

VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors 10 April 2016 Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2016

Call To Order: President Bill McCornack called the meeting to order at 8:06 PM EDT

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
Rick Chapman	Enduro Director
Gary Wlodarsky	Judging
Dean Kossaras	Safety
Karl Ginter	



Board Members Absent:

Scott Klingler	Treasurer / Executive Director
Jeff Campbell	Website

Guests present:

Rolf Hill	VKA FirstTurn Newsletter/Magazine
Jim Donovan	Finance

SYNOPSIS: There are 344 total members, 298 full and 46 associate. A 3 year membership option will be proposed in May. The ending March balance is \$17779.92 which reflects revenue of \$1208 and expenses of \$50. It was noted that most membership renewals have already occurred and that there are significant printing and mailing costs which will be incurred during the remaining months. Possible registration and membership drawings will be discussed further in May. President Bill McCornack reassigned Treasurer Scott Klingler to fulfill the Executive Director duties vacated by Pearl Gamble's resignation. Director Karl Ginter was assigned the Treasurer duties. The importance of sellers and users knowing VKA tire guidelines was stressed. It was reiterated that the minimum age restriction for duals is 18 years. Promoter options which differ from VKA guidelines need to be clearly identified in the event flyer. Louie Figone will discuss use of the Randy Holt donation with the executor of Randy's estate. West coast promotion efforts were discussed including track fees and the high cost of accommodations in some areas. It was noted that VKCA recently rejected expansion of their vintage date range to 1985. Coordination efforts for Sandy Hook are going well. The June Enduro event is expected to be large. Adkins track improvements are on schedule. Show efforts for the next 3 events are in place. Rolf Hill was complimented for his help with the VKA website. More coordination between Jeff Campbell and Rolf remains to be accomplished. New magazine features will include "Ask Bill" (McCornack) and a list of recent new members.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President McCornack reported that Quincy will be running their own event on August 4, 5, and 6th. Apparently modern kart shops are selling the wrong tires for vintage rear engine karts. He will try to furnish the shops with copies of the VKA guidelines. An issue arose at Barnesville involving tires and some other components. It was reported that the parties involved have since amicably discussed the situation. Additionally, it was noted that promoters should have participants choose to run junior or 80-85, but not both. Rick Chapman raised a question about the age limit for twins. Rolf Hill stated that the guideline limit is 18 or older for duals; therefore the same limit applies to rear and sidewinder twins. Dean Kossaras believes the limit should be raised to 21 for dual sidewinders. Engine restrictions for juniors were discussed and Gary Wlodarsky reported that the current guidelines do censure engine use for juniors.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Vice-President Figone reported that there has not been a decision on how to use the \$1000 donation from Randy Holt's estate. Rolf mentioned that a plaque for Carl Weakley had been placed at a St. Louis track and that a similar gesture might be appropriate for Randy. Louie will contact the executor of Randy's estate to discuss possible uses of the donation. Bill McCornack reiterated that he thought that it should be a "West Coast" decision. Gary Medley has not yet replied to Louie Figone's emails regarding the Logo. Louie will phone Gary. Louie reported that a VKCA recently rejected expansion of their vintage date range to 1985. As a result, Yamahas are not permitted by that club. There was speculation that VKA will eventually expand to 1990, but Bill McCornack pushed back on that speculation for now. Louie stated that West Coast promoters are difficult to find. Louie might consider a rear only event at two possible tracks, but that he would probably not have the minimum 100 entries without sidewinders. Santa Maria is apparently an expensive event due to both track fees and accommodation rates. Las Vegas was mentioned but it was also stated that the track is small and that the pit area is probably limited to less than 70 karts.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT: -Secretary Bloodworth reported that the previously agreed upon procedure to approve the February minutes via email had limited success partially due to revisions.

President McCornack: Moved to accept the February minutes as distributed.

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. The March minutes were then addressed.

Vice President Figone: Moved to accept the minutes as distributed.

Enduro Director Chapman: 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:

Beginning March 2016 Balance: \$15721.92

Revenue: Total \$2108, Membership: \$1790.00, 50/50 drawings Barnesville: \$213.00, t-shirt sales: \$96.00, magazine sale: \$3.00, and patches sale: \$6.00.

Expenses: Total \$50.00, State Registration - \$50.00.

Ending March Balance: \$17779.92

Dean Kossaras stated that a minimum of \$15k should be considered instead of \$10k. No official action was taken. Suggestions were put forth regarding possible use of some of the club funds including drawings for registration and membership vouchers. Bill McCornack had reservations about the cost of offering free registrations due to the cost. A suggestion to send VKA banners to each track is already being implemented. Dean Kossaras suggested that some funds should be used to promote VKA activities on the West Coast. There was a brief discussion on the importance of the magazine and the website. Bill Bloodworth pointed out that the stated balance is not the "available" balance. At least \$4800 additional printing and mailing expenses will be incurred thru the end of year whereas membership revenue is heavily loaded toward the beginning of the year due to the legacy of our past calendar year membership plan. Further discussions will be held in May.

President McCornack: Moved to accept the treasurer's report.

Secretary Bloodworth: Seconded the motion.

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

SAFETY REPORT: - Director Kossaras reported that he has not heard of any safety issues since the last meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: - Director Bloodworth reported that currently there are 344 total members, 298 full members and 46 associate members, a net increase of 10 full members and a decrease of 2 associate members from last month's levels.

Bill McCornack discussed the multi-year membership option which was mentioned at last month's meeting. He proposed a 3 year \$100 (\$5 savings) option and a 5 year \$150 (\$25 savings) option, both including t-shirts. Gary Wlodarsky preferred the 3 year option. Bill McCornack made the motion to offer the 3 year option. Bill Bloodworth raised the question about how associate memberships would be handled. Bloodworth also mentioned that the bulk of the renewals occur near the end of the year so there is no need to rush a decision. Louie Figone suggested that Bill McCornack withdraw his motion. Bill McCornack did withdraw his motion.

Karl Ginter asked about the purpose of having associate memberships. The consensus was that the associate membership allowed a family member who raced to receive the VKA registration discount where promoters offered the discount. The restrictions of young children and a spouse living at the same address as the full member were not mentioned. Karl added that since his wife did not even attend the races, he did not renew her associate membership this year.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: - No report.

NEWSLETTER REPORT: - Rolf Hill stated that the combined April – May magazine draft is finished and that he likes the combined issue format. He thanked Louie Figone for his good input. Barnesville results will be included as well a picture of a VKA member and a new feature called "Ask Bill" (McCornack). Also to be included beginning with this issue will be a list of new members, applicants who have never been a VKA member (according to available records). The current draft includes those new members who have joined since the December 2015 board meeting, effectively those who have joined in 2016. Bill Bloodworth suggested that the list include those new members who have joined in the past twelve months so that those who joined near the end of 2015 and will be new members for most of 2016 be included in the list. Due to space limitations the list would have to be split between the upcoming issue and the following issue. The direction given was to effectively leave the decision to Rolf.

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PROMOTIONS REPORT: - Director Ginter reported that the coordination efforts for Sandy Hook are going well. Several people are assisting Dennis Headley. Karl thanks Rolf for joining with Jeff Campbell to get the flyer posted. Bill McCornack also thanked Rolf for having the Brodhead flyer posted within 24 hours of submittal.

President McCornack asked Karl if he would accept the Treasurer position so that Scott Klingler could move to the vacant Executive Director position. Having had discussions with Jim Donovan who does the financial duties, Karl agreed to be the Treasurer for the remainder of 2016. Louie Figone stated that a vote was not required such that as of tonight by President McCornack's direction, Scott Klingler is the VKA Executive Director and Karl Ginter is the VKA Treasurer in addition to his other VKA duties.

WEBSITE REPORT: - Rolf Hill reported that the previously identified problem with the guideline link on the discussion page being to the 2015 guidelines is still a problem. Rolf had changed it to 2016 but the change did not take. Rolf notified Jeff via email. Rolf was thanked in the above promotions report for his efforts in getting flyers posted for upcoming events. A reported problem which someone encountered when trying to log on to the chat area will be investigated.

ENDURO REPORT: - Director Chapman reported that events are on schedule with MIS in May. He expects the June event (Mid-OH) to be large. The Adkins track improvements are on schedule and they are having discussions with a potential sponsor for the Adkins VKA event.

Rick stated that some of the participants at the Barnesville event were not aware that the 219 chain could be used. He requested that board meeting minutes be posted in a timely manner. It was pointed out that use of the 219 chain is a promoter's option and not a board decision. Rolf stated that the event flyer should contain information regarding promoter's decisions. Bill McCornack stated that he has already published permission for use of the 219 chain at Brodhead but he may not allow such in 2017. Dean Kossaras reiterated that legal use of the 219 chain occurred after 1985.

JUDGING REPORT: - Director Wlodarsky reported that the Barnesville event went well and that there were over 50 entries. He is ready for the next three events which are Circleville, Sandy Hook, and Springfield. Banners were sent to Rolf for use at Sandy Hook and Oreville. Karl Ginter will pick up the banner for Oreville from Rolf. Gary will probably not go to Sandy Hook so someone else will have to run the kart show.

NEW BUSINESS: - There were no additional discussions beyond those included as part of the other reports.

President McCornack adjourned the meeting at 9:24 PM EDT.

Respectively submitted by Secretary Bloodworth.