held at the S.M C L A.'s Autumn Scrambles in Washington, D.C. on Saturday at 2:32, November 13, 1971.

Note: Prior to the start of the meeting, Vice-President Jerry Depkin read a letter of resignation from the President, Fernando Ascencio. He explained that since he was no longer a member of any club, he felt it improper to remain in the A.M.C.C. Jerry Depkin, as Vice-President, assumed the duties of President.

The following A M.C.C. Clubs were in attendance with either their President or Representatives:

Dick Dyer (Representative) Boston, Mass. Boston Bike Club -

Carlos Martino (President) N. Y. C., N. Y. Empire City M.C. -

Mike Cain (President) and Entres Nous

Jack Goodall (Representative Boston, Mass.

- Thom Pellikan (President) and S.M.C.LA.

Wash. D.C. Jim Twynham (Representative)

Roy Jones (President) and Don Spartan M.C.

Bruce (Representative) Wash. D. C

- Skip Carter (President) and Vikings M.C.

Sam Johnson (Representative) Boston, Mass.

David Labonte (Representative) N.Y.C., N.Y. Wheels M.C.

Guest Clubs:

Pierre Coulombe (President) - Montreal, Quebec M.C Kemo

Wash., D. C Fred Dobbs (President) Druids

The meeting was called to order by the acting President at 2:32 P.M.

- The Secretary called the roll.

- The Secretary then read the minutes of the meeting held at Marathon '71 in Maryland. The following corrections, omissions and deletions were recommended:
 - 1. To change the word "majority" to "onanimous", concerning the election of Entres Novs into the Council.
 - 2. To note for the record that "Leif Erikson" was not an official council meeting scheduled.
 - 3. To change the word "required" to "suggested" regarding the purchase of A.M.C.C. banners.
 - 4. To add that the A.M.C.C. banner will be made by Fernando Ascencio. Since there were no further corrections, omissions and deletions, the minutes of the past meeting were then accepted as read.
- The Treasurer, having just received the A.M.C.C. checkbook and records from the secretary, was not able to give the council any report at this time.
- The secretary was then asked, by Don Bruce, to write a letter to Fernando Ascencio thanking him (from the council) for his past service to the A. M. C. C.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. The A.M.C.C. banner was then discussed. It was generally agreed that the size and shape of the banner would be as was discussed at the last meeting, and that Fernando would make it to these specifications.
- 2. The President then brought up the subject of A.M.C.C. patches. He mentioned that the cost would be approximately \$142.80 and delivery would be 6 to 8 weeks. A local firm in Owings Mills, Maryland (Lion Brothers Co.) could produce these patches for \$.47 in quantities of 340. (Total cost of \$159.80). At the last meeting, a total of 155 patches were requested by present clubs. At \$.47 per patch, this would be \$72.85 for the quantity needed. It was suggested additional patches be ordered to take care of future clubs coming into the Council.

David L. (Wheels. M.C.), made the proposal that each member club could be assessed \$20.00 per club to raise the necessary funds. Don B. (Spartan M.C.) also suggested that perhaps a member club would advance the money to the Council for the patches. They could be re-imbursed by the Council, as the patches were purchased for what they cost initially.

Roy J. (President of Spartan M.C.) proposed that his club would be willing to purchase the Council patches, if he asked them! David L. also made the same offer!! He again reiterated his suggestion of assessing each club \$20.00. Each club could be paid back as they purchased the patches and the President of the Council keep a record of the patches sold. Don B. stated that he felt it would take too long to accumulate all of the money, order all the patches and keep a record of those sold, as well!!

Thom P. (President of S. M. C. L. A.) asked the Council the cost of each patch on an individual cost basis, and whether or not there would be any surcharge? The President of Apartan M. C. suggested that they be sold at cost only, but if the Guncil wanted to make a profit, make it a nominal additional cost. Don B. stated that, in his opinion, they should be sold for what they cost. He also suggested that perhaps each club could donate sums of money to help expand the Council's present treasury. After additional discussion, Mike C. (President of Entres Novs) stated that his club would loan the A. M. C. C. the sum of \$160.00 for the purchase of 340 Council patches. This money, in the form of a check, would be turned over to the Secretary of the A. M. C. C., when they return to Boston. The President of the Council approved the offer from Entres Novs, and the membership present passed the proposal unanimously. Roy J. suggested (since he had furnished the Council the prices and source for the patches) that the Secretary of the Council send a money order directly to the supplier for 340 Council patches.

3. Jerry D. then asked the Secretary of the Council for the Raffle Report from "Leif Erikson". The Secretary reported that the balance of the raffle (after the share had been presented to the winner at "Leif Erikson") was \$33.50. He also told the council that this amount had been turned over to the Treasurer. Thom P. then told the Council that another 50/50 raffle was going to be held at this run, also. Tickets were now being sold and that they would also be available at the door, during dinner and at the brunch tomorrow. The drawing would be held after the brunch tomorrow also!! The proceeds for the Council will be announced at the next Council by the Treasurer.

Carlos M. (President of Empire City N.C.) also informed the members present that a percentage of their up-coming Xmas Charity Party (Dec. 11) will be donated to the Council. Kip C. (Treasure) of the Council) told the Council that Fernando had received the A.M.C.C. records from the past Treasurer and had mailed them to him. He also stated that these records were turned over to the present Treasurer yesterday.

Roy J. suggested that perhaps, for the time being (at least until the records have been thoroughly checked and audited), the present Treasurer keep all current A.M.C.C. funds

in his personal account.

The Secretary asked if there were any Council offices who were due re-imbursement for A.M.C.C. expenses incurred during office, besides himself! There were none from the members present. The Secretary reported that his expenses from February 13, 1971 to November 12, 1971 were \$28.11. (A breakdown of these expenses will be attached to the minutes). The President called for a brief recess at 3:15 P.M.

- 4. The President resumed the meeting by asking each A.M.C.C. club to send a list to the Council of each of it's present offices. The Secretary then asked each club present to fill out the A.M.C.C. form asking for the club President's name, address, telephone number and A.M C.C. representative. Forms were then distributed, filled out by those present and were turned over to the Secretary for his records.
- 5. The subject of the A.M.C.C. Articles of Agreement was then brought up by the President. He informed the Council that the only club remaining, who hadn't ratified the Articles, was Wheels M.C. David L. (Wheels M.C.) informed the Council that his club had accepted the Articles of Agreement. The Secretary requested that Wheels M.C. return the signed form attached to the Articles, to the Council. Since all clubs, presently in the Council, have now accepted the Articles of Agreement, the President informed all members present that they must be voted upon. Sam J. (Vikings M.C.) made a motion that the council accept the "Articles of Agreement". The members present voted unanimously in favor of Sam's motion!!

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. The Secretary then read two letters he had received recently from Felix Jones, President of the S.N.M.C. of London, England!! Don B. then made a motion that the Secretary of the Council send a letter to the S.N.M.C., expressing the Council's sentiments of the amiable affiliation felt towards them. He also added that he felt that they (S.N.M.C.) should not be required to pay any dues to the Council The President agreed and instructed the Secretary to do so.
- 2. David L. then asked for a further clarification of "club assessment", in regards to annual dues. He further added, that with future raffles, etc., it didn't appear that it was necessary for any annual assessment. The President of the Council substantiated this and further added that when the A.M.C.C. had enough operating capital, future raffles could be discontinued, and held only when necessary.
- David L. then asked the Council what it needed for capital to operate on efficiently, on a yearly basis. The President asked Don B., as past President what he felt was a reasonable amount. Don B. felt that approximately \$80.00 to \$100.00 was a realistic figure, and that split between the 8 clubs in the Council wasn't a heavy burden to each member. The President felt that we could maintain our expenses within that figure and self-regulate ourselves during the year.

David L. then stated that a raffle held at each club's run during the course of a year could add up to \$200.00 and perhaps it wasn't necessary for any dues at all. Don B. also added that proceeds from benefits (such as Empire City's contribution to the Council) would also help.

All members present agreed that no dues were now necessary.

3. Carlos M. then spoke of the fraternalism of A.M.C.C. clubs in their own home city

and other cities. He mentioned an incident that occurred at an A.M.C.C. sanctioned run, without going into detail, concerning one of his members. Jerry D. suggested that the parties in question get together after the meeting. He also added that he hoped the clubs could get together and work out their own personal problems on their own without involving the Council.

- 4. An ammendment was then proposed to be added to the earlier motion by Don B., concerning the letter to Felix Jones (S. N. M. C., London). The ammendment was proposed that since the S. N. M. C. wasn't able to attend any A. M. C. C. meetings in person, that their eligible vote would go with the majority of the Council (in Lieu of a proxy vote). This would apply to voting in of new member clubs, etc. Discussion then followed with Mike C. asking for a clarification of "proxy voting"!! This was then explained! David L. questioned the "legality" of such a vote, concerning a major problem if one come up at a meeting in that they (S. N. M. C.) may not agree with the majority of the Council. The Secretary stated that he would put the question to the President of the S. N. M. C. for his opinions.
- 5. The President read a letter from the President of M. C. Kemo (Montreal, Quebec) to the Council in care of Fernando. This letter covered M. C. Kemo's application for membership. Jerry then read the formal request from M. C. Kemo stating their resolutions and request for joining the Council. He then read a third letter to Fernando from Manza T. (President of the B.B.C.) sponsoring M. C. Kemo into the Council. Pierre C. (President of M. C. Kemo) was then asked to leave the room while the Council voted on their acceptance.

Since B.B.C. had made the original motion for M.C. Kemo to join the Council and Entres Novs had seconded the motion, S.M.C.L.A seconded the second to the motion and the spartan M.C. followed. Don B. spoke about M.C. Kemo and stressed their being an asset to the Council. The President then asked the Guncil for the vote. It was unanimously in favor of M.C. Kemo's joining the A.M.C.C. Pierre was brought back to the meeting by the Past and Present Presidents, and congratulated by all members.

- 6. Dick D. (B.B.C.) then asked the Council President about the A.M.C.C. plague. plague. Fernando said that he would take the responsibility of additing new names to it. Don B. then suggested that the plague should hang in the city where the Council President resides. Where it's placed in that city would be up to the discretion of the President. No vote was necessary on this proposal, since the plaque was a gift to the Council by the B.B.C.
- 7. Jerry D. then requested that all up-coming A.M.C.C. member club's run dates be submitted to the Council Secretary no later than December 15th '71. He also suggedted that one member in each city to co-ordinate the run dates with other local clubs. The following individuals were selected for this responsibility:

David L. - Wheels M.C. (N.Y.C. & Toronto)

Jerry D. - S.M.C.L.A. (Wash., D.C. & Philadelphia)

Skip C. - Vikings M.C. (Boston) Pierre C. - M. C. Kemo (Montreal)

Don B. said that "The Eagle" will handle all of the necessary costs for artwork, preparation and printing the calendar for the A.M.C.C. He stated that all he needed was the calendar dates only from each club. The A.M.C.C. run dates will be in a different color. 8. The President then informed the Council that new A.M.C.C. elections were coming up soon. He also stated that the next official Council meeting would be held at Wheels M.C. "W-4" in May. He explained that technically nominations for candidates would be submitted at this meeting and elections wouldn't be until mid-summer. This would place the present offices into a term of one and one-half years. He then explained that perhaps more meetings should be held a year than the present three. He proposed that perhaps nominations could be done at this meeting and final voting at "W-4".

David L. commented that his club hasn't had time to consider any candidates for nomination as yet.

Don B. reminded the Council that the A.M.C.C. had voted on having only three meetings a year at Boz-2271 and strongly urged them to retain this decision. The President suggested that perhaps a Special Nomination Meeting could be held once a year in addition to the three regular meetings. This was restated in the form of a motion to have nominations submitted in person (or by written nominations to be mailed to the secretary) for a special Nomination Meeting to be held in Boston at Entres Novs "Days of Equinox". The elections will be held at Wheels M.C.'s "W-4" in May. The following official A.M.C.C. meeting will be held at the Vikings M.C.'s "Leif Erikson" in September. This meeting will decide the following three A.M.C.C. meetings for the coming year. All members agreed unanimously on his motion.

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 4:38 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Skip Carter

A. M. C. C. Secretary