

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 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 said sidebar conversations are to be taken outside. Viney directed that conduct is to be in a calm, civil manner and one person to speak at a time.

**SECRETARYS' REPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the October board meeting minutes as published. Max Viney seconded the motion, which passed with nine 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 upcoming promotional opportunities including:

\*Springfield Car & Parts Show, Saturday and Sunday, November 14 and 15 (set-up Friday evening); 15' by 20' booth cost is \$60. Contact Viney to help set up, tear down and/or staff the show booth.

\*Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show, Friday through Sunday, January 8 through 10, 2010; setup on Wednesday evening. Viney explained this show affords OVKA the biggest opportunity to promote the organization. Contact Viney to help set up, tear down and/or staff the show booth.

\*Circle Track Show, Saturday, January 30, 2010, at Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis; cost \$60 for a 10' by 10' booth; show limited to vendors and visitors over the age of eighteen. Contact Viney to volunteer.

\*Kart Expo International, Saturday and Sunday, February 27 and 28, 2010. Viney explained this show has moved back to Pheasant Run Resort and Conference Center in St. Charles, Illinois. Lynda Coombs reported this show provides an excellent opportunity to promote OVKA's Swap Meet. Viney made a motion to appropriate \$312.50 for OVKA to participate at Kart Expo. The motion was seconded by Ted Cradlebaugh and passed unanimously. Contact Coombs to sign-up to staff the show booth.

**TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** No report.

**BANQUET:** Rick Coombs reported the annual mailing will be sent out by mid-November which will include the banquet registration form and participation credit spreadsheet. Coombs asked that everyone review the participation information and spellings and report corrections to Lynda Coombs. He explained ballots will be given out to paid 2010 members at the annual meeting; membership runs calendar year. Persons must be present to vote; no proxy votes are accepted. Coombs reminded everyone that per board vote in November 2008, Sportsman-age classes that did not meet the 4.0 minimum average will receive a smaller trophy for those racers with 50% or better participation. This means no jackets, eagles or descending order trophies - individuals may purchase these personally if desired. Options for future banquets were discussed. The banquet will be held Saturday, January 23, 2010, at Kings Island Resort and Conference Center in Mason, Ohio.

**SWAP MEET:** On behalf of Dennis Queary, Max Viney reported calls and registrations are coming in for the Swap Meet to be held on Saturday, February 6, 2010. Volunteers will be needed to staff the gate. Contact Queary to rent booth space or to sign up to help.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**2010 SCHEDULE:** Max Viney distributed draft two of the 2010 OVKA schedule. During extensive discussion, John Horn made a motion to qualify six races as follows: race #2, two night races, the last two races of the season and the Champ Race. The motion was seconded by Randy J. Vermillion. Rick Coombs amended the motion for the additional qualifying races to be on the short track. Coombs' amendment was seconded by Max Viney and passed with ten in favor and one opposed. Horn's motion was then voted on and passed with six in favor and five opposed. Don Boles made a motion to count all races. The motion was seconded by Viney and failed with seven opposed and four in favor. Horn made a motion to race in the rain excluding Kid Karts. The motion was seconded by Randy J. Vermillion and failed with eight opposed, two in favor and one abstained. Coombs made a motion to not have any rain dates keeping the existing weather policy in effect. The motion was seconded by Max Viney and failed with six opposed, three in favor and two abstained. Following discussion, Boles made a motion to rescind the rain dates motion and was seconded by Randy J. Vermillion. The motion to rescind passed with six in favor and four opposed. Marlon Evans made a motion to have an endurance race at the end of the season rain or shine. The motion was seconded by Ray McKibben and

subsequently withdrawn by Evans. Doug Stempfley made a motion to accept the 2010 schedule as modified with configurations to be determined. The motion was seconded by Coombs. Randy N. Vermillion amended the motion to table the matter until next month. The amendment was seconded by Randy J. Vermillion and passed with seven in favor and three opposed.

**2010 CLASS STRUCTURE:** Max Viney presented draft two of the 2010 class structure. Discussion included no restrictors in Kid Karts, Kid Karts running the big course, what to do about the Briggs classes, adding classes, issues pertaining to combining classes, weights of some classes and number of warm-up sessions. John Horn made a motion to eliminate all Briggs classes which was seconded by Doug Benson. Motion failed with nine opposed, one in favor and one abstained. Jean Stafford made a motion to adopt a Spec 100 SBX Long Can Class with weight and other factors to be determined. The motion was seconded by Rick Etter. Following discussion, Don Boles, seconded by Ray McKibben, amended the motion to vote on the class structure as presented with Kid Karts unrestricted. The amendment passed with six in favor and five opposed making it unnecessary to vote on Stafford's motion. Josh Wagar motioned that the specifications for the new Spec 100 SBX Long Can Class be based on the description distributed by Ron Gordon. The motion was seconded by Randy J. Vermillion. Doug Stempfley amended the motion to have a minimum driver weight of 175#. Gary Gregg seconded the amendment which failed with five opposed, three in favor and three abstained. Wagar's motion passed with six in favor, four opposed and one abstained. Gregg made a motion to add an SBX class for Master age drivers 360 lbs. to run combined with the Spec 100 SBX Long Can Class. The motion was seconded by Doug Stempfley. Randy Potter amended the motion that the class include senior age drivers. The amendment was seconded by Randy J. Vermillion and failed with eight opposed, two in favor and one abstained. Gregg's motion then passed with seven in favor, one opposed and three abstained.

2010 class structure approved:

1. Kid Karts unrestricted 150 lbs.
2. Rookie Class (includes Cadet, Yamaha Sportsman and Kid Kart chassis) – same weight as in 2009
3. Cadet Sportsman 235 lbs. combined with Sportsman Briggs Animal 250 lbs.
4. Yamaha Sportsman 205 lbs.
5. HPV Sportsman 250 lbs.
6. Yamaha Junior (SSX can) 305 lbs. combined with Junior Briggs Animal 310 lbs.
7. HPV Junior 310 lbs.
8. Yamaha SBX can; engine tech refer to WKA Road Racing Series 410 lbs. combined with SBX Masters 360 lbs.
9. Yamaha Heavy 390 lbs. combined with Yamaha Lite 330 lbs
10. Yamaha Senior Supercan (SSX can) 340 lbs.
11. Yamaha Masters 360 lbs
12. Senior Novice Yamaha 360 lbs. combined with Senior Briggs Animal 360 lbs.
13. TaG Senior weights to be determined.

**2010 RULEBOOK:** Tabled.

**2010 OFFICERS:** Max Viney reported the following persons have expressed interest in officer positions for the 2010 season:

President – Max Viney and Randy J. Vermillion;

Vice-President – Tim Reed and Josh Wagar;

Secretary – Lynda Coombs;

Treasurer – Jason Gregg.

Viney explained in order to vote on officers at the annual meeting, 2010 membership dues must be paid.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**DARF NIGHT:** Max Viney reported four OVKA class champions will be honored at the annual DARF banquet on Saturday, December 5, 2009:

John Powers – Yamaha Sportsman and HPV Sportsman;

Randall Potter – Yamaha Junior Lite and Yamaha Junior Heavy;

Travis Gregg – Yamaha Senior Supercan;

Greg Welage – Yamaha Masters.

**2010 MEMBERSHIP FEE:** Lynda Coombs explained the 2010 membership application will be included in the annual mailing and asked the board for direction on the membership fee. Consensus of the board was to maintain the \$35 membership fee for the 2010 season.

**BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATIONS:** Max Viney reported it was with regret he has accepted the resignation of Tim Bell and Rick Etter from the OVKA Board of Directors. Etter will continue to serve as a tech assistant. Viney thanked Bell and Etter for their service to the organization.

**BOARD MEMBER NOMINATION:** Randy J. Vermillion, seconded by Max Viney, nominated Dwight Newberry to the OVKA Board of Directors. Gerald Whaling asked that Francis Whaling be considered for nomination to a board position.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**MEMBER DIRECTORY:** Kathy McKibben asked the board's permission to include a voluntary member directory application in the annual mailing. McKibben offered to compile the information and have copies available at the banquet and at the track. She noted the directory will not be posted on the Internet.

**AGE CLARIFICATION:** Rick Harris asked for clarification of the age policy for a 13-year-old driver. Lynda Coombs referenced the WKA tech manual and OVKA rulebook:

WKA 103.2.1: "*COMPETITION AGE: A driver's actual age as of December 20, 2008 shall establish his/her "competition age" for the 2009 calendar year*".

WKA 103.2.2: "*ELIGIBILITY TO ADVANCE AN AGE CATEGORY: Minor drivers of at least nine years of age (fifteen in Road Racing) whose birthday qualifies them to move up to classes with the next higher age requirement may do so under two conditions. If their birthday occurs by June 30 of a competition year, they may advance to classes with the next higher age requirement at the beginning of that competition year. If their birthday occurs after June 30, they may move up on or after their birthday and complete the competition year in classes with the next higher age requirement*".

OVKA 306.2 (partial): "At no time can a 14-year-old driver compete in a senior level class".

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The meeting was adjourned to executive session at 11:00 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Josh Wagar was voted unanimously to the OVKA Board of Directors. The board voted to maintain the current number of board members for one year as per the by-laws which provides for a range of 9 to 15.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 1, 2009, at Ramada Inn Middletown, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).

**SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:**

- Lynda Coombs – Coordinate Kart Expo volunteers.
- Doug Stempfley – Post on OVKA website persons interested in officer positions.
- Max Viney – Coordinate Springfield Car and Parts Show, Circle Track Show and Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs volunteers.

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

**MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT:** S. Benson, C. Bogan, O. Cohen, L. Coombs, D. Cradlebaugh, H. Cradlebaugh, B. Frey, R. Gordon, Sr., C. Harris, M. Harris, R. Harris, J. Horn, G. Kaeser, G. Lutz, L. McCreedy, K. McKibben, D. Newberry, V. Oatts, Randall Potter, Randy Potter, P. Robbins, K. Schneider, B. Smiley, L. Smiley, J. Stafford, M. Vermillion, R.N. Vermillion, J. Wagar, G. Welage, F. Whaling, G. Whaling, R. Williamson and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 11/9/09.