



VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors 08 October 2017 Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2017

Call To Order: President Bill McCornack called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM EDT

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

Board Members In Attendance:

Bill McCornack	President
Scott Klingler	Executive Director
Bill Bloodworth	Secretary & Membership
Joe Swantek	Treasurer
Gary Wlodarsky	Judging
Lynn Haddock	Safety & Tech
Dean Kossaras	Rules
Skip Owen	
Jeff Campbell	Website

Board Members Absent:

Louie Figone	Vice President
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Guests present:

Rolf Hill	VKA <i>FirstTurn</i> Newsletter/Magazine
Jim Donovan	Finance
Sal Palatucci	

SYNOPSIS: There are 376 total members, 334 full members and 42 associate members. The ending September balance is \$20,229.26 which reflects revenue of \$445.01 and expenses of \$286.93. Bill McCornack will provide a refresher article regarding overbore rules for 80 cc and 100 cc motors. An altercation at the Delmar event precipitated by rough driving, excessive blocking, and a bumping incident at pit entry was discussed. Scott Klingler and the track owner's son intervened and further escalation was avoided. Scott disqualified both participants. Scott would like to see a rule in place that would ban participants in incidents such as this from future VKA events. Bill McCornack complimented Scott Klingler, Gary Wlodarsky, and the Nielsen family for the exceptionally well run Delmar event. Gary Wlodarsky used the new show format at Delmar which included a Historical class and he intends to use this format at future shows. Scott Klingler has a tentative 2018 schedule which is about 80% firm. Fremont will replace Circleville and Nicholson Speedway in Maryland will probably replace the Sandy Hook event, but not at the same date. Lynn Haddock plans to research past rules regarding aluminum flywheel use with 4-cycle engines. Rolf intends for every 2018 magazine to be a 2 month issue with the possible exception of December. The decision to publish a 2018 December issue would be based on events to be covered and available articles. Guest Sal Palatucci complimented Karl Ginter for Karl's work with Joe Weissner, owner of Nicholson Speedway in Chestertown Maryland.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Bill McCornack reported that he has talked to Scott Klingler regarding the 5 cc overbore rule for 80 cc and 100 cc motors. Scott said that some people have reported participants running 91's with 101 pistons and rods. Lynn Haddock mentioned that 40, 50, and 60 overbore pistons for the 91's have become hard to find whereas the 101 pistons are more readily available. There was a brief discussion regarding wording of the rule, 5% or 5 cc. Bill McCornack stated that he will do a refresher article for the magazine. The desire is to discourage severe overbore. Bill McCornack reported that Sonny Gerber has agreed to apply for a board position but Bill doesn't know if Sonny has sent an email to Louie. Dean Kossaras reported that Richard Mahaffay has agreed to serve if a slot is open.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Vice-President Louie Figone was absent.



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SECRETARY'S REPORT: -Secretary Bill Bloodworth reported that the August 2017 minutes were released for review on 04 October. There have been 6 positive responses and no negative responses. There was no additional discussion.

Bill McCornack: Moved to accept the August minutes

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.

Secretary Bill Bloodworth reported that the September 2017 minutes were released for review today 08 October. There has been one response, Rolf Hill's "no comment". Bill Bloodworth noted that there were several technical sections that should be reviewed by the subject matter experts.

Bill McCornack requested that board member vote by email within the next four days.

There was no approval motion.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: - Director Bill Bloodworth reported that currently there are 376 total members, 334 full members and 42 associate members, a net change from last month's levels of plus 6 full members and a net change of plus 2 associate members. This month's membership includes 6 new full members and 2 new associate members plus 1 additional full member and 0 additional associate members from the renewal of former members who were inactive at the time of last month's meeting.

The 36-month extended membership option is at 57 full & 2 associate members, an increase since the last meeting of 1 full member and 0 associate members. Total funds involved are \$5,475. It is suggested that for the month of October, \$4,210 be held in reserve for future expenses.

1 full membership and 0 associate memberships expired at the end of September.

4 full memberships and 0 associate memberships are expiring at the end of October.

Bill Bloodworth stated his need to buy more pre-cancelled 10 cent stamps for use with bulk rate mailing. He noted that the purchase of the 3000 count roll commits VKA to continue bulk rate mailing for some time.

TREASURER'S REPORT: - Director Joe Swantek deferred to Jim Donovan who reported the financial results. The figures are:

Ending August 2017 Balance: \$20,071.18

Revenue: Total \$445.01, Membership: \$325.00, Tracks: \$100.00 (Oreville), T-Shirt Sales: \$20.00, Interest: \$0.01

Expenses: Total \$286.93, Postage: \$189.76, Office Supplies: \$97.17 (Bloodworth)

Ending September Balance: \$20,229.26

Bill McCornack: Moved to accept Jim Donovan's report.

Joe Swantek: Seconded the motion.

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

Joe Swantek reported that the Bakersfield event is scheduled for next week. He has received a lot of calls and Facebook hits and Joe expects a good turnout. He stated that the weather can be hot at this time of year but that the current forecast is for only mild to warm conditions. Joe reported that the event will be a tier 2 event. Lunch will be provided before the Saturday kart show. Regarding VKA t-shirts sales at the event, Joe will contact Gary Wlodarsky regarding available inventory.

WEBSITE REPORT: - Director Jeff Campbell stated that the VKA minutes thru August have been posted on the VKA website. Jeff stated that he needs photos from the Delmar event. Rolf Hill said that he has not received any photos as a link from either Shawn Welte or Leah Bennett. Rolf said that Shawn Welte had sent show winner photos in an email but that requires processing each photo individually which is very time consuming. It was also reported that Leah Bennett has photos on her Facebook page. Jeff Campbell mentioned that Leah has previously placed photos in Dropbox. Scott Klingler stated that he had talked to Leah Saturday and that he will talk to her again regarding the use of Dropbox.



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NORTHEAST REGION REPORT: - Director Skip Owen reported on the Cuddebackville event, the 4th and final event in the Northeast Promoter's Series. Friday there was practice followed by dinner, the kart show, and unscored demonstration heats run under the lights. Skip reported that 64 entrants were scored in the 10 classes of the demonstration segment and about 37 or 38 karts were entered in the show segment. There was one minor incident when a steering shaft broke. Skip reported that there were 8 entries in the Yamaha Limited class and that a poll taken at the track regarding dry clutches had no negative responses and it is suggested that modern dry clutches be allowed. Skip said someone mentioned the possible addition of steel nitro clutches to which Skip replied that the nitro clutch issue should be discussed later. Gary Wlodarsky mentioned that there were 8 classes at the Avon and Oreville events, not 6 as someone stated during this discussion. Gary likes the Northeast class structure and Gary asked Skip to forward their class definitions to VKA board members. Dean Kossaras confirmed that he would like to have entry statistics. Rolf Hill stated that he had received results for the show but not for the demonstrations. Skip said that he would contact Karl Ginter for the information.

RULES REPORT: - Director Dean Kossaras stated that he was not going to say anything tonight in order to avoid having a two hour discussion. Dean stated that there will be a summary available for committee review followed by presentation to the VKA board. Dean requested that Scott Klingler report on the altercation that occurred at the Delmar Iowa event which involved rough driving and excessive blocking. Scott reported that when the top two karts entered the pits, the driver of the 2nd place kart ran into the 1st place kart as that driver was getting out of his kart ejecting the driver in the process. The 1st place driver then walked back and hit the 2nd place driver. Scott said that he and the track owner's son intervened and prevented further action. Scott reported that he disqualified both drivers and took away all of their points accumulated at this event. Scott noted that the flagman could not see the entire track due to elevation differences. Scott commented that in the future, he would like to see a rule in place that would ban drivers from future VKA events should they be involved in incidences such as this.

JUDGING REPORT: - Director Gary Wlodarsky reported that the Delmar event had 39 show entries, that judging was performed by Jim Donovan and Don Renton, and that Scott Klingler and Bill McCornack handed out the awards. Gary reported that he used the new show format with the added Historical class. Gary commented about how many beautiful karts were on display. Gary said that he intends to use this format for future events. Bill McCornack complimented Scott Klingler, Gary Wlodarsky, and the Nielsen family for the exceptionally well run event.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: - Director Scott Klingler opened his report by stating that he just sent the Delmar results to Rolf Hill. Rolf acknowledged receipt. Scott reported that he has a \$100 donation from the Delmar track which he will be sending to Bill Bloodworth for deposit. Scott has a tentative 2018 schedule which he believes is about 80% firm. The schedule has been sent to Rolf Hill. Scott noted that the end of April event will have Fremont replacing Circleville. Scott does not believe that Sandy Hook will have an event in 2018. Skip Owen stated that at one time Oreville for 2018 was up in the air, but Skip now thinks that Oreville will host an event in 2018. The possible new event was identified as Nicholson Speedway in Maryland. Skip Owen stated that the track is on board for a 2018 event and they would like to have a date in August to avoid potential Spring rain problems. Scott noted that Quincy is in early August and Camden is scheduled for the third week in August. On his tentative schedule, Scott had placed "a possible track in Maryland" at the 2017 Sandy Hook date. Scott asked Rolf to remove that from the tentative schedule. In response to a question, Scott stated that Bushnell and Riverside are one week apart, they are not scheduled for the same weekend.

TECH & SAFETY REPORT: - Director Lynn Haddock reported that he is working with Dean Kossaras putting the rules together. Bill McCornack thanked Lynn for the huge help which he has been, especially with 4-cycle engine questions. Lynn stated that he had received a comment from Bob Barthelemy regarding aluminum flywheels. Lynn stated that he has not yet had time to properly research the issue. There are issues as to what was required in limited and open classes. While 2006 era WKA rules may require (or allow) certain components, Lynn is concerned about what were the rules back in the day and why. Dean Kossaras commented about the effort required to maintain vintage rules. In response to Lynn's question regarding the timetable, Dean stated that he plans to have another conference in about two weeks followed by a committee meeting and then presentation to the board.



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NEWSLETTER REPORT: - Rolf Hill reported that he plans to send the combined October-November magazine final draft to the printer on the 16th of October. Rolf reported that this issue will have coverage of four events, not three as previously reported. Rolf listed several problems which he has had to deal with including lack of photos, not being present at some events, and links. Rolf plans for every 2018 magazine to be a double issue where two months are combined. December 2018 may be the exception. Rolf would like to have the option of determining whether or not to publish a 2018 December issue based on events to be covered and available articles.

Bill McCornack asked if Rolf had plans to emphasize the Bushnell and Riverside events, plans such as putting these events front and center in the magazine. Rolf mentioned that the back cover page always highlights upcoming events but that at this point he does not have any specific articles promoting the events. Rolf will send emails to both tracks asking for promotional material.

Rolf mentioned that while the Saltillo event has been cancelled due to track conditions, he will keep it on the back cover with the cancellation notice so that members are aware of the cancellation.

Rolf asked if there would be any words forthcoming about new VKA officers. Bill McCornack stated that the vote would be held during the December board meeting and the results should be published in the January 2018 newsletter.

ENDURO REPORT: - none

SOUTH REGION REPORT: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - President Bill McCornack opened the segment for discussion. Guest Sal Palatucci complimented Karl Ginter for the great job which Karl is doing working with Joe Weissner and Nicholson Speedway, the Chestertown Maryland track. Sal said that karters are invited to try the track on Saturday, the 21st, for just a \$3 fee. Karl distributed an email to Northeast region members alerting them to this opportunity.

President McCornack adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM EDT.
Respectively submitted by Secretary Bloodworth.