

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER & OPENING REMARKS:** President Max Viney called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., reminded attendees to turn cell phones off or on vibrate and directed sidebar conversations be taken outside. Viney explained board members Don Boles, Ted Cradlebaugh, and Randy Landes are unable to attend this evening.

**SECRETARYS' REPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the August board meeting minutes as published. Max Viney seconded the motion, which passed with seven in favor and one abstained.

**TREASURERS' REPORT:** Max Viney provided a financial report on behalf of Jason Gregg.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**SHOWS & PROMOTIONS:** Max Viney discussed the upcoming Springfield Car and Parts Swap Meet on September 11<sup>th</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup>. He said someone will be needed to staff and disassemble the display on the last day since OVKA has a race. Ray McKibben offered to check with Kathy.

**TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Max Viney thanked Ray and Steven McKibben for sandblasting the men's restroom. Ray discussed using a different technique for the women's restroom and the need for replacing shower backboards in both restrooms. Viney will obtain pricing.

**SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS:** No report.

**BANQUET:** Rick Coombs reported he has not received feedback from the board about thoughts for banquet funding. Ray McKibben asked for comparison entry statistics, which Lynda Coombs will provide next month. Gary Gregg suggested looking into other options to reduce the cost of the banquet admission.

**SWAP MEET:** Dennis Queary will contact the Springfield Chamber of Commerce to research special rates for hotels in the area.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**YOUTH EVENT:** Virgil Oatts reported the first driver with his youth program was a successful experience at Circleville. Oatts continues to move forward with establishing 501(C)3 status and a board of directors. He will be filming some on location footage for local access television.

**TIRES:** Max Viney reported he is waiting to hear back from Jim Russell.

**2010 RULEBOOK:** Rick Coombs reported he has been getting feedback suggesting OVKA consider switching to the WKA tech manual. Coombs asked the board if they want to continue the practice of reviewing the OVKA rulebook and making revisions. Mike Brown made a motion for OVKA to go with the WKA rulebook as it pertains to safety and kart specifications. Following discussion, Brown withdrew the motion. Jean Stafford offered to compare the WKA tech manual and OVKA rulebook for duplications and report next month. He will also include the suggestions that have been made for 2010.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**COMPUTER SOFTWARE/SUPPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to appropriate \$400 for computer the software update and computer support. The motion was seconded by Dennis Queary and passed unanimously. Gerald Whaling expressed concern about the length of time at sign-in to which Jean Stafford explained delays are often the result of people not having their paperwork complete. Whaling offered to assist at sign-in.

**2010 SCHEDULE:** Max Viney asked for thoughts about the 2010 racing schedule, including number of away races and evening events. Discussion included more Saturday night races, avoiding graduation time, more drops, continue two drops, more races on new track addition, eliminating the old C configuration, start racing one half-hour earlier, rent portable lights, not race at away tracks if cannot have practice time the day before, no away races, have away events at Circleville only, reduce number of races, and increase number of races. Gary Gregg said he would agree to have up to fourteen races at his track. Viney will present a draft 2010 schedule at the next board meeting.

**2010 CLASS STRUCTURE:** Max Viney discussed class statistics over the last several years. Suggestions included discontinue Shifter class, leave the Rookie and Senior Novice Yamaha classes, eliminate all Briggs classes, add junior and senior HPV classes, keep Cadet class, drop Yamaha Junior Heavy, and keep 175# driver weight rule for Yamaha Heavy. The matter was tabled until next month.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at Ramada Inn Middletown, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).

**SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:**

- Lynda Coombs – Provide entry statistics for 2008 and 2009 at October board meeting.
- Ray McKibben – Check with Kathy regarding staffing the OVKA booth on September 13, 2009 at the Springfield Car and Parts Swap Meet.
- Dennis Queary – Contact Springfield Chamber of Commerce regarding special hotel rates for Swap Meet attendees.
- Jean Stafford – Review WKA tech manual, OVKA rulebook and list of suggestions for duplications; report at October board meeting.
- Max Viney – Obtain pricing for shower backboards; follow up with Jim Russell regarding tires, present draft 2010 schedule.
- Gerald Whaling – Assist at sign-in to assure participants have completed their paperwork.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** D. Benson, M. Brown, R. Coombs, R. Etter, G. Gregg, R. Landes, R. McKibben, D. Queary, T. Reed, R.J. Vermillion, and M. Viney.

**MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT:** C. Bogan, L. Coombs, B. Frey, J. Frommeyer, L. McCready, V. Oatts, Randall Potter, Randy Potter, P. Robbins, J. Stafford, R.N. Vermillion, J. Wagar, F. Whaling, G. Whaling, and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 8/19/09.