

**Great Lakes Chapter  
Volvo Club of America  
Minutes for our Bi-Monthly Board Meeting**

*Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 8 PM, Zoom.*  
David Irvine is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83661170633?pwd=JXt2aFu62MFGucJHFLvd0tbiHyK3PX.1>

Meeting ID: 836 6117 0633. Passcode: 671447

*In Attendance: David (President) and Joyce Irvine, Al Bulgrin (Secretary), Bonnie Franz, Willard and Virginia Haunfelder, Special Guest, Armand Brandao, President of VCOA.*

**Announcements:** Friendly reminder that there will be no meeting in January.

This is a YouTube video recording of the meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9fAoYomlqq8>

We start tonight's virtual Zoom meeting with Armand Brandao, President of the VCOA, from Taunton, MA at [armand@vcoa.org](mailto:armand@vcoa.org) . Armand will discuss what is happening at the national level, as well as a recap of the National event in Maine last September.

So far, there has been no interest from the field for anyone wishing to run for any of our officer positions. The current officers will continue for another year.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jeff reported in advance of the meeting that we have a Comerica balance of \$1225.64 and a PayPal balance of \$22.18.

**I. Fall color tour Recap:** *Saturday, October 19, 2024 meet at 10 am.*

Sweetwater Donut Mill

Drive up to Gun Lake

Photo Op

Red Clay Pottery, skipped Gull Meadows Apple Orchard

Old Mill Brewpub and Grill

Photos: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/BL7XqqrVFJyDk2dp/>

Video: <https://www.facebook.com/share/v/NPkMNqStxrnDcGc4/>

David and Paul talked about updating our website. Any input is welcome. David will help Paul update the photos.

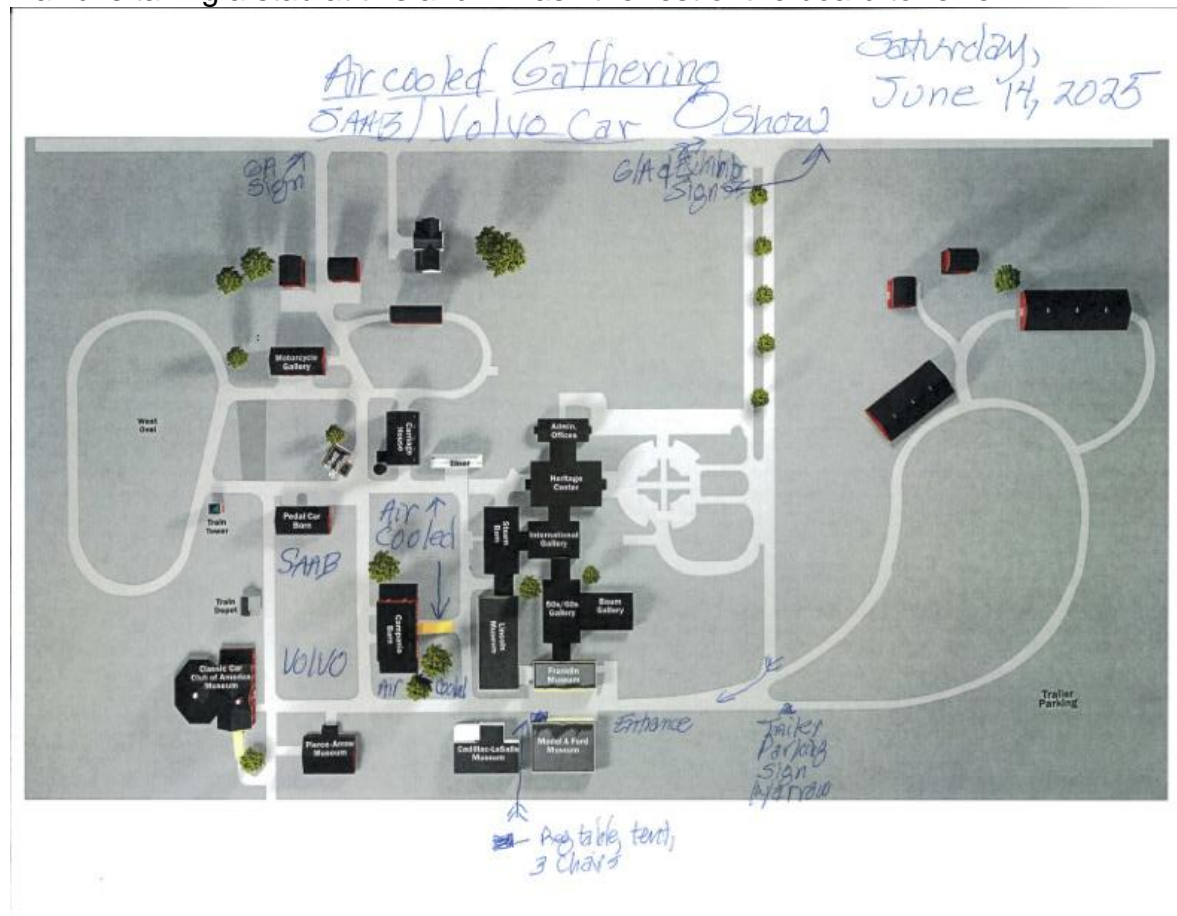
IV. Looking ahead to 2025, it was noted that the SAAB group will be doing an event with the Air Cooled Group on the Saturday before Father's day in June, on the 14<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 4 pm. While we do our meet every other year, we may ask permission just to be able to join/meet in an area, but not have an "official" meet. It would be on your own, but allow VCOA/Great Lakes Chapter members to go to the event. We thought we could call this Volvos at the Gilmore Car Museum X.5 or 10.5 ☺.

**IV. Volvo at the Gilmore XI - Saturday, June 20, 2026, 9 am to 4 pm**

\* Find old checklist and put it on Google Docs. These are untouched and need to be edited/cleaned up. They should be reconstructed/modified/simplified for Volvos at the Gilmore XI in 2026 planning:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZxFKQijBoPDCIFHt4rYFkmm9-jbLsbjVAmVTz5tkYPE/edit?usp=sharing>

David is taking a stab at this and will ask the rest of the board to review.



There will be no meeting in January, 2025.

We discussed having our Tuesday, March 18, 2025 meeting in Texas Corners, west of Portage and Southwest of Kalamazoo. Places mentioned included "Bold" <https://bolddining.com/>, Zeb's Trading Co. <https://www.eatatzebs.net/> or the Texas Corners Brewery. It is in an old church! <https://www.texascornersbrewing.com/>. David Irvine will call Bold to see if we can get the big round table!

We had a round table and Virginia and Willard talked about their 2004 Volvo S80 that is for sale. [virginiahaunfelder@comcast.net](mailto:virginiahaunfelder@comcast.net)

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Need to verify/fix the Instagram account and check it on the website (David and Paul)

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