

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2010**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Tim Reed called the executive session to order at 6:35 p.m. The board discussed tire testing data and tire proposals. It was determined more information is needed from the tire suppliers. Ted Cradlebaugh will follow up and report back next month.

**WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER:** Tim Reed called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

**SECRETARYS' REPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the October 5, 2010 board meeting minutes with a correction to a typographical error. Randy Vermillion seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Coombs reported the 2010 participation spreadsheet and banquet registration form are available this evening.

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

**BUSINESS:**

**2011 TIRES:** Tim Reed reported the board had discussion prior to the meeting this evening about tires for next season. Reed explained the tire distributors have asked that terms be kept confidential because they have contracts with other organizations. He said further information needs to be obtained so the matter will wait until December. Reed thanked Ted Cradlebaugh for all of his efforts in collecting information.

**RESCUE SQUAD PAY & CHARGES:** Mike Brown reported members are being charged for EMS services even when no transport occurs. Gary Gregg will follow up with the EMS company. Brown said if there are going to be fees charged members should be informed.

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Rick Coombs reported he has been asked by several members to suggest there be a 30-day notice of who is running for officer positions. He suggested the board consider amending the by-laws to close nominations at the December board meeting preceding the election unless there is no nomination at that time then accept nominations at the January board meeting or if necessary, at the annual general membership meeting. Ray McKibben noted nominations first come from the board and if no board member is interested, then nominations can come from the general membership. Gary Gregg discussed how last year was the first time there were four people running for President and Vice President and he thinks the membership enjoyed being able to vote. Following discussion, Mike Brown made a motion to nominate officers at the board meeting of the month prior to the banquet. The motion was seconded by Ray McKibben and failed with less than a two-thirds majority required to amend the by-laws (roll call: Brown-yes; Coombs-yes; Cradlebaugh-yes; Gregg-no; Landes-no; McKibben-yes; Stempfley-no; Vermillion-yes; Viney-no; Wagar-yes; Boles-abstained). Tim Reed presented a proposed amendment to the OVKA by-laws, Article IV – Directors:

- 1) "Minimum commitment" (ATTEND, PARTICIPATE, WORK) required of EVERY BoD member in order to maintain BoD status.
  - Must ATTEND a minimum number of race days that equals the total number of points races for the year, minus allowable drops.
  - Must WORK a minimum of 1 (or 2) points race days (and this is "real" work, ALL day commitment).
  - Shows and Promotions: Must PARTICIPATE in at least 1 show/promotion per year to promote OVKA.
  - Swap Meet: Mandatory for all BoD members to WORK at least 4 hours, unless excused by the President.
  - ALL "WORK" from BoD members under the "mandatory" guidelines in non-paid.
  - ATTEND a minimum of 9 BoD meetings a year.
- 2) 3 year term limit.
- 3) When worker positions need to be filled on race day, rather than draw from race entries, BoD members will be required to fill positions. (In my humble opinion, a member should NEVER show up on a race day, PAY an entry fee, and then be told they have to WORK. Never!).

Coombs expressed concern about the effect this would have on board members who are racing for a championship to which Max Viney agreed. McKibben stated most board members are already doing something in some fashion to support the club, either before, during or after the events. Gregg stated there needs to be qualifications in order to serve as a board member. Don Boles said all board members need to step up. Reed explained his proposal was something to noodle about and retracted requiring board members having to fill worker positions. Brown reviewed his proposal from last month to establish three committees: administrative,

service and race day. He detailed some of the duties associated with race day and explained these committees would give ownership and responsibility to the entire board, not just a handful. Brown proposed two general members serve on each committee with the members voted on by the membership. Gregg suggested there be three board members elected at the general membership meeting who would serve on these committees for a three-year term. Gregg further stated board members need to assist more and karters want to feel their voice is heard. Boles suggested combining the Reed and Brown proposals. Lynda Coombs suggested board member expectations be developed. Reed asked that suggestions be emailed to him.

**PROTEST COMMITTEE APPEAL:** Withdrawn.

**2011 SCHEDULE:** Tim Reed reviewed a draft 2011 schedule that was emailed to the board. He explained the schedule overlays with only one National and two Great Lakes events. Gary Gregg stated more night races are needed and he would like to see the schedule out by the annual meeting. Josh Wagar stated he likes the schedule but it needs to be clear who sets the schedule. Rick Coombs responded once the schedule is set, it needs to remain the same. Gregg discussed having Saturday rain dates with a Sunday race to make it a double event. Gregg, Doug Benson, Todd Cradlebaugh, and Randy Landes discussed including New Castle on the schedule. John Horn stated 25 bonus points could be added for races at Circleville and New Castle. Randy Potter suggested if OVKA races at New Castle, a local option class with their tires be offered. Gregg recommended having a double event with KRA and OVKA. Reed agreed to contact New Castle Motorsports Park to discuss the feasibility of holding a race there.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS:** Lee McCready discussed pit spot income in relation to EMS expenses. Lynda Coombs reported \$5,996 was expended for EMS/EMT services this past season. McCready responded that results in a loss to the club. McCready explained there needs to be clarification about the date pit spot reservations are to be received noting that this past season there were two different dates on different documents. Tim Reed asked that the pit spot reservation form be included in the annual mailing with the April 1<sup>st</sup> due date.

#### **SHOWS AND PROMOTIONS:**

- Max Viney will coordinate OVKA's participation at the Springfield Car and Parts Show being held Saturday and Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup> at the Clark County Fairgrounds. Set up will be Friday evening. Volunteers are needed to staff the booth and a Kid Kart is needed for display. Viney explained this event is a great opportunity to promote the Swap Meet. Contact Viney to sign up to help.
- Josh Wagar will coordinate OVKA's participation in the Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs at the Duke Energy Center being held January 7 through 9, 2011. Volunteers will be needed to staff the booth and provide karts for display. Contact Wagar for further information.
- Tim Reed reported three OVKA champions will be recognized at the DARF banquet on December 4, 2010 – Michael Fortner, dual champion in Yamaha Junior and KPP Junior; Jamie Williams, Cadet Sportsman champion; and Raymond Brown, TaG champion.

**TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Tim Reed thanked Ray and Steven McKibben and Ted, Dylan and Todd Cradlebaugh for all of their efforts in replacing the windows in the scoring tower. Ray McKibben reported expenses came to \$620.35. Reed said pillows will need to be stored after Thanksgiving. Gary Gregg and Max Viney discussed a few areas of the track that need to be sealed which Viney will assess this weekend. Mike Brown said there are some areas he would like to see filled in with dirt.

**BANQUET COMMITTEE:** Rick Coombs reported banquet preparation is underway. As determined last month, there will be a dance and Gary Gregg will be coordinating a Texas Hold'Em competition during the dance. The annual mailing will go out by mid-month.

**SWAP MEET:** Max Viney reported he has been receiving phone calls weekly about the Swap Meet and he will be getting the mailing out this week. Doug Stempfley offered to email vendors who participated in the former Kart Expo. Viney said volunteers will be needed to staff the gate. The Swap Meet will be held Saturday, February 5, 2011, at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Springfield, Ohio.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**TECH CERTIFICATION:** Mike Brown reported there is no WKA tech certification being offered in our area and asked the board what they want to do. Brown said WKA will bring the training to OVKA if 12 to 15 people register and pay. Gary Gregg stated the training could be offered on the day of the Swap Meet in one of the buildings at the fairgrounds.

**BOARD MEMBER NOMINATION:** Mike Brown motioned to nominate Doug Benson to the OVKA Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Max Viney. Benson will be voted on at the next meeting. Rick Coombs nominated Butch Frey to the OVKA Board of Directors to which Frey declined at this time.

**INDY CIRCLE TRACK SHOW:** Virgil Oatts offered to submit the registration for OVKA's participation in the Indy Circle Track Show being held Saturday, January 29, 2011 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

**SPIRIT FOR RACING:** Virgil Oatts reviewed the success of his community outreach program. He reported he was able to reach out to several youth in Preble County who tested a Clone kart. Oatts has been building a set for a television segment on karting, which will air on a Time Warner cable access channel. He will be looking for guests for the show who can highlight karting.

**CHILI SUPPER:** Mike Brown extended thanks to Drew Young, Melissa Brandon, Tim Reed and the OVKA Board of Directors for their assistance and support of the chili supper held following the last race. Brown reported the event went very well and was a great way to end the season.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Don Boles, seconded by Tim Reed, motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

**NEXT MEETINGS / EVENTS:**

- Springfield Swap Meet & Car Show, Clark County Fairgrounds, Saturday & Sunday, November 13 & 14, 2010, set up Friday evening, November 12, 2010.
- OVKA Monthly Board Meeting – Tuesday, December 7, 2010, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Reyton Inn (formerly Ramada Inn), 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).
- Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show, Duke Energy Center, Friday through Sunday, January 7 through 9, 2011 (move in Wednesday, January 5, 2011).
- OVKA 2010 Banquet, Saturday, January 22, 2011, Kings Island Resort & Conference Center, Mason, OH; Annual Meeting 2:00-3:00 p.m.; Banquet registration opens at 4:00 p.m.
- OVKA Swap Meet, Clark County Fairgrounds, Springfield, OH, Saturday, February 5, 2011.

**SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:**

- Ted Cradlebaugh – Obtain further information from tire distributors.
- Gary Gregg – Contact EMS company; coordinate Texas Hold'Em at the banquet.
- Virgil Oatts – Submit registration for OVKA to participate in the Indy Circle Track Show.
- Tim Reed – Contact New Castle Motorsports Park
- Max Viney – Coordinate OVKA's participation at the Springfield Car and Parts Show being held November 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>; assess need for track sealing; mail Swap Meet reservation forms; coordinate Swap Meet.
- Josh Wagar – Coordinate OVKA's participation in the Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show.

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

**MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT:** D. Benson, S. Benson, C. Bogan, M. Brandon, O. Cohen, L. Coombs, D. Cradlebaugh, Todd Cradlebaugh, B. Frey, S. Hart, J. Horn, G. Kaeser, L. McCready, V. Oatts, Randall Potter and Randy Potter.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 11/20/10.