

President Jennifer Ferrario called to order the May 3, 2025 Google Meet meeting of the SCRG at 9:05 AM. A couple of attendees were having problems with the platform, but we muddled through it. In attendance were Jennifer, Paul Winchester, Vice President, Bob Reeves, Treasurer, David Frazee, and Bob Moore.

Paul moved and Bob R seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 23rd meeting. Passed.

Jennifer asked Bob R to fix the spelling of her name on the website and to list her as “Acting Secretary” until another secretary could be found. It was also hoped that the link on the website directed to “contact” could be forwarded to her email address.

There was a brief discussion of the Ridge Route Tour happening on May 4th and the hopes that there would be another one scheduled in the fall that many of us unable to attend this one could take.

David made the motion for the SCRG to charge a \$20 registration fee to go on the Grand Canyon / Route 66 Tour. Paul seconded. Passed.

Paul discussed an idea for holding a barbeque for members in the fall that would parallel the Orange County Pancake Breakfast. Rather than having a raffle to attract and entertain attendees, Paul’s idea would be to hold a horse shoe competition or something similar. He had spoken with Bob M about the idea and Bob M had mentioned the possibility of holding it at the Santa Fe Regional Park and have the barbeque catered. Bob M had looked into it and LA County wants \$700 for such a reservation. Board members will look for another location for the event.

Paul thought we could put in to host the 2027 MAFCA National Awards Banquet. David hinted that it appeared that it was most likely spoken for and countered with the 2027 National Tour, wanting to revive the idea of touring Route 66 on its centennial. After explaining the logistics developed by Josh Ferguson and Rudy Perez of Temecula Valley, and the points that troubled their efforts, it was widely considered unpractical. David then mentioned Ed Tolman’s suggestion to revive the 2017 Kanab hub and spoke tour. This was remembered fondly by board members.

David suggested that we could have a hub and spoke tour centered in Ridgecrest to visit California’s National Parks, and Paul, mentioning the summer weather, suggested we should find someplace much nearer the coast. Each board member will ponder locations, talk up the idea with their chapters, try to secure volunteers and participants, and present them in a group email for us to coalesce into a single plan for us to vote on at our next meeting. David suggested we develop a timeline with a deadline in early August so we could present the idea to MAFCA Vice President, Happy Begg, in time for it to be approved at MAFCA’s September 18

meeting at Hickory Corners. The next meeting, which would be on Zoom, would most likely be in July, on a Thursday evening, such as the 3rd or the 10th.

Bob R gave a treasurer's report and once approved, he will post the minutes of both the March and this meeting on the website www.scrγμαfca.com

Seeing that there was no additional business, Paul moved and David seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:50 AM.

Submitted by David Frazee

Post meeting, an email was received concerning the \$500 donation to the Ridge Route Preservation Organization, promised by the SCRG Board at its February meeting. That was confirmed and a check will be mailed to the organization's PO Box.