Paul Stephan

1. What skills would you bring to the Board of Directors, if elected?

I have run several successful businesses that rely on internet marketing as the primary means of advertising, so I think I can help fuel SCCA Milwaukee's digital marketing campaign. Also having participated in nearly every aspect of the club's offerings, I think that I may be able to bring a new perspective to the board.

2. What leadership roles have you had in work, SCCA, or other volunteer endeavors?

I have been working as a professional artist for 18 years, so I've needed employees in the studio to help with aspects of my work for a long time. In the past I also owned a business involving high pressure print clients that worked on very short deadlines, so I have no problem working in stressful situations. I think that I have an ability to motivate people without being overly pushy, which I think is very important for an organization run by volunteers.

3. What would you seek to change in Milwaukee Region, if elected?

The website improvements we've needed for a long time have finally arrived, so I would just seek to bolster that effort by combining websites for Solo, PDX, Club Racing, etc. When a person visits the club's site, we should showcase all of the things that we have to offer in a unified way. I think we could improve in that department now.

4. What would you seek to keep the same in Milwaukee Region, if elected?

Everything appears to be running pretty smoothly so I would keep almost everything the same. I'm not a fan of fiddling around too much when things are running well.

5. Why do you want to run for the Board of Directors?

I like volunteering with the club because it's a very worthy cause. Almost all of the people that have helped me along the way with my own racing career have been SCCA members and this seems like a worthy way of repaying that debt.

6. What has been your involvement in SCCA

I started out doing Solo with SCCA Milwaukee in 2011. I ended up helping with the setup of the region's Solo equipment in the am hours for a couple of years, and then that turned into me working as the sponsor liaison for Solo. While spending the next two years doing that, I was increasingly lured in by the track. I started doing PDX events, did a couple of SCCA hillclimbs, and that led to me being an instructor at the Milwaukee Mile. For the past couple of years I've been focused on road racing in SPU with the #93 VW Corrado that's been with me through it all. I've also attended many of the meetings, banquets, and conferences, and social events that our region has to offer, so I think that I have a pretty good understanding of the representative needs of our region.