#### OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** President, Ted Cradlebaugh, called the executive session to order at 6:36 p.m. The board reviewed and discussed the second draft of the 2011 OVKA rulebook.

**WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER:** Ted Cradlebaugh called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m., welcomed everyone and asked that cell phone be turned off or placed on vibrate.

**SECRETARYS' REPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the March 1, 2011 board meeting minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Josh Wagar and passed unanimously.

**TREASURERS' REPORT:** Gary Gregg provided a financial report on behalf of Jason Gregg and explained funds will need to be transferred from the savings to the checking account.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**PRE-TECH REQUIREMENTS:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported pre-tech is required at each individual OVKA event per WKA.

**DRIVING SCHOOL:** Ted Cradlebaugh explained the driving school will be coordinated by Josh Wagar and volunteers will be needed to assist. Cradlebaugh said he would like to see all Kid karters attend this event. Wagar noted the event will be held from noon until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, 2011 and the cost will be \$15.00. Contact Wagar to sign up to help.

**KARTING 101:** Ted Cradlebaugh discussed the purpose of Karting 101 is to provide workers, tower staff and new racers an opportunity to prepare for the racing season. Cradlebaugh said the same format will be used as last year and will be posted on the OVKA web site.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS:** Lee McCready reported pit spot reservations have been coming in slowly. Pit spot revenue may fall short in covering ambulance expenses. Randy Vermillion offered to assist McCready in monitoring pit spots this season. Ted Cradlebaugh discussed offering a one-day rate for reserved spots that have not been filled. Consensus was to charge \$20 per day for these spots. McCready anticipates having close to fourteen sponsors including a new one that resulted from the Circle Track Show.

**TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Ted Cradlebaugh discussed moving forward with restroom improvement planning once clean-up day is over. Cradlebaugh reported Gary Gregg has made a commitment to fund half of restroom improvements. Monies generated from 50/50 drawings have been allocated toward this project. Duane Frank offered to help with this project.

**SHOWS & PROMOTIONS:** Mike Brown reported how successful the Piqua Show was over four-and-a-half days. Brown explained some volunteers did not show up resulting in others spending twelve hours every day staffing the show booth. Brown thanked Suzi Brown and Melissa Brandon for all of their time volunteering for this show. Randy Vermillion extended thanks to all of the people who helped with the DARF Show as volunteers and providing karts. Ted Cradlebaugh has asked Lee McCready to sign the club up to participate in the

Lebanon Blues Festival being held Saturday, August 6, 2011; hours are 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; admission is free. Brown said he would like to see the club participate in the Black Walnut Festival in Camden in October. Vermillion said he does not think there is a need to have a video monitor for shows due to the absence of electric at many of the shows. He would like to see the show booth photos updated, in addition to updating the banner with the new logo. Doug Benson reported Ray McKibben is working on repairing the oldest laptop, which could be used for a video display. Melissa Brandon said she noticed people were not looking at video displays at the Piqua Show. Cradlebaugh said he looks for monitors when visiting shows. Josh Wagar said he would like to see the club move ahead with purchasing a monitor for shows. Lynda Coombs discussed the capability of the Lightning timing software in providing information that could be displayed by external monitors at the track.

**SWAP MEET:** Ray McKibben discussed contacting vendors who had previously participated in Kart Expo. Doug Benson is heading up outreach efforts to invite more potential vendors to the Swap Meet. Mike Brown suggested inviting USAC and Young Guns. Benson discussed the importance of getting started on this.

### OLD BUSINESS:

**REGISTRATION COMPUTER:** Lynda Coombs reported she continues to research laptops and plans to have a determination made soon.

**CLEAN-UP DAY:** Ted Cradlebaugh said he hopes everyone will come out to help at clean-up day. Shovels, rakes and weed trimmers will be needed. Cradlebaugh reported the deck outside the tower will be moved to a different location. Power washing and sealing will be done on a different day.

**USE OF PARTICIPATION CREDITS FOR 2011:** Lynda Coombs asked that if there is going to be a change in policy regarding participation credits, the decision be made tonight so it can go into the 2011 rule book. A motion was made by Rick Coombs, seconded by josh Wagar, to accept the proposed participation credit policy:

- Maximum Ps that can be used per racer is two per class;
- The two Ps can be earned by the racer or donated to the racer from anyone else;
- For Ps in excess of the two and for non-racing P recipients, one ticket provided for each P which can be entered into prize drawings at the banquet:
  - a) These Ps cannot be transferred among individuals;
  - b) Must be present at the banquet to enter prize drawings;
  - c) Three levels for P drawings: 1-5 Ps; 6-11Ps; 12 Ps and above;
  - d) Can win only one P drawing prize.

The motion passed with eleven in favor and one opposed (Landes).

**REAR BUMPER:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported WKA has approved OVKA to allow the old style bumper through race number three. Full rear tire protection must be used by race four. Mike Brown reported WKA was to issue a rule today about the CIK bumper.

**2011 RULE BOOK:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported the board has been working on the 2011 rulebook and reviewed changes during executive session. Lynda Coombs explained the attorney reviewed proposed wording for 304.2 who noted if something is slanderous, it is slanderous regardless of whether the rulebook says it is also a violation. Further rulebook review will take place at the end of tonight's meeting.

**TECH CERTIFICATION:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported Mike Brown and John Horn successfully passed WKA tech certification examinations.

**OVKA BY-LAWS:** Lynda Coombs provided a draft of the revised OVKA by-laws as reviewed by legal counsel. Coombs noted an area of concern in Article IV, #9, which includes wording "with or without cause". Consensus of the board was to use "with cause" only. Coombs will follow up with the attorney about this. She asked if there was need for a provision about calling executive sessions. Ted Cradlebaugh responded the by-laws provide for the President to call any special meeting.

**DIRECTORS & OFFICERS INSURANCE:** John Horn provided insurance quotes he obtained for higher D & O insurance limits. Horn will compare policies and inform the board. Ted Cradlebaugh thanked Horn for his assistance with this.

**WORKER POSITIONS / REIMBURSEMENT FOR 2011:** Mike Brown reported he and Ted Cradlebaugh are still working on a worker reimbursement structure. Don Boles inquired if worker positions are being eliminated to which Cradlebaugh confirmed they are. Rick Coombs asked if the daily worker expenses will be going up. Cradlebaugh said it would be and explained this expense is split between the club and Gary Gregg. Lynda Coombs reviewed the three-tier reimbursement structure that has been in place. Boles questioned cutting workers and increasing overall reimbursement expenses. Brown explained workers would only receive one-half of the reimbursement in the event of a rainout. Cradlebaugh tabled the matter until next month with a determination to use last year's reimbursement structure for Karting 101.

**KART RETRIEVAL VEHICLES:** Ted Cradlebaugh shared information about a kart retrieval vehicle and golf kart available for sale. Cradlebaugh made a motion to purchase these vehicles at a cost of \$3,850. The motion was seconded by Doug Benson and passed unanimously. Cradlebaugh will contact Jimmy Jammz Motorsports to arrange for return of the old vehicles.

**GATE:** Ted Cradlebaugh made a motion to appropriate \$510.03 for a gate for the grid entrance to the track. The motion was seconded by Ray McKibben and passed with ten in favor, one opposed (Coombs), and one abstained (Boles).

### **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**ONE CALL NOW:** Mike Brown discussed a message notification system that could inform OVKA members in the event a race needs to be cancelled. Dwight Newberry said he uses this for baseball games. Lynda Coombs reported there is a system that will also send text message notifications. Pat Slattery responded he thinks this is a good idea. John Horn asked how 100% participation would be achieved. Ted Cradlebaugh said cancelling races would require a change to the rules. No action was taken.

**OVKA WEB SITE:** Ray McKibben discussed updating the web site software and how a reduction in monthly cost could be achieved. McKibben explained about improvements he is making to sponsorship face time on the web site. Rick Coombs made a motion to appropriate \$200 to update the web site. The motion was seconded by Josh Wagar and passed unanimously.

**FUEL GAUGE:** Mike Brown presented three price quotes he has obtained for a Digatron fuel gauge. John Horn noted cyclohexane will also be needed. Carlson Bogan inquired about meter settings. Ted Cradlebaugh explained there will need to be different samples. Don Boles made a motion to appropriate up to \$600 for a Digatron fuel gauge and cyclohexane. The motion was seconded by Rick Coombs and passed unanimously.

**QUALIFYING EVENTS:** Kevin Pesek asked for clarification about winner-take-all events. Randy Vermillion responded they are noted on the schedule.

HELMET STICKERS: Max Viney reported helmet stickers have been ordered.

**ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Josh Wagar, seconded by Don Boles, motioned to adjourn to executive session at 9:38 p.m.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**BOARD MEMBER VOTE:** Having been nominated last month, Lee McCready was voted unanimously to the OVKA Board of Directors.

**2011 RULE BOOK:** Discussion of changes for the rulebook continued. Recommendations were reviewed item by item with consensus to finalize the 2011 rulebook. Josh Wagar will take care of having rulebooks printed once editing is complete.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT:** The executive session was adjourned at 11:11 p.m.

# NEXT MEETINGS / EVENTS:

- OVKA Monthly Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2011, Reyton Inn, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).
- Lebanon Blues Festival, Saturday, August 6, 2011, 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; admission is free.

# SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:

- Doug Benson Coordinate contacting former Kart Expo vendors and other potential vendors to promote 2012 OVKA Swap Meet.
- Don Boles Assist with outreach to vendors to promote 2012 OVKA Swap Meet.
- Mike Brown Work with Ted Cradlebaugh on worker positions and reimbursement structure.
- Lynda Coombs Follow up with attorney regarding by-laws; complete rulebook editing.
- Ted Cradlebaugh Work with Mike Brown on worker positions and reimbursement structure; contact Jimmy Jammz Motorsports regarding return of old vehicles.
- John Horn Compare D & O insurance policies and inform board.
- Lee McCready Submit registration for OVKA to participate in the Lebanon Blues Festival.
- Max Viney Assist with outreach to vendors to promote 2012 OVKA Swap Meet.
- Josh Wagar Obtain information about the Cincinnati Concourse d'Elegance Show; have 2011 rule books printed.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Benson, Boles, Brown, Coombs, Cradlebaugh, Gregg, Horn, Landes, McKibben, Newberry, Vermillion, Viney, and Wagar.

**MEMBERS** / **VISITORS PRESENT:** S. Benson, C. Bogan, M. Brandon, O. Cohen, L. Coombs, D. Cradlebaugh, Todd Cradlebaugh, D. Frank, B. Frey, L. McCready, V. Oatts, P. Slattery, and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 4/24/11.