

**IKF Board of Directors
Executive Director
Phone Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 4, 2004**

The IKF Board of Directors and Executive Director met via telephone conference on Thursday, March 4, 2004 at 5PM (PST). Meeting was called to order by President McMillan. President McMillan appointed Executive Director Swiggart to chair the meeting. Present at roll call were Executive Director Mr. Brad Swiggart, Directors Mr. Jim McMillan, Mr. Syd White, Mr. Jack Hoegerl, Mr. Jack Lehmann, Mrs. Debbie Kuntze, Mr. Doug Cole, Mr. Bill Hilger, Mr. Tim Doll, and IKF Office Manager, Pat Eldridge. Director Mr. John Podlesni was not present at the meeting.

Computer/Website Update

Swiggart states that all new Dell computer equipment has been installed in the IKF Office. DSL now available for all office staff. States that Mr. Chuck Tate of Lakefront Technologies is the new IKF website contact. Swiggart asks that current race photos be sent to Mr. Tate for the website. Swiggart explains requested and expected changes to the website in the future. Postings in the future will be done by the IKF office staff. Swiggart will continue to work with Mr. Tate on website matters.

White asks that the 2004 race schedules be posted on the IKF website without delay and updating needs to be done on Tech and Rule Updates on the website. Swiggart states that once the Minutes are approved and posted, they cannot be changed. Discussion by Board at Spring meeting to review the posting and effective dates of tech updates on website.

Official Pit Pass

Discussion by Board regarding the official pit passes for Governors, Coordinators and Committee Members. Clarification that the official pit pass is not a driver's pass. If an official pit pass holder is a driver at any event, they must pay the driver fees, be assigned an IKF wristband, and sign the Release and Waiver of Liability forms. If they attend as a non-driver, they must sign the Release and Waiver of Liability forms on the worker sheets.

Regional Championship Races/Punch Race Clarification

Swiggart states that punch only races were for special type events only, such as a Friday event before a Grand National, giving the participant an opportunity to obtain their third

GN punch. States that, in the past, they have never let a region have punch only races that did not have a regional program. There has been confusion regarding a punch race and a regional race in the past. Cautions about this type of arrangement. Kuntze clarifies that the three Region 7 Road Races for 2004 are regional races, with sanction fees to the IKF, matching funds for SCK, punches, points and earned regional jackets for the participants. Swiggart suggest that the events be advertised as Regional Championship (Grand National punch race).

2004 Grand National Update

Swiggart suggests that the Directors in Charge of the 2004 Grand Nationals contact the host club/track now regarding articles, sponsorship, and expected personnel. Swiggart states that he and others with prior experience in this area will be glad to help.

There has been no awarding of the 2004 Shifter Grand National to date. Any information regarding this will be posted on the website and in our magazine.

Hoegerl inquires about Grand National photographers. Swiggart states that he has made a deal with Terry Humphrey and Jeremy Fair. Mr. Fair will take the photos and write the article for the 4 Cycle Speedway Grand National. Swiggart asks for recommendations for photographers and persons to write the Grand National articles.

White states that in the February 2004 issue of Karter News, in the Tech and Rule Book Updates, Section 213.4 Approved Local Option Class(es) for the 2004 2-Cycle Sprint Grand Nationals was printed in error. This was not approved by the Board. States that this should be immediately removed from the book, posted on the website and a retraction done. McMillan states that he does not know if this was intended to be a class for the Grand National. White states that this is a regional option class. Board asks Doll, Director in Charge, to contact the host club regarding this matter immediately and report findings to the Board and IKF office. Update: Above class was approved by the IKF Board of Directors for the 2004 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National by fax poll vote on March 17, 2004. Clarification: Engine Sonik SL125 to be removed from Section 213.4 and Section 311 Class #13.

Financial Matters

Kuntze requests to see IKF financial information, including the Profit and Loss report and Balance Sheet. Swiggart states that this information is discussed at the Board meetings and suggests that she speak with current IKF Treasurers regarding this matter.

Internet Postings by IKF Directors and Officers

Swiggart reminds Board to be very discretionary regarding Internet postings. McMillan states that the Board made a decision last year that no postings would be done by current Board members on the Internet unless it was absolutely necessary. Discussion regarding Internet postings and private emails by Directors and others reconfirmed that Directors should refrain from posting in public forums.

Director Cole exits the meeting at 6PM.

Mid Year Rule Changes

Swiggart states that the Board agreed for the last two years that, unless it was a safety issue or a rule clarification that was necessary, no rule changes would be made during the year. States that unless the Board wants to change that, when approached with rule changes, a person in leadership capacity needs to advise them that, although a good idea, changes cannot be done until the next year. Kuntze states that a paragraph was deleted from the rulebook. White states that the Board deleted the paragraph at the October 2003 meeting. Swiggart reminds everyone to be careful regarding these matters.

White asks for Kuntze's recommendation regarding the safety issue of no front brakes.

Kuntze feels that it is not a safety issue; feels it is a competitive issue for Sprint more than Road Race. Kuntze states that a lot of people perceive it as a comfort factor.

Discussion by Board regarding front brakes. White states that it was a mistake in the 2003 Rulebook. Swiggart states difficulty of making rule changes at mid year. Lehmann states that classes must be run according to the IKF Rulebook or they are not insured.

White asks if the TaGs will be able to run in the 125/150cc Open class with no front brakes at the Grand National this year. Lehmann states that dual brakes are mandatory in the 125/150cc Open class. White states that an announcement needs to be made to that effect in the rulebook because this is a different ruling than last year. Swiggart states that this should also be included in the Grand National ad. McMillan states that the class must be run according to the rulebook. Swiggart asks for Motion to address this. Swiggart states that it will take a Super Majority vote of the Board to change this and there is not a Super Majority present at this meeting. No action can be taken at this time.

Regional Classes/Regional Events

Swiggart states that he has received phone calls regarding regional classes not offered at regional events, where they want punches for the Nationals. States that currently the rulebook identifies how to handle this, the karter show ups at the regional race with a kart ready to race, if the class isn't offered, they pay 50%, and the karter receives a punch.

White states that he has spoken with Ron Emmick about this. Discussion by Board regarding status of National Cup class and Masters class. Paperwork must be submitted to the IKF Office for approval of the class. Discussion by Board of class approval procedures. Hoegerl states that his understanding is that if one Committee Chair does not approve the class, it is not approved for running. Rules can be resubmitted for approval.

White states that his understanding is the only reason not to approve a class is if it is not safe. Hoegerl agrees. Discussion on timing and information supplied for approval. The Board is receiving approval requests at last minute and inadequate information is being given. Discussion re: 85cc TaG Junior motor. White states that IKF members can have input on what they want to run. Hoegerl states that a club wants to run the Puma class at their local club races. McMillan clarifies that all class approval requests must also be submitted to the IKF President. Hoegerl asks that the club resubmit the request for the Puma class. Discussion by Board of Nor-Cal classes currently not offered at their events. Swiggart adds that the rulebook states what will happen unless you can convince the club to run the classes. White states that they are requesting to run a TaG Masters class, as a local option, to be run on the schedule at Region 11. Discussion by Board regarding

regional programs working with Regional Coordinators and Governors. White will advise Ron Emmick to submit the local option class for approval to the IKF office.

Committee Members Attendance at Spring Meeting

Swiggart suggests that a \$100 stipend be offered to the 2004 IKF Committee Members to assist them in attending the Spring Board Meeting. States that tracks bidding on the Grand Nationals attend this meeting and proposals for the 2005 Rulebook are done at this meeting. Feels that this would be beneficial for the Committee Members and the Board. Motion by White: Motion to send a letter to the 2004 IKF Committee Members and offer them a \$100 stipend to attend the 2004 Spring Meeting.

Second by Doll.

In Favor: Hoegerl, Lehmann, White, Doll, Hilger, Kuntze,
Passed

Swiggart will help with the letter.

Swiggart was contacted by Ed Peterson regarding his questionnaire for the 2005 4 Cycle Speedway Grand National, received in the IKF office in February 2004. This paperwork will be included in the 2004 Spring meeting.

Motion for adjournment by Doll. Second by White. Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.