

VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2014

Vice President Ernie Shores called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM EDT

Roll call by Secretary Figone:

Board members in attendance:

Ernie Shores	Vice President
Louie Figone	Secretary
Jim Donovan	Treasurer
Pearl Gamble	Executive Director
Jim Thompson	
Dean Kossaras	
Rick Chapman	



Board members absent:

Jeff Campbell	President
Jack Murray	
Lake Speed	

Guests present:

Bill McCornack
Gary Wlodarsky
Kent Windham

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

No report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Secretary Figone: The minutes went out two weeks ago, are there any corrections to be made?

Vice President Shores: I make a motion to accept the minutes as received.

Director Donovan: I second the motion.

Vice President Shores: All approve say aye, any opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the minutes are approved.

Vice President Shores: The first person we have as a guest is Kent Windham, I would like for him to make his presentation.

Kent Windham: Back at New Castle I met Bill McCornack, we talked that I do promotion items, shirts, hats etc. I mentioned to Bill that I would like to produce apparel items for the VKA, to sell them direct and give a percentage to the VKA. I am very well versed on this; I work with quite a few race organizations on these types of programs. I could do it either way, you sell them or I would sell them and give you a percentage. I sent the board an email with my history and the race organization's that I have worked with.

Bill McCornack: This would be a win win situation for the VKA; we would not have any money invested.

Director Donovan: Would Kent do the design?

Kent Windham: I could submit several designs to the board for your approval or you could submit designs.

Vice President Shores: Could you come up with a Rear engine and a Sidewinder design?

Kent Windham: That would be no problem.

Vice President Shores: Bill, could you be the contact person with Kent and report back to the board?

Bill McCornack: Yes.

Director Thompson: What do you think these will retail for?

Kent Windham: The more colors in the design, one sided or two sided, embroidery stitch count all have a bearing on cost. I would think with a T- shirt you would want to sell them for \$15.00 to \$18.00 maximum. With embroidered shirt the maximum would be \$30.00

Vice President Shores: What would you return to the VKA?

Kent Windham: If I incur all cost then I would not want to go over 10% of gross. If I sell a T-shirt for \$15.00 I will return \$1.50 to the VKA.

Director Thompson: What quality shirt would you use?

Kent Windham: I have access to many brands of T-shirts, from a low end T to a high end T to performance T's, 50/50 T's. You want a good price point with a good quality.

What I would suggest is you put this out to bid, offer it to other companies. I am taking all the risk, I put forth all the money, and time. Another thing, T-shirts gives you exposure.

Director Kossara: Let Kent come up with a proposal, have it all in black and white, maybe a couple of designs ready to present to the board.

Vice President Shores: Kent, work through Bill and then get it to all the board through email. Thank you Kent for your presentation.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Donovan: OK, the report went out, the beginning balance for August was \$12,101.25. We had 7 membership renewals for \$255.00. We had an outflow of \$624.06 for printing and \$172.34 for postage for a total expense for August of \$796.40 which leaves us with an ending balance of \$11,559.85. I did receive the money in for New Castle and Camden, there was \$360.00 deposited in September.

Vice President Shores: I make a motion we approve the treasurer's report as presented.

Director Figone: I second the motion.

Vice President Shores: All in favor of approving the treasurer's report say aye, any opposed say nay. The ayes are unanimous; the treasurer's report is approved.

Treasurer Donovan: I would like for the VKA to reimburse Director Kossaras for the postage for the mailings he has done for the survey, the outgoing and the incoming, about \$320.00.

Director Thompson: I would like to make a motion to that over Dean's objections.

Director Figone: I will second that.

Vice President Shores: All in favor of approving the motion by Jim Thompson say aye, any opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes, note that Director Kossaras abstained.

Director Figone: Jeff just sent an email, family events and he cannot attend the meeting.

WEBSITE REPORT:

No report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Director Thompson: We are at 273 full members, 45 associate members for a total of 318 members. I would like to step down as the membership director, I have talked to Bill McCornack and he will be willing to serve in that position. He and Mary Jo have already been doing the membership. I will serve until the end of the year. I am interested in staying on the rules committee but I would like to see new blood get involved.

Vice President Shores: I would like for you to stay until the end of the year.

SAFETY REPORT:

Director Kossaras:

I have gotten 85 survey results back so far. So far the most favorite tracks are Brodhead and New Castle. The two least favorite tracks are Whiteland and Quincy. Most want at least four weeks between events. 99% percent want consistency between events. The message to promoters is follow the guidelines. The California members want another West Coast event.

Bill McCornack: Louie, you might want to bring up what we were discussing about having a Tier 1 and Tier 2 event.

Director Figone: Bill brought this up at a past board meeting, a Tier 1 would be flagged event, posted grid, scoring, awards, whereas a Tier 2 event would be more laid back, open practice, heats if you want them, no scoring or awards. I sent the board an email on this. We have that option now as a promoter's option but it's not used. It needs to be spelled out in the guidelines so they know they have this option. The Atwater event is held as a Tier 2 event

Vice President Shores: Dean, are you going to put together your committee for the guidelines?

Director Kossaras: Yes I will be doing that.

Gary Wlodarsky: The promoter will not enforce the rules.

Director Kossaras: They need to; we need to make them do it.

Bill McCornack: Gary, we are not a sanctioning body, we are a guideline and promotional organization.

Gary Wlodarsky: I know that but it sure would be nice if they would follow and enforce the rules.

JUDGING REPORT:

No report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Gamble: We have talked about everything I was going to talk about. I have been waiting for the results of the survey, now that I have it I can get to work.

NEWSLETTER REPORT:

No report.

ENDURO REPORT;

Director Chapman: The race at MIS (Michigan Kart Club) was really good. We had gold plated helmets with the VKA logo on them for trophies. They will be posted on the VKA website as soon as the pictures get to me. We had a decent turnout, good racing, and two new people to show up and join the VKA. A lot of people came by to look at the vintage karts. We also had a winery make up wine bottles with the MKC logo on them as awards that went over really well. We had four classes, Vintage USA, Vintage Euro, Vintage Piston Port and Vintage Dual.

I am trying to find out who the new manager is at Nelson Ledger is. It may take a drive up there; I would like to see vintage karts again on that track. I also want to try to get us back on the Dart Kart Club; I am going to keep trying. One thing I hear is that the vintage rear engine karts are too slow. The Woodbridge kart club won't allow them.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Thompson: Delmar is the next event, it sounds like it's going to be a good turnout, I am hoping for a good 49 class turnout.

Director Figone: I have the results of the KT100 survey, do you want to go over them.

Vice President Shores: I would like to see that in a presentation from the rules committee.

Director Figone: OK, I will activate the rules committee to come up with the recommendations for the KT100 class.

Vice President Shores: If there is no other new business I am going to adjourn the meeting, it is 9:12 EDT.

Respectively submitted by Secretary Figone.