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Minutes of Meeting 19 November 1998

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Fertitta at 8:08 p.m. All officers were present except for Mike Drew and Ed Kornegay. 28 members signed the roster, and there were three Panteras in the parking lot.

<u>New Members/Guests</u>: There were a couple of fresh faces in the crowd. **Chris Bernal** just purchased a '72 Pantera, and according to the stand-in secretary, he even knew his serial number. Unfortunately, the stand-in secretary must've had a handful of dinner 'cause she forgot to note the type, color or serial number of Chris' Pantera!

Also in attendance was Steve Bogart, who is aggressively looking for a near-perfect stock-style

Pantera. He has already looked at a few drivers which would need restoration to meet his standards, and has flown to Los Angeles to check out a few cars down there. The Perfect Pantera has proven elusive, but his search is still young!

Although technically no longer a new member, **Dick Loesch** had his newly-repainted Pantera on display for the first time. This is Larry Stock's infamous Black Beater that Mike Drew limped to Las Vegas and back earlier this year. Now resplendent in shiny silver paint, with beautifully restored Campy wheels, it is a far cry from the car we saw earlier this year! With a new radiator, and electrics sorted by Marcus Smith, it should prove to be a paragon of reliability now!

Changes to Last Month's Minutes: Visitor Jim Last had been misidentified as Jim West; Jim West was the Robert Conrad character in the '60's TV show *The Wild, Wild West*. Also, Diane Dean has apparently been misspelling her name with only one 'N' for her whole life, so out of respect we'll continue the tradition! Finally, Mike failed to note that he, too, was absent from the last meeting, and Roxanne Fertitta had kindly been filling in for him. (Mike won't be seen again until February—he's currently basking in the resort town (HAH!) of Altus, Oklahoma.)

<u>Club Store Report</u>: As Bill had just returned from an extended vacation in Hawaii, there wasn't much for him to report. But he did have a full trunkload of new PCNC logo jackets, ideal for Christmas presents!

<u>Club Treasury Report</u>: While the treasury is in the black, we need to make the deposit to the Los Laureles Lodge for our Monterey Historics rooms by the end of the month. We need to get advance deposits right now from club members who are intent on going; otherwise the large deposit required to the hotel will empty our treasury. Several members present put up their hands to pay for their rooms tonight so PCNC can pay next month's bills! The rooms will be \$465 for three nights, with dinner for two on Friday night included in the price. Both the Bentley and San Diego Pantera clubs will be purchasing rooms from us next year.

Past Events:

<u>Planes Tour</u>: The short-notice tour of a few local airplane museums, with beautiful but treacherous roads in between, was cancelled due to the inclement weather. It will be rescheduled for sometime in the spring after the roads dry out.

Upcoming Events:

<u>PCNC Christmas Party — 4 December</u>: The Christmas party is proceeding along right on schedule, and will be held on Friday evening, 4 December. A flyer should be located elsewhere in this newsletter for those who haven't signed up yet. Several people paid for their dinners at the meeting.

<u>Super Bowl Party — 31 January</u>: The annual Super Bowl party will be held at the expansive home of Brian Bernard. Brian announced that he has purchased two more television sets, which brings him up to what, seventeen or so? A flyer will be found elsewhere in this newsletter (or the next one at least.)

<u>Las Vegas Fun Rally Track Event</u> — 24 April: The PCNC track committee met for the first time early in November; the initial organization meeting took close to seven hours! Most issues were resolved on the spot, with others being handled via e-mail ever since. Chuck Melton has put on his Motorsports Coordinator hat and is firmly in control of the budget, while Ed Kornegay is handing arrangements with the track and Mike Drew is sorting out the publicity. Bill Santos meanwhile is working on convincing old sponsors to continue their fine tradition of supporting the racers, and is looking for new sponsors as well.

Club Business:

<u>T-shirt Suggestion</u>: We received a letter from a subscriber to our newsletter, suggesting that we put deceased member's initials on our T-shirts as a form of tribute. The idea was discussed but met with little additional support from the members assembled.

POCA Elections: All of us will be receiving our ballots soon, and we need to think about who we vote for. Dennis Antenucci sent a letter to the club outlining his campaign platform, which was created as a team effort by Dennis, Bill Hohnhorst, Shane Ingate, Mike Drew, Scott Mead, Scott Black and Jack DeRyke. Among the items he's campaigning on are a promise to the membership to fully investigate the feasibility of holding the fun rally at a venue other than the Plaza, and to provide a full report of his findings. While Kent Snyder has spent a considerable amount of time researching this issue, and has pronounced the Plaza as the best deal going for a variety of reasons, because the specifics have never been revealed, there's a large body of members who still want to know the facts. Dennis is neither for or against moving the rally; he just wants to present all the facts so the issue can be put to rest.

Dennis also spoke about supporting the formation of new chapters, and also supporting (financially) the PCNC track event. He wants POCA to help underwrite some of our expenses with POCA funds.

Mike Fertitta reminded us that Joe Moore has made tremendous efforts to come out to Monterey and get the vendors and Kjell Qvale to come to an agreement on their disputes. Jim Kuehne mentioned the recent editorial column in Pantera International, where they mentioned they were barred from being able to participate in Las Vegas (except at the PCNC track event of course.)

PCNC Elections: On a lighter note, Dave Crego made a short but impassioned speech about his qualifications for PCNC president, and made quite a good impression on the crowd. Steve Liebenow stood up and told the crowd, essentially, "What he said!", and added that PCNC is a very special group of people that he'd like to lead. Michael Fertitta will count the ballots and announce the results at the Christmas banquet.

News, Clues and Rumors:

Ellis' Cars Going Over The Horizon: Pam Sharp mentioned that Ellis' Pantera is at their house while Roger takes care of a few details, and Debra (Ellis' sister) will be picking it up this weekend. All Ellis' cars will be shipped back to Atlanta next week.

<u>Silver State Race Televised</u>: The most recent Silver State Race, in which several PCNC members and their cars are featured, will be televised on ESPN2 starting Thanksgiving weekend; the show will likely be repeated several times.

Klingon Pantera?: Michael spread a rumor (unconfirmed) that Michael Dorn (who played Lt. Worf on *Star Trek: The Next Generation* and the subsequent spin-off shows recently purchased a Pantera, and that he's always wanted one.

Beat Tickets?: Dave Crego shared a technique he picked up on the internet on how to keep traffic tickets off your record. Apparently, if you over-pay a ticket by one or two dollars, the state has to issue a refund check, but the points will not be assessed against your record until the transaction is complete (i.e. when you cash the state's check.) So if you purposely overpay your ticket, then never cash the check, your record stays clean! Well, you go ahead and try it, and if it works, please let us know!

Buy/Sell/Swap:

Everything's For Sale!: Larry reported that everything he owns is up for sale, for a price! If you see a Pantera of his that you like, he'll entertain reasonable offers. The goal is to get down to one (well, maybe two) Panteras.

<u>Local Pantera For Sale</u>: Steve Liebenow said he checked out a Pantera for sale locally; see Steve for more information.

Raffle Results: Larry was pleasantly surprised when the manager of Coco's donated four full-sized pies to the cause! The result was the best PCNC raffle ever, with over 100 tickets sold! The results were:

Factory Shop Manual — Chuck Melton

Calculator — Brian Bernard

Pies — Chris Bernal, Ken Levin, George Selbey-Hale, Chuck Melton

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY, September 25, 1997 8:00 P.M.

COCO'S RESTAURANT
1209 OAKMEAD PARKWAY
SUNNYVALE, CA
(Take Lawrence Expressway South Exit off Highway 101)

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

January 31 —	PCNC Superbowl Party (Brian Bernard)
December 4 —	PCNC Christmas Party (Anita Kuehne)

REMINDER — NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 15TH OF EACH MONTH