

VKA Board Meeting – April 10, 2022

Call To Order: President John Copeland called the meeting to order at 8:05pm

Roll Call: Jim Kammueler called the roll with the following results

Board Members in Attendance:

John Copeland

Deo Curts

Gary Wlodarsky

Louie Figone

Bill McCornack

Jim Kammueler

Lynn Haddock

Kurt Bogerman

Skip Owen

Bob Barthelemy

Board Members Absent:

Joe Swantek

Guest Present:

Rolf Hill

Len Emanuelson

President's Report:

President Copeland addressed the board the first thing that needs to be addressed is the VKA forum, and we are having a backlog of bogus subscribers on the forum that needs to be cleared out. There is a new mechanism in place to deal with this going forward. There were over 3000 bogus accounts that needed to be cleared out and Crystal has done that. When the forum was created several people had stepped forward to help moderate the forum. Now that the bogus accounts have been deleted it should be relatively easy to keep up to date. John asked for those who agreed to help moderate the forum to step forward.

L. Emanuelson advised that since Crystal has cleaned up the bogus spam accounts, and installed new qualifications to join the forum, there have been no new spam accounts created. Crystal is working on a tutorial to show the board how to go in and clean up the remaining spam accounts that do exist and the tutorial should be ready within the next few days.

John Copeland called for names of those to volunteer to help moderate: L. Haddock, J. Kammueler and R. Hill stepped forward. L. Haddock did ask for the tutorial, when available, to be sent to him so he has a better understanding of how the forum works.

President Copeland advised another issue needs to be discussed by the board.

Executive Session was instated by President Copeland.

Executive Session ended- regular board meeting resumed

VP Report:

L. Figone advised he would like to discuss the Adams event, he had a zoom meeting with the Adams family and he will be turning over all registration jobs over to them Adams family, and he is happy with the event, and they did express they want to continue having the event.

A big event is coming up in Prairie City- May 6-7, 2022.

B. McCornack asked is they will be doing anymore of those events and L. Figone advised that no, it's a once in a lifetime event.

President Copeland advised the March 2022 minutes were approved by email.

Secretary's Report:

J. Kammuller advised that in the Midwest region participation Class 4 Group A & B looks very good so far, but we will see how it turns out.

Membership report:

D. Curts advised the memberships are coming in a little at a time, the big push is normally around December and January.

She will discuss PayPal when J. Swantek comes on the call. J Copeland asked if she could give them a brief update on the PayPal transactions until J. Swantek is able to join the call. D. Curts advised she was able to do a transfer from PayPal to the VKA bank account and did forward that ledger info onto J. Swantek. S. Owen advised that after several calls the PayPal issues seem to be resolved at this time. J. Copeland thanked D. Curts and S. Owen for their help in get this resolved.

D. Curts advised on April 4th, she received an email from J. Donovan regarding the new officers for the state of Nevada, and the annual fee. He asked if she wanted to take it over, and she advised that she would. She will work on getting her contact information changed over on the corporation information for her to be the contact.

R. Hill, advised that the VKA is a Nevada corporation and this is the annual paperwork that needs to be completed annually.

Treasurer's report:

J. Copeland advised the treasurer's report was approved via email vote prior to the conference call.

Public Relations:

G. Wlodarsky advised he was able to go down to Barnesville, and was asked to do the tire survey and there was 11 in the class, the vote was 6-5 for the R80's.

The VKA ran a little 50/50 raffle, and he will be sending that money out to J. Swantek.

Website:

L. Emanuelson advised he is waiting on the coverage from Jacksonville and Barnesville, and once received he will put that up on the website. He is back up on his feet again, and will be working on some tech stories, and if anyone else anything to send to him he is open to receiving.

Event Directors

B McCornack received some contact information for a gentleman who has a track in Waco, TX and he reached out to him and he is interesting in doing a few fun, practice type events down there to get people used to going to a few events a year and hopefully grow it into a full event schedule.

B. McCornack advised he gave him B. Barthelemy's information as the Southern event coordinator for the VKA. B. Barthelemy advised he has spoken to him as well and is excited for the opportunity. B. Barthelemy advised he would like to send them a copy of the promoter's package for review and B. McCornack advised that would be ok.

B. McCornack asked if L. Emanuelson could send him a step-by-step process of how to submit photos to the drop box after an event as there seems to be some confusion from some of the promoters. L. Emanuelson advised he already has something and will send that to him.

B. McCornack wanted to address the board as to one thing he has noticed, some of the promoters are struggling to put on some of the events, as they may be lacking help. Some promoters only put on an event once a year and maybe struggle with some of the little things, as well as help and volunteers. J. Copeland asked the board that if they are in the opportunity, when at an event to maybe volunteer some time if they see help is needed to please do so.

Enduro Report:

No report currently

Rule and Guidelines:

L. Haddock advised he has nothing at this moment all is quiet on his end.

Judging and Shows:

K Bogerman, advised he does not have anything to report at this time. He has done the promoters packets and sent them out earlier in the year.

G. Wlodarsky advised that in Barnesville, there was a limited number of karts in the show, approx. 20-25 karts.

Regional Reports:

Midwest- B. McCornack advised the first event in his region is Springfield, IL May 19-21st and he will not be able to make it, but he will be at New Castle, Broadhead, Quincy, Delmar and Whiteland.

J. Copeland advised he will be in Springfield along with G. Wlodarsky.

Northeast- S. Owen advised he does not have much to report, he did receive the flyer for Nicolson and was able to send that over to Rolf for posting.

West- L. Figone advised he does not have anything additional at this time.

South- B. Barthelemy updated the board on the Barnesville event, there were 86 entries, and the numbers were close to last year. There was bad weather on Wednesday and took some time to get the track blown off on Thursday and took the track around 10:15-10:30am. There were 3 historics, and 5 juniors and that number was down from last year.

B. Barthelemy advised that he had made announcements over the loudspeaker regarding the VKA covering the entries for the Junior class. B. McCornack asked if B. Barthelemy had received any feedback regarding that? Barthelemy advised he had not, but he would take that as a positive since he did not hear any negative feedback.

L. Haddock advised that the VKA covering the entry fees of the Junior class needs to be promoted again on social media. R Hill advised he will remember to put something on Facebook.

B. Barthelemy suggested putting it also on all the standard entry forms, so the promoters will have it already there as well, he had added it to the Barnesville entry forms.

B Barthelemy continued a detailed update on Barnesville event, running 13 groups in the first heat and 12 groups in the second and third heats. They ran two heats on Friday and one heat on Saturday. B. Barthelemy advised there was approx. 11 membership forms coming to D. Curts and will also asked for direction, if it's ok to send in one check for the membership and the half and half raffle. B. McCornack advised he will get back to him on that question.

Old Business:

President Copeland advised the only thing he had under old business to discuss was the forum tutorial and L. Emanuelson has already answered that.

New Business:

R. Hill wanted to put a bug in everyone's year and would like to promote the second annual go kart month in September and asked if Kent maybe interested in doing another poster again.

R. Hill also wanted to thank the VKA Board and all the vintage karters for their support, as the calendar was very successful this year and he was able to provide a 5k check to Burrough Hills event last night.

L. Emanuelson advised that he will be at New Castle event and looks forward to meeting those who will be there, that he hasn't met yet.

President Copeland thanked everyone for their time and contribution to VKA and adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 9:10pm EST.

Respectfully submitted by: Kelly Frazier