

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2010**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Tim Reed called the executive session to order at 7:00 p.m. The board discussed additional tire proposal information obtained by Ted Cradlebaugh. Executive session was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER: Tim Reed called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. and welcomed attendees. Reed asked that cell phones be turned off or placed on vibrate and sidebar conversations be taken outside.

SECRETARYS' REPORT: Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the November 2, 2010 board meeting minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Don Boles and passed unanimously.

TREASURERS' REPORT: Tim Reed provided a financial report on behalf of Jason Gregg.

BUSINESS:

2011 TIRES: Ted Cradlebaugh explained four proposals have been received from tire vendors for next year, specifically Russell/Dunlop, Margay/Bridgestone, Burris and MG. Tim Reed stated constructive discussion is needed this evening to get to a decision tonight. Pat Slattery said there is a need to know the criteria including the best tire and the best offer. Randy Vermillion responded it is not just the best package but what is the best tire for the club. Reed stated they are all pretty similar. He further stated it all comes down to construction and durability. John Horn asked if there were questions about the tire testing that was conducted. Horn said they did not look at who was fastest but rather durability, repeatability and consistency. He explained Steve Rumsey came up with a point system that was clean, clear and concise and he wished the tires were here this evening for everyone to see. Cradlebaugh inquired if they looked at how to set up the Burris tires to which Horn replied they did not. Vermillion stated while he did not know about the testing, he thought the data looked great. Slattery said lap times should not be considered to which Reed responded they are not. Don Boles stated the Bridgestone compound is going to be changing. Mike Brown noted the people involved in the testing are not here this evening and expressed concern about the Burris tires having been made for this test and not coming from a warehouse where they cure. Horn discussed issues with consistency of the MG tires when transitioning between old and new pavement. Slattery responded as a dealer he was told there is a lack of availability of MG tires. Brown suggested allowing one junior class to run the WKA tire. Cradlebaugh explained Mr. Russell said SL4s are guaranteed to be available for two years with three years likely and if OVKA wants to continue longer, he could do so. Doug Benson reported he talked with Mr. Russell who said it is based on supply and demand and OVKA buys enough for the factory to continue producing. Randy Landes pointed out the homologation period is three years. Horn discussed the club being a feeder for the regionals and nationals and why not try to align. Vermillion stated he agrees to an extent but the club needs to look at the whole 120 entries as not all of them have the ability to go to regionals and nationals. Benson asked what is wanted in a tire to which Reed responded longevity. Reed discussed being able to pull racers from KRA and WKA and believes we'll pick up entries. Max Viney pointed out that a softer compound results in having to purchase more tires. Brown suggested a whole year of testing. Gary Gregg made a motion we go with Bridgestone tires with the compound to be determined, hopefully, we will follow WKA guidelines. Reed said this is too ambiguous. Slattery explained WKA's determination could be after Kershaw in March. Following discussion, Gregg withdrew the motion. Horn made a motion to align with the WKA spec tire for 2011. The motion was seconded by Mike Brown. Boles expressed concern about voting on an unknown to which Cradlebaugh and Josh Wagar agreed. Horn said WKA will put a lot of time and thought into the decision. The motion was voted on and failed with eight opposed and three in favor (Roll call: Brown-yes, Coombs-no, Cradlebaugh-no, Gregg-yes, Landes-no, McKibben-no, Stempfley-yes, Vermillion-no, Viney-no, Wagar-no, Boles-no). Max Viney made a motion to run Dunlop SL4s for 2011 with TaG and Kid Karts open the same as in the past. The motion was seconded by Ray McKibben and passed with seven in favor and four opposed (Roll call: Coombs-yes, Cradlebaugh-yes, Gregg-no, Landes-yes, McKibben-yes, Stempfley-no, Vermillion-no, Viney-yes, Wagar-yes, Boles-yes, Brown-no). Mike Brown made a motion we allow the KPP Junior class to run the WKA spec tire for 2011. The motion was seconded by Ray McKibben. Slattery inquired why not allow all juniors or they will have to buy two different tires. Following discussion, Brown withdrew his motion. John Horn made a motion to allow the 2011 WKA spec tire for all Junior Yamaha and KPP Juniors. The motion was seconded by Gary Gregg. Reed said we will need to check with Mr. Russell to which Brown responded Mr. Russell said he doesn't care. Ray McKibben disagreed explaining Russell's understanding was other tires were allowed for only visitors who DQ at the end of the day. McKibben, seconded by Gary Gregg, amended Horn's motion that it be pending Russell's approval. Following discussion,

McKibben withdrew his amendment. Horn's motion was then voted on and failed with six opposed, three in favor and one abstained (Roll call: Gregg-yes, Landes-no, McKibben-no, Stempfley-no, Vermillion-yes, Viney-no, Wagar-abstained, Boles-no, Brown-yes, Coombs-no. Note: Tim Reed departed the meeting due to work resulting in Ted Cradlebaugh serving as a tiebreaker only). Mike Brown made a motion to allow KPP Junior to run the WKA spec tire only. The motion was seconded by Randy Vermillion and passed with six in favor and four opposed (Roll call: Landes-yes, McKibben-yes, Stempfley-no, Vermillion-yes, Viney-no, Wagar-no, Boles-no, Brown-yes, Coombs-yes, Gregg-yes).

CLASS STRUCTURE: John Horn inquired if the rulebook allows for a local option class. Mike Brown responded it has to be a class within WKA and we have to have WKA's approval.

OVKA.COM: Ray McKibben explained the club's domain name has been under the ownership of a previous member and it needs to be transferred out of his name. Ted Cradlebaugh and Gary Gregg said they are fine with McKibben taking on this responsibility.

GOOGLE ADS: Ray McKibben discussed Google ads for the Swap Meet. Gary Gregg voiced agreement to continue with these ads.

AMBULANCE REPORT: Gary Gregg explained he contacted Gratis EMS who assured him no one collected money from our racers. A receipt will be needed to pursue this further. John Horn noted he received a bill for services rendered to which Mike Brown said that was for transport. Brown will follow up regarding a receipt from the racer's family.

FLAGS: Ray McKibben reported he dropped off the flags that were in need of repair and they will be mailed to him.

2011 SCHEDULE: Ted Cradlebaugh explained Tim Reed talked with Mike at New Castle and it does not sound like they have room for us. Cradlebaugh will follow up on this further. Cradlebaugh said finalizing the schedule will depend on who the President is and a schedule will be ready for the Swap Meet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SPONSORSHIPS/PIT SPOTS: Lee McCready explained Gary Gregg sponsored the kart retrieval vehicle and golf kart this past season. John Horn provided information about an electric vehicle with a charger and said a gas option is being looked into. Melissa Brandon asked who will maintain the vehicle to which Cradlebaugh said he will take the responsibility.

SHOWS & PROMOTIONS:

- Max Viney thanked Randy Vermillion for bringing a Sportsman Yamaha and Kid Mart to the Springfield Car and Parts Show. He also thanked Don Boles for volunteering at the event on both Saturday and Sunday. Viney said the show had a good turnout on Saturday and a lot of Swap Meet flyers were distributed. Viney provided future dates, which are May 27-29, 2011, September 9-11, 2011 and November 12-13, 2011. Ted Cradlebaugh extended thanks to Viney, Vermillion and Boles.
- Josh Wagar discussed the upcoming Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show being held at the Duke Energy Center January 7 through 9, 2011.
- Lynda Coombs reported the Indy Circle Track Show will be held Saturday, January 29, 2011 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE: Ted Cradlebaugh explained crash bags will need to be taken up. Gary Gregg suggested waiting a week or so due to the cold weather. Max Viney reported one 55-gallon drum of crack sealer will be needed.

BANQUET COMMITTEE: Rick Coombs reported he learned a lower rate of \$59 was being offered online for rooms at the Kings Island Resort and Conference Center. Upon contacting the resort, they have lowered their rate further to \$55 per night plus taxes. Coombs provided information from the Marriott Hotel who would like our business. Their room rate is \$105 per night and meal price is \$38 for adults/\$25 for children. Ted Cradlebaugh suggested checking into it. John Horn shared information about the Ramada Plaza Hotel on Wagoner Ford Road. Ray McKibben asked that all sponsors provide him with a high-resolution picture for the plaques.

SWAP MEET: Max Viney reported the Swap Meet mailing went out last week. Randy Landes suggested advertising in Auto Trader magazines, which can be found in grocery stores. Viney will check into this. Doug Stempfley sent an email to vendors who had participated in Kart Expo.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

RACE DAY FORMAT: Pat Slattery asked if the rulebook is frozen to which Ted Cradlebaugh said it is. Rick Coombs explained a motion can be made to open the rulebook by someone on the winning side. Slattery said he would like to see if there is interest in a winner-take-all format. He said he is not asking for more qualifying. Cradlebaugh tabled the matter until next month.

AGENDA ITEMS: Mike Brown said not a single item out of four he has turned in have been discussed. Lynda Coombs responded the agenda is given to her. Ted Cradlebaugh said a by-laws change may have to be made to allow for an open agenda.

BOARD MEMBERS: Gary Gregg discussed having three board members elected by the general members so the membership feels they have a little more say. Gregg made a motion to change the by-laws to increase to sixteen board members and allow three board members to be elected at the January general membership meeting for a three-year term. In the event they quit, the remainder of their term would be filled at the next general membership meeting. The core thirteen to remain the same and be generated as they have been in the past. Don Boles amended the motion to be a one-year term. Josh Wagar said he does not see the logic in having two different tiers of board members. Melissa Brandon asked why not make them come to three meetings. Due to the lack of a second, the motion died. Ted Cradlebaugh pointed out that board members are also general members and those persons who show up are able to be nominated to the board. John Horn stated there are people on the board he feels shouldn't be and if they can't make it to races, they should not be on the board. Boles said he has never seen a person turned down for a board position when they have been showing up. John Horn made a motion to remove the entire board and allow the membership to nominate the board members with a three-year term. Due to the lack of a second, the motion died. Mike Brown, seconded by Ted Cradlebaugh, made a motion to establish committees as follows:

Administrative Committee

This committee reports directly to the Board of Directors.

This committee will be made up of (3 Board Members, 1 Officer, and 2 Employees).

This committee will cover issues that pertain to administrative operations on race days.

1. Tower (Set up and taken down).
2. Registration (Set up and taken down).
3. Scoring.
4. Sales/Promotion Items (Set up and taken down).
 - # Board Members, (Rick Coombs, Ray McKibben, Randy J. Vermillion), Officer Secretary (Lynda Coombs).
 - * Employees, (Tower staff).
 - * General members, (John Doe, Jane Doe).

Service Committee

This committee reports directly to the Board of Directors.

This committee will be made up of (4 Board Members, and 2 Members seeking nomination).

1. Radios (Charged, issued, returned and repairs).
2. Transponders (Charged, issued, returned and repairs).
3. PA system (Working).
4. Retriever Vehicle charged and Golf cart filled.
5. Scales (Put up and put down).
6. Flags (Put up and taken down).
7. Lights.
8. Fuel tank reading and amount in tank and Generator fuel checked and reported.
9. Crows nest (unlocked and locked).
 - # Board Members, (Don Boles, Gary Gregg, Max Viney, Josh Wagar). Officer President (Tim Reed).
 - Employee, (Fuel pump attendant).
 - * General members, (John Doe, Jane Doe).

Race Day Committee

This committee reports directly to the Board of Directors.

This committee will be made up of (3 Board Members, 1 Officer, 1 Employee and 2 Members seeking nomination).

1. Track worker assignments.
2. Race day run order.
3. Classes to be combined.
4. Number of laps to be run on race day.
5. Track configuration safety.
6. Tech and Paint.
7. Protest.
8. Track clean and cones in place.

Board Members, (Mike Brown, Randy Landes, Doug Stempfley). Officer VP, (Ted Cradlebaugh).
Employee (Race Director).

* General members, (John Doe, Jane Doe).

* Members helping on committees are where we as a club get our nominations for the Board of Directors.

* Members missing 4 or more race events will be disqualified as a Board of Directors nominee.

Board members missing 4 or more OVKA race events or functions (excluding drops) in addition to BoD meeting requirements as outlined in the by-laws will be subject to removal from the Board of Directors. Pat Slattery inquired if this would be the only way a person could get on the board to which Brown responded yes and they would serve on a committee for one year. Randy Vermillion asked who would make committee assignments. Brown replied that would be handled by the President. Ray McKibben amended the motion they must be a member in good standing to be voted to the committees. The amendment was seconded by Ted Cradlebaugh and passed with nine in favor and one abstained (Boles). The motion was then voted on and failed with seven opposed and three in favor (Roll call: Stempfley-no, Vermillion-no, Viney-no, Wagar-no, Boles-no, Brown-yes, Coombs-no, Gregg-yes, Landes-yes, McKibben-no).

OFFICERS: John Horn nominated Mike Brown for Vice President to which Brown accepted. Ray McKibben nominated Ted Cradlebaugh for President. Cradlebaugh responded it depends on what Tim Reed is doing, if he is not running, Cradlebaugh will accept the nomination. Brown made a motion officer elections have to open and close all positions before the vote. The motion was seconded by Randy Vermillion and passed with eight in favor and two opposed (Roll call: Viney-yes, Wagar-yes, Boles-yes, Brown-yes, Coombs-yes, Gregg-no, Landes-yes, McKibben-yes, Stempfley-no, Vermillion-yes). Rick Coombs, seconded by Randy Vermillion, made a motion that nominations and voting take place in order of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The motion passed with nine in favor and one opposed (Viney).

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Don Boles, seconded by Josh Wagar, motioned to adjourn to executive session at 10:26 p.m.

BOARD MEMBER: Doug Benson provided insight to his previous resignation from the board. Having been nominated last month, Benson was voted unanimously to the OVKA Board of Directors.

ADJOURNMENT: Don Boles, seconded by Rick Coombs, motioned to adjourn executive session at 10:40 p.m.

NEXT MEETINGS / EVENTS:

- OVKA Monthly Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 4, 2011, 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.
- Indy Circle Track Show, Saturday, January 29, 2011, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN.
- OVKA Swap Meet, Clark County Fairgrounds, Springfield, OH, Saturday, February 5, 2011.

SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:

- Mike Brown – Follow up on receipt for services rendered by EMS staff.
- Ted Cradlebaugh – Follow up regarding potential New Castle event.
- John Horn – Provide additional information regarding a kart retrieval vehicle and golf kart.
- Max Viney – Check into advertising the Swap Meet in Auto Trader magazines, 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, H. Cradlebaugh, Todd Cradlebaugh, D. Frank, B. Frey, R. Harris, J. Horn, L. McCready, D. Newberry, P. Slattery and G. Welage.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 12/16/10.