

VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2011

President Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM EDT

Roll call by Secretary Figone

Board Members in attendance:

Jeff Campbell	President
Carl Billington	Vice President
Louie Figone	Secretary
Bob Lapke	Treasurer
Brad Fultz	
Jim Thompson	
Dick Teal	
Jack Murray	
Dean Kossaras	
Ernie Shores	
Lake Speed	
Bill McCornack	
Carl Weakley	Past President



Board Members absent:

None

PRESIDENTS COMMENTS:

I want to reiterate what I mentioned at the last meeting, we want to try and make productive use of our time. We'll have each director's report and any discussion we have on old business, try and limit that to five minutes and that should give us some time at the end to get into some new business and review these guideline tweaks proposed and distributed by email. I also want to make sure that we all stay focused on our goals and objectives of our priorities of growing the sport, increasing participation, increasing the membership in the VKA, helping to make the events more successful.

Let's get started with the Secretary's report.

SECRETARYS REPORT:

Director Figone: I sent the minutes out three days ago, did everyone receive them?

Board Members: yes

Director Figone: are there any corrections?

Board Members: none

President Campbell: I make a motion to accept the minutes as written.

Director Thompson: I will second that motion.

President Campbell: Alright, all in favor to accept the minutes as submitted say aye.
Ayes are unanimous: Motion passes to accept the minutes as submitted.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Director Lapke: For April we had an opening balance of \$13,462.69. Income we had \$180.00 from Barnesville from the 50/50 raffle. We had 35 membership checks for \$1,190.00 for a total income for April of \$1,370.00

Our expenses for April were \$530.61 and that was \$25.00 for our annual corporation renewal fee, \$85.00 for our annual resident agent service fee and \$420.61 for postage and printer ink. The balance as of April 30, 2011 is \$14302.08, all in the checking account.

I sent out an email that I will be traveling for the month of June and part of July so any payments that have to be made contact Carl Weakley, I have sent him a supply of checks and deposit slips and Carl will handle everything until I get back.

Director Figone: On the returned check we had from last month, what transpired from that?

Director Fultz: I wrote the member an email to let them know, I have not received an answer from them yet.

Director McCornack: Brad, if you email me that members name I will remove them from the list.

Director Fultz: I will email him a reminder before we remove him, we know these people and they are good people and I am sure it just slipped through the cracks.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Director Fultz: I sent out the membership report, we have 233 paid members so far, this includes 15 associate members.

President Campbell: How does this compare to last year?

Director Fultz: I can do in the future, that would be an approximate number-.

President Campbell: I would like to see a membership drive; we need to have a goal.

Director Fultz: I will save that for new business.

WEBSITE REPORT:

President Campbell: Circleville event is up on the website. No issues or problems on the forum.

SAFETY REPORT:

Director Kossaras: Not much for safety. Let's talk about the guideline rules. Feedback from Louie is that in California the cost of an ambulance is so costly that at some events it's impossible so I changed the wording to "if the emergency response time is five minutes or less". Bill, at Broadhead do you have an ambulance?

Director McCornack: No, they have EMT's on site. Dean, with events with 50 or less entries it's impossible to afford an ambulance.

Director Thompson: this should be a track issue, if we mandate an ambulance then we could be held liable.

Director McCornack: At Quincy they do not have an ambulance but the emergency people are only five minutes away.

Director Kossaras: I will put the verbiage in to say that an EMT is recommended for practice days and an ambulance is recommended for race days.

President Campbell: It might be helpful to see what the insurance companies require.

Director Lapke: Each track should have a medical response plan.

Director Kossaras: I can add that. Louie also said we should add "high top shoes recommended", I will add that. Also, fuel, no power enhancers, next one, junior drivers, Louie mentioned that junior drivers are using the industrial 820 engine, small carburetor, any issues with that?

Director McCornack: Industrial engine with small HL is OK

Director Billingsley: Small HL carburetor is OK.

Director Kossaras: OK then lets move on. Mac 49, add the verbiage any mac single small intake manifold or period correct single intake manifold is allowed.

OK, Historic class, this is where I have a problem. Most of the karts are 6.1 motors, we do have some large motors out there also, Maico, Engray, Standun etc. Louie out in California did you have any big engines.

Director Figone: We had a Maico, we had several 820's, they were available in 1962, we had the Max-torque special with twin 820's, and we had the Konig powered Hovey Hawk. Most of these guys running these are not interested in trophies; they just want to run and demo them. I run them together, lined the big inch karts in the front and scored them separate.

Director McCornack: Dean, at Circleville we discussed this with the drivers, we put the Historic at the back of the dual triple class and it worked fine. It is up to the promoter how to handle this.

Director Kossaras: OK what we will do then is to let them all run together, put the bigger machines up front and the smaller ones run in the back.

President Campbell: It needs to be clarified that the Historic and Sportsman are two different classes that may be run together but scored separate. I do not want to scare the Sportsman class driver's away thinking they are running against a Konig.

Director Kossaras: I will take care of that!

Director McCornack: Dean, whenever a board member is at an event he should offer to help the promoter in any way he can and that includes the class structure and which class to put the kart in..

Director Kossaras: Open headers is another issue, I won't allow them at Lansing, we have a noise issue there.

President Campbell: That would be the event promoter's option; we should note that in the guidelines. Make it clear that the karter needs to check with the promoter if open headers are allowed and which Snell rating helmet is allowed.

Director Kossaras: Next is the dual rear/triple rear class. Well, back in my day triple 101 and 820's were not allowed. The only triples were triple mac 10's and 6's.

Director Figone: Dean, put the maximum cubic inch, 16.5 or 270cc maximum, that's the way it was back then.

Director Kossaras: That's correct. I will put the maximum cc for the class.

Director McCornack: When do we implement the maximum cc, do we want to start it at New Castle, Quincy? What event do we want to start with this?

Director Kossaras: New Castle is a month away; let's implement it for that event.

Director McCornack: OK, that's fine; I will contact the ones with triples and let them know our decision.

Director Kossaras: Classes 7 through 13, this is a durometer problem, I am going to change it to: should be a 60 or greater durometer reading with the exception of the Bridgestone YKC

which is 59, that's the only Bridgestone tire we have left. Probably after this year Bridgestone will not have a tire that will fall in our range, and then it will probably be Dunlop that we will use.

Director McCornack: Dean, at Circleville I was approached by a karter that was up in arms, he had certain Bridgestones he thought was in the guidelines and then he read our letter and found something else. It's tough when the tire manufactures change the specifications on us.

Director Kossaras: It's tough; we try to tell the karter the tire to use and then the manufacture changes the tire specifications it blows us out of the water. . Let's move on, page 5"Drivers that are new to the sport and have not competed in three events must start at the rear and have an X on the rear of the helmet." we need to change the verbiage to "Drivers that are new to the sport and have never participated in a racing event must start at the rear of the grid for the first three races, experienced drivers that are returning to the sport for the first time should consider starting at the rear, exception can be made at the discretion of the race promoter".

Director Fultz: How are we going to police that?

Director McCornack: The promoter does. This is my job to communicate to the race promoter the guidelines before the event.

Director Kossaras: Next item is under Show. Jack; are we in agreement that reproduction karts are not allowed in the original restored class?

Director Murray: Yes, that is correct, reproduction karts go into the modified class.

Director Kossaras: OK, that's enough for one night; I have the engine list, will you guys look it over.

Director McCornack: Yes, I sent my list to Dean, and Lake made some additions to it. If anybody else has corrections send them to Dean.

Director Figone: Bill, under the 80 to 85 class, the PCR is not on there, they were homologated in 1985.

Director McCornack: I don't know why, I have my tech manual and it did not show up there.

Director Figone: It was an oversight, even did not show up in the 1986 tech book. The PCR 100 cc Piston port and the 100 cc PCR 50/50 were legal engines in 1985

Director Kossaras: OK, I will add them.

Director Shores: Dean, some of the guys out here are running the Clinton E65, E400 and the E490.

Director Kossaras: OK, I can add that, we know that's vintage.

Director Fultz: On the 80-85 class, the Yamaha was legal!

Director McCornack: The Yamaha is listed in the '79 class and they can be run in the 80-85 class. You can always move up.

Director Speed: I have had some ask about the 135 cc engines in the 80-85 class.

Director McCornack: If a 135 cc or two or three show up we will start them in a pack of their own group (80-85) and give them a separate award. As the class grows then we can run a separate class. They are welcome to come. It would be the promoters option how to handle the awards.

Director Kossaras: We need to put an asterisk by it, 135cc class*. Promoter's option.

President Campbell: Why don't we add that as a promoter's option class!

Directors Kossaras: That's all for now.

NEWSLETTER REPORT:

Director Teal: I need 7 days before the end of the month to receive articles for the newsletter. If we don't get it by then we will use it for the next month. I am working on the stories for the next magazine. Louie, I do need more of the old magazine articles. Any stories on the foreign engines are needed. I did do a track test on three different Mac 49 setups and it was very interesting. This will be in the next magazine. That's all I have for now.

President Campbell: OK, I have 9:07 now and I am asking if any of the Directors who have not given their report if they have anything to do so now.

Director McCornack: I have nothing for now.

Past President Weakley: Jeff, I have nothing now

Director Fultz: I think for now we will hold off on the membership ideas.

President Campbell: I would like Brad and Jim or any director to come back with some ideas for a membership drive.

President Campbell: Maybe some of our members can reach some of the old karters that are unaware of what we are doing and reaching them by the phone is our only hope we have. I would give that some thought.

Director Murray: I will be going to Indianapolis for the Mecum auction with three karts going through and Mecum is expecting 10,000 participants and these karts will be on display.

Director Fultz: I encourage each board member to recruit three to five members and the board member would be recognized

Director McCornack; I have the master list of 500 to 600 names, I would like to get reimbursed a little for the printing and postage and I would contact about 100 of them, I know who to target and I know I can get 20 to 30 of them to join. Also, when we get half way through the season they say why should I spend \$30.00 and get only half the issues. We were going to talk about a six month break at \$20.00. Is that on or off?

Director Teal: I belong to other organizations, when you join it's for a year. If you join in June it's good until June.

Director McCornack: We talked about that. It did not fly.

Director Speed: If they want to join in June make it \$20.00. Make it mandatory to join to run at an event.

Director McCornack: That will not work; the promoter wants the entry and will not turn them away.

President Campbell: We can't force the promoter to make it mandatory; it's like raising the entry \$30.00. I think we should rap it up now, its 9:15 and I am going to adjourn the meeting. Thank all of you for attending.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 PM EDT

Submitted by Secretary Figone

