CONVENTION MEETING NOV. 20, 2016 John & Sandy Pyrros' home

Meeting called to order @ 12:10 by Pat LeStrange

Paul Schroll – Treasurer's report: Checks arriving in for early registrations, etc. \$7,010 balance. Paul asked when money for our event to be given to hotel—it would be 3-4 days ahead of the start of convention.

Phil Guidone – Sending out thank you for donations and sponsorships. The official address to send checks & money will be Wendy Meehan & Pat LeStrange. Phil is handling the Ad book. There will be different sponsors & different levels of sponsorship for events, list of donors & ads.

Lois Martin – Club P.O. Box will be checked weekly while they are in FL for 3 months.

Mike & Wendy Meehan – Hotel liasons. Room counts have been met for all commitments. Wednesday night is sold out at the \$139 rate. Additional rooms @ \$199. Hotel cannot give any more rooms @\$139 rate. 96 rooms sold Thursday/96 rooms Friday & Saturday/91 rooms Sunday/34 rooms Monday/3 rooms Tuesday. Early check in is stipulated as 11:00 A.M. Wendy said she's received 67 Pre-registrations from 18 states, Canada & Sweden. First "50" full. There are 125 people.

Thursday's judges training will be in the afternoon from 2-6 PM. Welcome dessert Thursday 7:30 pm. As we get closer to dates, the hotel possibly will negotiate with us on rooms. Bookings are running way ahead of schedule. Each room booked the club gets \$10 rebate. Regarding final registration forms should be completed soon & online in January.

The San Diego club sent Pat a list their club compiled of good & bad problems at the convention they held in September so that we can review & make note. They listed some things what to do or not to do which can be a help to us. Joanne will send this out to the Chairmen of committees.

Lucille Chabala – Spoke about the activities.

The current schedule of events was reviewed and suggestions made.

Joanne Seiler – No report about the shirts & hats. She showed everyone a banner that was made up.

Harriett LoPicollo – discussed centerpieces. Perhaps a theme of "60th Anniversary of '57 T-Bird. Need easels for posters. It was mentioned that the hotel TV screens would be scrolling our daily activities re the convention. Approx. 40 tables needing centerpieces – need to raise budget.

It was discussed to look for detailing company to be at the show for detailing of cars. There were 3 crews working at the San Diego show. Also in need of Security company for overnight security of cars. 9pm to 6am @ \$30 an hour-2 men.

Break for lunch.

Arlene Kubat – Has a volunteer list and will actively seek more volunteers starting in January.

John Sailors is in charge of the score room.

Lois spoke about compiling of list of companies for airport pick-ups & drop-offs. Vans & limos. Dial 7 is a company suggested.

Steve Handy will be the 50/50 chairperson. Volunteers needed for every day & every event. Ticket winners will be announced at every event/day.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45

Next meeting will be at Pat & Joanne's house on 12/11, time TBA.