

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

CALL TO ORDER & OPENING REMARKS: President Max Viney called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m., reminded attendees to turn cell phones off or on vibrate and said sidebar conversations are to be taken outside.

SECRETARYS' REPORT: Lynda Coombs reported an error in the November 3, 2009 minutes regarding the Yamaha Sportsman minimum weight which should have been 250 pounds. Coombs made a motion to accept the November board meeting minutes with this correction. Max Viney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SHOWS & PROMOTIONS: Max Viney reported he will be stepping down from the Shows and Promotions Committee. Lynda Coombs will continue to assist and other volunteers will be needed.

*Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show - Viney discussed the need for volunteers to coordinate the Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show which is a highly important community outreach activity for the club. Josh Wagar offered to coordinate this event. Help will be needed with set up which will most likely be on Wednesday, January 6, 2010. Viney will submit the paperwork.

*Circle Track Show, Saturday, January 30, 2010, at Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis – Viney explained someone will be needed to take the show booth and karts to the Circle Track Show, as well as coordinate volunteers will be needed for this one-day event. Virgil Oatts offered to oversee the event. Viney will submit the paperwork.

*Viney explained it has been learned Kart Expo will remain at DuPage Expo Center one more year then move back to Pheasant Run Resort and Conference Center in 2011. Following discussion, consensus was to continue to participate in the event in 2010 on February 27 and 28. Lynda Coombs will submit the paperwork and coordinate volunteers.

TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE: Max Viney reported the committee will be meeting with Gary Gregg to discuss restroom facilities. Ray McKibben asked that a materials list be created so donations can be sought out. Viney thanked all of the volunteers who helped close up the track for the winter. Doug Benson inquired about the need for PA repairs. Gary Gregg stated he will be repairing the system.

BANQUET: Rick Coombs reported the annual mailing was sent out November 9, 2009. Coombs thanked Kathy McKibben for helping Lynda and himself with this. As a reminder, Coombs said the deadline for the lower banquet ticket price and room rate is January 8, 2010. Final deadline for tickets is January 15, 2010. A ticket is necessary to attend any portion of the banquet. The annual general membership meeting begins at 2:00 p.m. where ballots for the officer elections will be distributed to paid 2010 members. The banquet will be held Saturday, January 23, 2010, at Kings Island Resort and Conference Center in Mason, Ohio.

SWAP MEET: Max Viney reported the 2010 Swap Meet will be the last one Dennis Queary will be chairing. Viney explained the importance of someone working with Queary as he coordinates the upcoming Swap Meet in preparation for turning over the duties. Queary received a round of applause. Viney explained people who rented a booth last year, have first right of refusal until January 17, 2010.

SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS: Hal Thornton reported he will be no longer be able to coordinate pit spots and has turned all files over to Lee McCready. Thornton received a round of applause. A volunteer will be needed for the 2010 season to work with McCready. Interested persons should contact Thornton or McCready.

OLD BUSINESS:

2010 CLASS STRUCTURE: Following discussion of the weight for the new Yamaha SBX Can Class, Ray McKibben made a motion to require a 215 pound minimum driver weight as raced with safety equipment; no added weight on person. The motion was seconded by Max Viney and passed with nine in favor and three abstained.

2010 SCHEDULE: Max Viney reported he has received a lot of feedback from people who do not want the Champ Race to be held over the Fourth of July weekend as proposed last month. Viney made a motion to keep the 2A configuration for the Champ Race, as well as the race before. The motion was seconded by Rick

Coombs and passed with eight in favor and four opposed. Doug Benson made a motion to travel one race to Circleville and one race to New Castle. If New Castle cannot provide a date, then travel only one time to Circleville. The motion was seconded by Ted Cradlebaugh and passed with nine in favor and three opposed. Following review of race dates and configurations with revisions made, Viney made a motion to run the schedule contingent upon Mike Adams giving us a June 20, 2010 race date and if not, we race June 20, 2010 at G & J Kartway on 1A configuration. The motion was seconded by Doug Benson and passed with seven in favor, two opposed and three abstained.

2010 RULEBOOK:

Items discussed with action taken:

- Address participants pulling out prior to conclusion of event – Lee McCready will address this during the season.
- Require reserved pit spots be paid by first race.

Items discussed and dismissed:

- Heat DQs finish in front of those racers with less laps.
- Clarify role of President on race day and include in rulebook if President has a decision-making role.
- Require that all heats consist of the same number of laps unless weather conditions or other circumstances prevent this (such as red flags, ambulance call).
- Restore explanation regarding complete re-start.
- Move tech area near scale or reconfigure exit lane to come out near tech area.
- Do away with TaG weight sticker requirement.
- Add wording that during a start, if the kart exits the track, they cannot return.
- Allow other classes to use different oil/fuel mix like the TaG class is doing.
- Age as of December 31st to determine class eligibility.

Items discussed and tabled:

- Fuel – Francis Whaling, Jean Stafford and John Deis to conduct fuel testing.
- 90-second rule at New Castle - tabled until February 2010.
- Length of bolts for weights.
- Have final heat count as finish for the day regardless of whether pea-pick or qualifying – tabled until 2011.

2010 OFFICERS: Max Viney reported he will not be running for OVKA President due to his job. Persons interested in officer positions are:

President – Randy J. Vermillion and Ted Cradlebaugh;

Vice-President – Tim Reed and Josh Wagar;

Secretary – Lynda Coombs;

Treasurer – Jason Gregg.

Viney explained in order to vote at the annual membership meeting prior to the banquet, your 2010 membership application and dues must be submitted prior to the meeting. One ballot per family membership will be distributed.

NEW BUSINESS:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Max Viney reported that last month the board voted to maintain the current number of board members for one year as per the by-laws which allows for a range of nine to fifteen board members. Viney explained the board feels there has been a lot of change this past year and it is in the best interest of the organization to hold constant with the current number of directors.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

TECH DIRECTOR: Max Viney explained he will no longer be serving as Tech Director and is assigning that position to Mike Brown with Rick Etter as Assistant Tech Director.

YOUTH EVENT: Virgil Oatts reported he is making good progress with his youth outreach program. He is forming a Board of Directors, working on securing funding and partnering with other organizations and the media. This program provided the opportunity for a youth to race with OVKA this past season.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Ted Cradlebaugh thanked Max Viney for his service to the organization as President and Tech Director. Viney received a round of applause.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn at 10:34 p.m. was made by Don Boles, seconded by Doug Stempfley and passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETINGS:

- Monthly Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 5, 2010, at Ramada Inn Middletown, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).
- Annual General Membership Meeting – 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 23, 2010, at Kings Island Resort and Conference Center, 5691 Kings Island Drive, Mason, Ohio.

SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:

- Lynda Coombs – Submit paperwork and coordinate volunteers for Kart Expo; email local option class proposal to WKA; run copies of promotional materials for Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show.
- Gary Gregg – Repair PA system.
- Lee McCready – Address participants pulling out of pit spots prior to the conclusion of events next season.
- Virgil Oatts – Coordinate Circle Track Show.
- Max Viney – Submit paperwork for Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show and Circle Track Show.
- Josh Wagar – Coordinate Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show.

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

MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT: C. Bogan, L. Coombs, D. Cradlebaugh, G. Kaeser, L. McCready, D. Newberry, V. Oatts, Randall Potter, Randy Potter, P. Robbins, K. Schneider, B. Smiley, L. Smiley, J. Stafford, H. Thornton, M. Vermillion, R.N. Vermillion and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 12/12/09.