

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Max Viney called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**OPENING REMARKS:** Max Viney reminded attendees to turn cell phones off or on vibrate and directed sidebar conversations be taken outside.

**SECRETARYS' REPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the June board meeting minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Max Viney and passed unanimously. Coombs distributed copies of the directors and officers insurance policy to the board members and officers in attendance. She explained the points on the OVKA website will be updated when the webmaster returns from vacation.

**TREASURERS' REPORT:** Deferred.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**CHAMP RACE:** Lynda Coombs reported the Cradlebaugh and Thornton families have been working on the details associated with the Champ Race and thanked them for all they are doing. Coombs made a motion to appropriate \$6,000 for Champ Race expenses. The motion was seconded by Hal Thornton and passed unanimously. Toshiya Michimi offered to make arrangements for photos to be taken of the podium finishers. Cradlebaugh asked if the qualifying lineup will be based on point standings to which Coombs said it would.

**SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS:** Hal Thornton reported that the remaining reserved pit spots will be available at a cost of \$15 per race. Dennis Queary clarified that for those persons renting a space on a per race basis, there is no guarantee the spot will be available from race to race. Randy N. Vermillion reminded the board a person will be needed to chair the Sponsorship Committee next year. Vermillion further stated sponsorship activities need to begin shortly after the Champ Race. Interested persons should contact Vermillion.

**SHOWS & PROMOTIONS:** Max Viney reported the next meeting of the Shows and Promotions Committee will be at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, July 19, 2008, at G & J Kartway. Randy N. Vermillion suggested having "Home of OVKA" on the billboard alongside the back straight of the track and offered to obtain pricing.

**TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Max Viney thanked Gary Gregg for all he has done with track improvements. Viney reported Gregg installed forty-five crash bags and additional fencing. The club purchased twenty crash bags and made adjustments to some of the turtles.

**SWAP MEET:** Dennis Queary stated Gary Gregg continues to look for ideas to promote the Swap Meet. Bob Williams offered to help with the Swap Meet mailing.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**GOLD CUP:** Max Viney reported Steve Willis has successfully filled all worker positions for the Gold Cup, which is coming to G & J Kartway this weekend. Randy N. Vermillion suggested having the 2009 Swap Meet flyers available to give out at the Gold Cup. Max Viney will take care of this.

**LIGHTS FOR EVENING EVENTS:** Max Viney reported it will not be necessary to rent lights for the evening events since Herman Tholen replaced bulbs in the existing lights. Viney thanked Tholen for taking care of this.

**BOARD MEMBERS:** In follow up to last month, Randy N. Vermillion said he continues to wait for input regarding expectations for board members. Mark Lewis said persons on the board need to contribute in some way, such as pre-tech, post-tech or work a corner. JoAnne Hartings suggested taking a look at what other karting organizations do. Dennis Queary stated ten percent of the people do the work and Ted Cradlebaugh said a lot of people do not realize how much work is done. Due to the absence of five board members, the matter was tabled.

**I-CARD:** Lynda Coombs reported she is attempting to make arrangements with the I-card representative to provide phone support while at the track on a non-race day. Dennis Queary offered to provide assistance with this.

**TRANSPONDERS:** Max Viney reported ten new transponder have been put into service. It will be necessary to order some additional new style transponder holders.

**PHOTOGRAPHER:** Tim Reed reported he was contacted by someone interested in taking photographs and making them available for sale. John Horn raised the question whether this should be put out for bid. Toshiya Michimi suggested allowing anyone to take photographs and allow the members to choose from whom they purchase. Reed will follow up with his contact.

**RULEBOOK:** Rick Coombs reviewed suggestions that have been compiled so far for discussion for next year's rulebook. Printed copies will be distributed at next month's board meeting and discussion will begin. Randy N. Vermillion discussed a different restrictor WKA has allowed in the Sportsman Briggs class. He will follow up with WKA at the Gold Cup.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RADIOS:** Randy N. Vermillion reported there have been issues with several of the radios, headsets and charging units. Max Viney said the club needs to look into replacing up to six of each. Following discussion, Dennis Queary and Randy Landes offered to obtain price quotes.

**TECH:** Randy N. Vermillion discussed the existence of approximately two hundred mufflers that were mistakenly manufactured with the hole rotations turned 45 degrees. It is unknown whether there is any effect on performance. Vermillion said he has been in contact with WKA and was told the mufflers have been approved for use. Vermillion stated he is of the opinion the mufflers should not be permitted since not everyone can get one if they want to. Dennis Queary said with WKA's position being that the muffler is legal, he is of the opinion there is nothing that can be done. Randy J. Vermillion stated the OVKA board could say no and supersede WKA's position. Following further discussion, no action was taken to deny use of the muffler in question. Randy N. Vermillion discussed an issue with the dimension of some air boxes.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM:** JoAnne Hartings reported some of the PA speakers do not work. Max Viney said he will talk with Gary Gregg about the matter. Viney reported he plans to look into a cordless microphone like the one used at Circleville.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 5, 2008, at Ramada Inn Middletown, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn at 10:20 p.m. was made by Rick Coombs, seconded by Max Viney and passed unanimously.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** R. Coombs, T. Cradlebaugh, J. Hartings, R. Landes, M. Lewis, T. Michimi, D. Queary, H. Thornton, R. Vermillion, and M. Viney.

**MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT:** L. Coombs, J. Horn, R. McKibben, Randall Potter, Randy Potter, T. Reed, R. J. Vermillion and B. Williams,

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 7/26/08.