

VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 12, 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
Jim Thompson	
Dick Teal	
Dean Kossaras	
Ernie Shores	
Lake Speed	
Bill McCornack	



Board Members absent:

Bob Lapke	Treasurer
Brad Fultz	
Jack Murray	
Carl Weakley	Past President

PRESIDENTS COMMENTS:

Big event coming up at New Castle, I am hoping that all the Board Members that can will be there. We have some new business to attend to. Director Speed wants to address tires.

SECRETARYS REPORT:

Director Figone: Minutes went out last week, any changes or comments?

Director Teal: Moves that the Secretary's report be accepted as submitted

Director Thompson: Seconds the motion

President Campbell: All in favor to accept the minutes as submitted say aye.

Ayes are unanimous, motion passes.

TREASURERS REPORT:

President Campbell: Director Lapke is on vacation, no treasurer's report this month.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Director Thompson: We don't have anything that I am aware of, Bill how many flyers do you send out?

Director McCornack: I ordered 320 because Director Weakley wants extra on hand for promotional, we send out about 280. I know we have some new members.

Director Figone: Brad sent out an email with the current count of 243 paid members for 2011, 16 new members from April to June.

Director Thompson: We have talked about permanent numbers for the members; I would like to table it until the fall.

Director Teal: We might want to look at a 12 month membership again.

Director Thompson: That will take somebody to take care of the paperwork.

Director McCornack: My wife is willing to take that project on, it's an offer, and we don't want to take anything away from Director Fultz. We would send the checks to Director Lapke and Director Fultz could take care of the membership cards.

WEBSITE REPORT:

President Campbell: It's going well; events are getting posted as they happen.

SAFETY REPORT:

Director Kossaras: Not much on safety, I have been working on rules. I have gotten a call from one of the participants that run a triple; I explained that we never ran triple 101 or 820 engine karts. Their beef is that they are heavy drivers and they cannot run with the light drivers with two engines; they would like a light and heavy class in the dual rear class. I think we should break the class into a heavy and light class and make the break at 220 lb and above for the heavy class. That would be the driver weight. Run the classes together and score them separate.

Director Figone: Try it out at New Castle and report back.

President Campbell: We do not want to get into weighing them, let's let it be on the honor system. This may spill over to other classes.

Director McCornack: It may be a burden on the promoter to have more trophies to give out. The bigger events could do it but the smaller events could tone down the trophies, maybe give out medallions.

Director Kossaras: Then we will try it out at New Castle in the Dual Rear class and report back to the board.

JUDGING REPORT:

President Campbell: Director Murray is not here tonight so we will pass on the judging report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT:

Director McCornack: Springfield event had 68 entries, no problems. The June magazine is going in the mail tomorrow. I have been talking to Dean Scarboro and Dave Marchion, they are working on an event at Ocala Florida for the third week of January. Not sure of the date for sure, they are working on it.

I was forwarded a request from the Parris Raceway in California, it's near Riverside. I spoke to Adam. A Sherry Blair is trying to contact me. I will talk to her next week about a practice day for vintage karts.

PAST PRESIDENTS REPORT:

President Campbell: Carl Weakley is not here so we will pass on his report.

NEWSLETTER REPORT:

Director Teal: The magazine is done for June; I am starting the July newsletter. Louie sent me some articles that I will use in the newsletters. I want to follow up on the people thing; Pearl Gamble sent me an interesting story that I am going to use.

George Sellon and Ralph and I went to visit Brian Espeset, Brian is going to write a little story about his karting experiences. I need articles about restoring karts or setting up karts for judging.

We are going to do an article about Broadhead and the surrounding area to promote the event. We will see how that goes over. This will give the participant's knowledge about the area and what to do, where to eat, etc.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Campbell: Director Speed contacted me about tires.

Director Speed: Now that Bridgestone does not have a tire in production that meets our rules maybe we should look at a spec tire. The Dunlop SL4 tire has been around for a long time. Russell Karting would be interested in working with us on a Dunlop spec tire.. TS Racing has Vega tires that we could use. My point is would we want to go to a spec tire? I have Dunlop tires and Vega tires and we can check them at New Castle with a calibrated durometer.

This would be for sidewinders only. We already have a rear tire rule for next year.

President Campbell: You might have some backlash, you have some purist, and you are going to tell the sidewinder owner you have to run this modern tire, it's not going to go

over well with everyone. It could also create a barrier to someone vying to come forward with a more vintage style tire; it would shut down any effort for someone to do that.

Director McCornack: What's wrong with leaving it at 60 durometer minimum tire and leave it at that.

Director Speed: No one ever checks the durometer readings at the events.

Director McCornack: We will do some durometer testing on sidewinder karts at New Castle and report back.

President Campbell: Let's keep talking and thinking about this.

I also want to talk about offering a Press Package. If we want to promote the media getting to the events I think it would help. If we offered the Press a free pit pass or even a drivers pass if they are going to drive a kart and then write about it, that would be great exposure for the sport.

Director Billington: I think it should be offered to any automotive magazine, not just karting magazines.

Director McCornack: Yes, the concept is great.

President Campbell: If no one else has anything else, I am going to adjourn the meeting. Thank you for attending.

Meeting adjourned 8:54 PM EDT

Submitted by Secretary Figone