

VKA Board Meeting – October 10, 2021

Call To Order: Gary Wlodarsky called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM

Roll Call: Dean Kossaras called the roll with the following results

Board Members in Attendance:

Gary Wlodarsky
Dean Kossaras
Sal Palatucci
Karl Ginter
John Copeland

Bill McCornack
Skip Owen
Deo Curts
Bob Barthelemy

Board Members Absent:

Joe Swantek
Lynn Haddock
Louie Figone

Guest Present:

Bill Bloodworth
Len Emanuelson
Rolf Hill

President's Report :

President Wlodarsky started the meeting by stating he would like to present those people interested in joining the board, they have sent in their letters of intent and would like to be considered candidates:

Jim Tallerman- Secretary Position
Kurt Bogerman- Judging and Shows
John Copeland- President

Voting will take place in November. But wanted to throw the names out there for consideration.

Vice Presidents Report:

Louie is currently not on the call.

President Wlodarsky advised the board that the September minutes were approved via email.

Secretary's Report:

Dean Kossaras advised the board that he had sent out an email that includes a list of criteria that he would like to include in the VKA Hall of Fame when considering those to be nominated.

Lynn Haddock sent some guideline changes that he would like to discuss and possibly vote, but will address those when it's time for Rules and Guidelines.

President Wlodarsky address the board that he has had multiple discussions between some board members regarding calling the Hall of Fame the Hall of Fame. And maybe the board can get creative and give it another name other than the Hall of Fame but those people do you need to be recognized that have supported the vintage karting association.

President Wlodarsky ask those on the call if they had received the guideline email from Dean K. Those on the call agreed they had received it and have reviewed it and do agree with the guidelines. The VKA Hall of Fame guidelines were read to the board for review and approval.

Hall of Fame Criteria:

Been a Member Past or Present

Served as an Officer or Board of Directors

Participated in Events or administration for a period of 10 years or longer

Manufactured Karts and parts

Provided services to the Benefits of Vintage Karters and the Organization

Conducted themselves in an exemplary manor on and off the track

Award may be given Posthumously

Other Organizations that have supported and promoted the VKA

Any member may present a nomination to the Secretary or President in writing with the reasons for recommendation.

Selection should be made on an annual Basis, preferably in December.

Motion made by Bill McCornack to approve the guidelines as written. Seconded by John Copeland
Motion passes.

Membership report:

Deo advised she is up to date on everything. She has three applications to review that came in from this past weekend's events.

Active Members: 546

She has sent out post cards to those past members whose membership has expired, as a reminder to renew.

S. Palatucci asked question was posed as to who is sending in membership applications? Is it event driven or out of the blue? Deo advised that the memberships are event driven, all applications are sent in from a track after an event.

S. Palatucci asked how many active members the NE has. Deo advised 117.

Treasurers report:

Treasurers report has been approved via email.

Website Report:

L Emanuelson advised he just received some information from J Copeland and will be working on that soon, J Copeland advised he received some more action photos and will get those over to Len.

L Emanuelson advised that the forum doesn't appear to be getting any traction at all. R Hill advise he will get something posted on Facebook and see if we can get more activity on the forum.

L Emanuelson advised a few new things on the website is a Library section and asked if anyone has any links to articles, they would like posted to please send them over.

R Hill advised he sent a thumb drive over to L Emanuelson that has a lot of articles on it, so that should get it started.

President Wlodarsky advised he has been having difficulty getting into the forum in order to post comment and seems to be a little difficult to maneuver. He has been told by several people that they find it a little difficult to navigate. R Hill agreed and advised he has heard the same from other people.

Bill McCornack asked L. Emanuelson what information he has received on the Delmar event? Len advised only pictures at this point. Bill stated he will follow up with Scott and see if he can get some more information from him and send it over for the website.

Event Directors:

K Ginter advised there were two events over the weekend Bakersfield and Sandy Hook, and has not received any information on those events yet. He has sent out the latest 2022 event schedule, there are still a few dates to lock in. He also sent out the 80% complete class entries spreadsheet that the guidelines committee can review.

Enduro Report:

J Copeland advised he really doesn't have anything to report at this time since the Pittsburgh event which had a 840 entries 22 of which were vintage which was surprisingly low and not sure what the reasoning was behind that.

There is a race event next weekend at Roebing Road and he will try to get someone to get some event information on this as he will not be able to attend.

Guidelines:

D Kossaras advised the board that he only has a few minor changes on go over.

110.4 In classes where the pipe is called out (spec pipes)- pipes maybe compared to a known stock as supplied pipe to verify compliance.

Comparative testing between Karts within a class may also be performed.

108.3 -Since hardness testing may vary due to temperature, comparative testing may be performed between Karts in a class to ensure compliance.

Class 19- 100cc- Foreign or American Engines, 6.1 cu-in (100cc) Max displacement- Stock Appearing (any internal modifications allowed)

Just wanted to make sure that verbiage was in there for clarification.

Straight axle sidewinder, with the amount of participation, maybe consolidate them with a few different rear classes.

Discussion took place among the board as to what classes could be run together or be merged together. It was decided that a guideline meeting would be in order to discuss the proposed changes.

D Kossaras advised the Lynn Haddock would like to see included the promoters packet that the races should be promoted live via Race monitor or Mylaps. Discussion took place among the board as to what this would entail.

Judging and Shows:

S Palatucci advised the completed events are sending in information to L Emanuelson for the website. Only a few more races left for the season.

Newsletter:

Deo asked about the status of the newsletter that would run in December/January. R Hill advised that they will be working on that and will include 2022 event calendar, new Board Members, contact information and track information. It would be an Annual Event Schedule sent out in January.

Motion made by B. McCornack that we produce a January 2022 Event Calendar, Board Members new post, that will go out to all active members and new members for 2022.

Seconded by S. Palatucci No one opposed Motion passes.

Regional Reports:

Mid West:

B McCornack advised he was at Whiteland's last event and there were 7 board members in attendance.

Financials were discussed for the North East as of to date.

B McCornack applauded the great work that J Copeland did pulling off the event. Deo applauded J Copeland for parking all those trailers.

G Wlodarsky thanked MaryJo McCormack for assisting with the 50/50 raffle drawing.

North East:

S Owen- advised that he was not at Sandy Hook, but would like S. Palatucci to step in and give an update. S. Palatucci advised there was some confusion due to the weather, if the event was going to happen. The promoter decided on a 1-day event on Saturday.

VKA picked up 1 renewing membership and 1 new member.

The promoter would like to extend it to possibly a 3-day event next year.

R Hill advised there was a track photographer there, and Rolf has asked if they would share some photos with the VKA.

South:

B. Barthelemy advised he still has a 10 T-Shirts left and will take them to the next event to sell and will send the money to Deo.

New Business:

K Ginter asked if the current T shirts will be reordered or if we only have what's on hand left to sell?

B McCornack advised he still has some on hand that he can send to those who needs some.

G Wlodarsky asked the board that those who have some, please send an on hand count out everyone so we can see if they need to be reordered or sent to others that want to have some for the next few races. And then can decide if any more needs to be re-ordered for 2022.

L Emanuelson advised, that he can make an announcement on the Website that the T shirts will be for sale at upcoming events. B McCornack advised he will send a photo of the T-shirts to L Emanuelson to include in the announcement.

L Emanuelson gave an update from the Bakersfield event on behalf of Louie. They had approx. 30-40 karts. The weather was iffy, but held off and the weather was beautiful. The track is amazing and prepped really well for the event. Everyone who went has a great time.

K Ginter advised he sent out an email for discussion to the board regarding some of the cost for items such as photography, scoring a timing and the cost for EMT/ Ambulance as it continues to rise at the events and the promoters have to bare. He wanted to open it up for discussion to see if there was anyway that the VKA can help to off set some of that cost for EMT/Ambulance services. Discussion took place among the board as to how to use some of the money in the treasury. J Copeland asked the board members to come up with ideas on how to use some of the money in the treasury for the benefit of the karters and VKA.

Motion made by J Copeland to table the discussion until next meeting as to how to use some of the money in the treasury. Seconded by: K Ginter Motion Passes

J Copeland asked the Board to send any suggestions to him directly for how the VKA can support the promoters and tracks.

President Wlodarsky thanked everyone for their attendance and adjourned the meeting at 9:32pm

Respectfully submitted by: Kelly Frazier