

VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2014

Vice President Ernie Shores called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM EDT

Roll call by Secretary Figone:

Board members in attendance:

Ernie Shores	Vice President
Louie Figone	Secretary
Jim Donovan	Treasurer
Pearl Gamble	Executive Director
Jim Thompson	
Dean Kossaras	
Rick Chapman	



Board members absent:

Jeff Campbell	President
Jack Murray	
Lake Speed	

Guests present:

Rolf Hill	VKA FirstTurn Newsletter/Magazine
Bill McCornack	

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

No report

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Secretary Figone: The minutes are out, I have had two responses, are there any corrections to be made.

Director Thompson: I make a motion to accept the minutes as sent.

Director Donovan: I second the motion.

Vice President Shores: A motion has been made and seconded, all in favor of accepting the minutes as sent say aye, all opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Donovan: The ending balance for August was \$11,559.85 which is the beginning balance for September, we had 5 renewals for \$185.00, and we had \$200.00 from New Castle and \$160.00 from Camden from the 50/50 drawings for a total income of \$545.00 for the month of September. The outflow for September was \$289.25 for printing of the newsletter, \$320.00 reimbursement for postage to Dean Kossaras for the VKA survey for a total expense for September of \$609.25 which leaves us with a September balance of \$11,495.60.

Vice President Shores: I make a motion to accept the treasurer's report as submitted.

Director Chapman: I second the motion.

Vice President Shores: all in favor of accepting the treasurer's report as submitted say aye, all opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes.

WEBSITE REPORT:

No report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Director Thompson: We have 268 full members and 44 associate members for a total of 312 members. We fluctuate up and down approx. 20 members, depending on the time of the year. Our membership is staying very consistent.

Bill McCornack: I would like to introduce our new staff to the board. My wife Mary Jo and I are passing on the membership and newsletter mailings to Bill Bloodsworth out of Arlington Texas, the transition has taken place.

SAFETY REPORT:

Director Kossaras: I am not going to talk about safety tonight; I want to talk about the VKA survey and the rules committee meeting. We had roughly 126 responses to the survey. 35% have been in vintage karting for 9 or more years, 15% between one and two year, 22% between three and four years, 15% between five and six years. 35% attend five or more events in a year. The number one event that people run in is 6.1 Rear, 6.1 Sidewinder was next then the Mac 49 class. The most popular tracks were New Castle, Barnesville, Brodhead and Riverside. The respondents also want at least four weeks between events. They also want another California event. About half of the respondents are retired. 21% are still doing modern karting. After I review the survey again I will send the results to Rolf, I am still receiving surveys.

Ernie, will you talk about the rules committee meeting?

Vice President Shores: We went over class structure; a couple members do not want the 820 engine in the Sportsman Rear class, so Sportsman Rear will be any American 6.1 engine. It was discussed the Sportsman Sidewinder class will stay the same with allowing the 820 with a single HL carburetor; this was a discussion item only.

Director Figone: I don't want us to keep changing rules.

Vice President Shores: This is what the members want so we are going to try it to see how it goes

Director Figone: I see in the Sportsman Sidewinder you are calling out "Factory V4 intake", this is making this a McCulloch only class.

Director Thompson: In the guidelines we keep referring to Stock Appearing, I had everyone calling me; in the VKA guidelines we do not have a Stock Appearing class.

Director Kossaras: Maybe that's what we should call it

Vice President Shores: We are going to have another Guidelines meeting to clean everything up. I don't think this is going to upset anyone.

Rolf Hill: I agree with Louie on not changing the rules every year but if we move an engine to another class then I think we will be ok. If we make small changes that don't cost the members anything but may move them to another class would seem to be ok.

JUDGING REPORT:

No report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Gamble: I need to get a race date from Jim Thompson for Delmar.

Director Thompson: September 25th and 26th of next year but we have a conflict with Quincy so we may need to change our date.

Bill McCornick: Quincy does not want a September date anymore; they want to move it up in the season.

Director Gamble: Before we do anything the board wants to do away with two race tracks. I took Whiteland and Quincy off the schedule. I will let the board decide to put them back on. I need to figure out what to do with Quincy. Ed Shagian puts on Jacksonville and he wants to move his event to January.

Bill McCornack: We have seven mid-west events if we include Quincy. I looked at the 2015 calendar; I know the members want at least four weeks between events which is hard to do with this schedule.

Director Thompson: I make a motion we keep Quincy in the program.

Director Kossaras: I second the motion.

Vice President Shores: We have a motion and a second, any other discussion? No more discussion, all in favor say aye, opposed say nay. Director Chapman abstained. The ayes have it, the motion passes.

Director Gamble: I will go ahead and get the 2015 schedule out.

NEWSLETTER REPORT:

Rolf Hill: I don't have anything; I have been busy with my 50th class reunion. Do not worry; the newsletter will be out on time.

ENDURO REPORT:

Director Chapman: Right now not much going on. I would like to see the enduro karts be allowed to run at the vintage sprint events with their own class.

Bill McCornack: That would be a promoter's option.

Director Chapman: I would like to see it put in the VKA guidelines program so that people would realize that they can take their enduro kart to a sprint event.

Director Kossaras: This is something we will take to the rules committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Chapman: I have an issue with some of the front bumpers.

Director Kossaras: I think I know what Rick is talking about, it is the karts without front bumpers; their feet are just hanging out there. We have a lot of karts with a front porch out there without a front bumper. This is something we will take to the rules committee.

Rolf Hill: The calendars may be iffy for 2015; I have been having problems with my printer.

Bill McCornack: Go to a printer and have them do it.

Vice President Shores: If there is no more new business I am adjourning the meeting, it is 9:16 PM EDT.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Figone.