

VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors 21 February 2016 Meeting Minutes
Revision – 01 March 13, 2016

Call To Order: President Bill McCornack called the meeting to order at 8:04 PM EST

Roll Call: Secretary Bill Bloodworth called the roll with the following results:

Board Members In Attendance:

Bill McCornack	President
Louie Figone	Vice President
Bill Bloodworth	Secretary & Membership
Pearl Gamble	Executive Director
Rick Chapman	Enduro Director
Gary Wlodarsky	Judging
Dean Kossaras	Safety
Karl Ginter	

Board Members Absent:

Scott Klingler	Treasurer
Jeff Campbell	Website

Guests present:

Rolf Hill	VKA FirsTurn Newsletter/Magazine
Jim Donovan	Finance

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President McCornack discussed t-shirt sales. Greg Gouveia sold a lot of both the old and the new shirts at Riverside. At least half of the remaining old shirts were sold and most of the rest were given away as prizes, Bill has four left. Approximately 29 of the new shirts were sold. Gary Wlodarsky took 12 new shirts to sell. The remaining new ones will be shipped to Bill McCornack who will act as the central distribution point. Karl Ginter and Scott Klingler intend to help distribute shirts at events. The shirts will sell for \$20 at the tracks and \$20 plus postage thru mail order.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Vice-President Figone reported that the club has received a \$1000 donation from the Randy Holt Trust Fund. Bill McCornack suggested that Louie be in charge of deciding how to best use the donation. Louie reported that the Riverside event went well and that he received a lot of positive feedback. The 50-50 drawing contributed \$378 to the VKA treasury. Heats with combined classes presented some scoring challenges but most drivers seemed more interested in just having fun rather than winning a certificate. There were two wrecks with one driver suffering fractures. Low tire pressure may have been a contributing factor. Louie reported that 122 pictures have been provided for website use but are not yet posted. 2017 will mark fifty years since the 1967 Nationals were held at the track and the Adams family is considering ways to commemorate the anniversary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: -Secretary Bloodworth reported that the January minutes were distributed 12 February and that no feedback has been received. Bill requested that all who make a motion or who second a motion please announce their name. Vice President Figone: Moved to accept the minutes as sent.
Gary Wlodarsky: Seconded the motion.
President McCornack: All in favor of the motion say aye, opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: - Jim Donovan reported for Scott Klingler. The figures are:
Ending December 2015 Balance: \$15370.23
Revenue: Total \$1467.00, Membership: \$1455.00, Magazines: \$12.00
Expenses: Total \$2065.18, Printing & Misc: \$532.60, Postage: \$144.58, Insurance: \$1388.00
Ending January Balance: \$14772.05
Vice President Figone: Moved to accept the treasurer's report as submitted.
Director Chapman: Seconded the motion.
President McCornack: All in favor say aye, opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes. Thank you Jim.

TREASURER'S REPORT (continued): - President McCornack stated that legal fees of \$750.00 has already been paid by Dean Kossaras and that the club needs to reimburse Dean.

Vice President Figone: Moved to authorize reimbursement of \$750 to Dean Kossaras.

Gary Wlodarsky: Seconded the motion.

President McCornack: All in favor of the motion say aye, opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes.

SAFETY REPORT: - Director Kossaras reported that his daughter will provide pro-bono assistance with the club's effort to trademark the existing logo. If the club does not own the logo created by the late Tom Medley, the logo needs to be donated to the club by Mr. Medley's estate so that the logo can be trademarked. It can be done without donation due to past use but it would be easier with a clean donation. Louie will talk to Gary Medley.

Rolf Hill asked if the club should trademark phrases and Dean Kossaras replied that it was possible. It was also mentioned that the "FirsTurn" logo should be trademarked.

Director Kossaras reported that the committee has stayed with the rules as previously written in the Yamaha class which does not permit use of 219 chain. However, Dean reported that one promoter is working to get other promoters to accept a deviation and to permit widespread use of the 219 chain. President McCornack gave an example of where a group from one area which allows the 219 chain shows up at a different area track and that they should be allowed to run. Rick Chapman pointed out that the promoters have the option and it is their decision.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: - Director Bloodworth reported that currently there are 340 total members, 292 full members and 48 associate members. There were 8 new full members and Bill McCornack asked if the additions were due to the January promotional mailings. Bloodworth reported that at least 2 of the new members were from people who McCornack had added to the promotional list in the past year.

Louie Figone discussed with Bill McCornack that he thought that there were more signups at Riverside than the small number which were identified. Louie will follow up with the Adams.

Bloodworth mentioned that he had talked to Mike at West Valley Graphics regarding the cost of printing a few additional issues after the main run. Mike said that his setup for VKA was not complicated and that for a good customer such as VKA, Mike would charge the same price for an additional small quantity as he charged for the bulk purchase. Bill McCornack had talked to Mike later and expressed his surprise that it wouldn't be more expensive and how nice that is for VKA.

Potential life membership was discussed for an individual who has been a big part of karting history. Several people mentioned how nice and helpful the individual has been. The subject will be discussed further at the next VKA board meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: - Director Gamble stated his intention to resign effective immediately. He intended to volunteer for two years and it is now three years. With the passing birthdays, he is now in his eighties. He stated that this year's dates are set as well as several for next year including Bushnell. McCornack stated that the next year's dates will be reexamined beginning in November. Rolf Hill stated that we should begin earlier as in October.

All thanked Pearl for his efforts and wished him well.

NEWSLETTER REPORT: - Rolf Hill stated that the combined February – March magazine had been released to the printer, printed, shipped, and received by Bill Bloodworth Friday 19 February so that it is expected to be mailed this coming Monday, 22 February.

Rolf reported that he had sold over 75 calendars and that he has donated \$250 from the proceeds to VKA. Rolf coordinated with Bill McCornack for shipment of an extra calendar which Bill has to a pending order.

Rolf reported that he received a call from Rich Engel regarding an expo in Canada which Rich and others plan to attend. Rich asked for material which could be used to promote VKA. Rolf furnished some items electronically including a membership application and has or will mail some past issues of the magazine. Bill Bloodworth expressed the opinion that VKA should pay for any printing and shipping costs associated with the promotion of VKA. An individual should not have to absorb those expenses. Bill McCornack discussed establishing a budget for such expenses.

Gary Wlodarsky reported that Shawn Engel had expressed an interest in coordinating VKA efforts in Canada. Bill McCornack said that it was possible and that it should be pursued

Rolf **pleaded** for articles.

PROMOTIONS REPORT: - Director Ginter reported that of the 3 Northeast venues scheduled this year, 2 are new. The first event, Sandy Hook, is coming up in May (near Rolf). Gary Wlodarsky reported that VKA banners are being sent to Sandy Hook, Oreville, and Adkins in addition to the one sent to Bushnell. Karl reported that a printed flyer for Avon will be posted at Sandy Hook and that a flyer for Oreville will be posted at Avon. Bill McCornack thanked Karl for his efforts to promote VKA in the Northeast.

WEBSITE REPORT: - Director Campbell was not in attendance. It was noted that the current guidelines have been posted. Rolf Hill mentioned that the posted membership form is not the latest version. Rolf also asked about having access to the website in order to post items such as pictures. It isn't known at this point how difficult the posting would be. Rolf will try to discuss such with Jeff.

ENDURO REPORT: - Director Chapman reported that he has not discussed the Southern area with Dick Charest lately and does not have an update for that area. In the Northern area, dates and classes are set. Michigan is taking on the vintage classes while Mid-Ohio is combining vintage classes and AKRA classes. Rick Chapman stated that most discussions are not with tracks, but with other clubs.

Karl Ginter asked about the Port Washington schedule and if there would be heats on Sunday. Rick Chapman stated that there would be 2 heats on Saturday and 1 heat on Sunday. Efforts would be made to have everyone on the road Sunday by 3:00 pm.

Rolf Hill asked about the Mid-Ohio and Bowling Green dates. Rick Chapman stated that the Mid-Ohio date is firm and it is the same date as New Castle. Rolf pointed out that the Bowling Green date is not specific, just mid-August. Rick will try again to get a specific date.

JUDGING REPORT: - Director Wlodarsky stated that at Bushnell there were 19 show entries out of 43 event entries. Gary Wlodarsky reported that there was a great showing at Riverside with 61 show entries including some unique karts. Jack Murray was asked by Gary to run the Riverside show event. The judges were Frank Weir and Scott Wigginton. Participation may have been affected due to the illness of several people including the Australian visitors.

NEW BUSINESS: - Director Chapman reported that Adkins will have flyers out soon. Adkins is working with a local stock car track to have the kart event ticket also include entry to the local Saturday night stock car event. Adkins is also working to have a meal at the track on Friday night. Rick Chapman raised the question of event frequency. Should the Adkins VKA event be annually or every other year to avoid possible "burn-out". Bill McCornack suggested that the question be discussed further with Scott Klingler and Karl Ginter.

With no further business presented, President McCornack moved to adjourn the meeting.
Director Karl Ginter seconded the motion.

President McCornack adjourned the meeting at 9:08 PM EST.

Respectively submitted by Secretary Bloodworth.