IKF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 19-20, 2008 ** Sacramento, CA

Directors in attendance: Jack Hoegerl, Gary Richter, Don Holmboe, Bill Hilger, John Motley, Mike Schorn, Rick Scribner, Art Verlengiere. Absent: Don St. Ours

Members and guests in attendance: (Saturday) Janet Scribner, Ed Diederich, Dan Pellizzari, Chris Scribner, Brian Rivera, Sharon Barros, Charley Hill, Terry Ives, David Snyder, Carrie Snyder, Elizabeth Carroll, Cal Tschetter, Maria Sanchez.

Financial Report

Hoegerl presented overview of financial statements. Although 2008 income is currently down from the same period in 2007, IKF is showing a slight profit.

2009 Grandnational Bid Presentations

Note: The rotation order will be as follows:

	2009	2010	2011
2 Cycle Sprint	Region 11	Region 6	Region 7
4 Cycle Sprint	West	Midwest	Northwest
4 Cycle Spdwy	Midwest	Midwest	Other
2 Cycle Spdwy/	West	Northwest	Midwest
Spdwy Mid	get		

The area will be favored when appropriate bids are available. The specific selection will be done using additional factors including physical facility, available personnel, history of IKF support, etc. Contracts to be sent out and they must be returned signed by July 1st or the race is awarded to the alternate track (approximately 12 months before the race).

Hilger thanked all bidders for participating and supporting the IKF program. "This is probably the toughest decision a Board member has to make," stated Hilger.

2 CYCLE SPRINT

*Portland Karting Association	McMinnville Raceway	McMinnville, OR
*Northern Nevada Kart Club	Desert Park Raceway	Reno, NV

2009 2-Cycle Sprint Grandnationals awarded to Northern Nevada Kart Club; Alternate track is Portland Karting Association.

^{*} Indicates presentation by rep of bidding organization All voting for Grandnational host designations done by paper ballot.

4 CYCLE SPRINT

*Shasta Kart Club***

Shasta Kart Track

Santa Maria Karting Assoc.

a. E-mail from Syd White re: Shasta Kart Club

***Wishes to combine Shifter & 4-Cycle Sprint Grand Nationals

Question from Shasta Kart Club re: inclusion of Shifters at this Grandnational event. BOD requested written proposal re: request.

2009 4-Cycle Sprint Grandnationals awarded to Shasta Kart Club; Alternate Santa Maria Karting Association.

2 CYCLE SPEEDWAY/SPEEDWAY MIDGET

*Albuquerque Spdwy Karting Harvey Caplin Memorial Albuquerque, NM Speedway

*Huron Kart Club**** Rolling Thunder Spdwy Huron, SD

****Wishes to combine 2-Cycle & 4-Cycle Speedway Grand Nationals

2009 2-Cycle Speedway / Speedway Midget Grandnationals awarded to Albuquerque Speedway Karting.

4 CYCLE SPEEDWAY

*David/Carrie Snyder 1-20 Speedway Winona, TX
*Huron Kart Club**** Rolling Thunder Spdwy Huron, SD

2009 4-Cycle Speedway Grandnationals awarded to I-20 Speedway; Alternate: Huron Kart Club.

ROAD RACE

No bids submitted at this time

Motion by Schorn to allow Verlengiere to approach KART re: a combined Road Race Grandnationals. Second – Scribner

In Favor: Hoegerl, Holmboe, Motley, Schorn, Richter, Scribner, Verlengiere Passed

2010 Grandnational Bid Deadlines

The June issue of Karter News will have the notice of acceptance of bids for the IKF Grandnational races (approximately 24 months away). The bids for the IKF Grandnational must be in the IKF Office prior to September 1, 2008 (approximately 21 months before the race).

Director Issues

Motion by Verlengiere that the BOD be awarded a 50% raise; Second – Motley. In Favor: Hoegerl, Holmboe, Motley, Schorn, Richter, Scribner, Verlengiere Passed

Note: IKF Board members are not currently paid

Motion by Motley, in Section 504.3 to add: This representative is expected to have sufficient experience and tools to disassemble the engine/clutch as directed by the tech official. Second – Schorn

In Favor: Hoegerl, Holmboe, Motley, Schorn, Richter, Scribner, Verlengiere Passed

Motion by Motley to change IAME Cup weight to 370 lbs. (Section 275.5.3.2); Second – Schorn

In Favor: Hoegerl, Holmboe, Motley, Schorn, Richter, Scribner, Verlengiere Passed

Motion by Motley to change Section 202.5.4.2.1 Minimum weight changed to 500 grams. Second – Schorn

In Favor: Hoegerl, Holmboe, Motley, Schorn, Richter, Scribner, Verlengiere Passed

Motion by Motley: Add at any reference to EGT sensors: Lambda sensors are approved. Second – Richter (Section 603.2.13)

In Favor: Hoegerl, Holmboe, Motley, Schorn, Richter, Scribner, Verlengiere Passed

Tech Manual Clarification / Updates

252.1.5 Remove the last sentence of this section.

Request by Verlengiere that Motley provide further related clarifications at the June phone meeting.

105.1.6.3.5 Neck Collars: Add before the last sentence: The Leatt-Brace Moto GPX is an acceptable neck brace.

1 event \$20 membership – there are no refunds on these once they are sold. If the person wishes, they may credit the \$20 toward a full membership if they join IKF before leaving the event that day.

Proposals From Hilger

Proposal 1: 104.6.1 Competition Age: IKF competition age is the highest age of a driver during the calendar year (January 1 thru December 31). Also a driver with an attained age of 15 may move to a competition age of 16.

Change to:

104.6.1 Competition Age: IKF competition age is the highest age of the driver during the calendar year (January 1 thru December 31).

104.6.1.1 Sprint and Road Race only: A driver with an attained age of 15 may move to a competition age of 16.

Reason for change: To eliminate the confusion on specifying the competition age rule, then having an exemption to the rule. This would apply to Speedway racing only.

Note: If approved, need to add to the beginning of the National classes where age is listed stating to refer to Section 104.6 for description of the age rule.

Seconds: Verlengiere, Hoegerl

From Scribner

Proposal 2: Replace 201.6.1 to 201.6.3 to:

201.6 Rear Bumpers

Full width rear bumpers will be required starting January 2009. CIK style.

Dimensions to be developed. Seconds: Motley, Schorn

Proposal 3: 207 Class # 4,5,6: Change IKF competition Age 12 to competition

age 11.

Seconds: Holmboe, Verlengiere

Proposal 4: Change 275.5.2 to read "age 13 to 15."

Seconds: Motley, Verlengiere

From Motley

Proposal 5: Section 603

Add: In any class that has intake or exhaust restriction, any test deemed appropriate test to determine seal/crankcase integrity is permitted. Both pressure and vacuum tests may be used not exceeding 5PSI / 5inhg. The engine should not lose more than 1 PSI or 1 inhg within 60 seconds.

Seconds: Schorn, Richter

Proposal 6: 620.53

Add: It is the intent of the clutch rules to ensure that the components are left stock. Grinding or machining to reduce contact areas on the fixed plate, lining or pressure plate is not allowed.

Seconds: Scribner, Hoegerl

From Hoegerl

Proposal 7: Add to page 87, Section 622 Comer K-80, 2008 Tech Book. Piston: Bottom ring must be left on piston. Piston and ring must be installed into cylinder and must not fall through cylinder under it's own weight. Rings to be of magnetic material and can not drop through cylinder, maximum end gap to be .040".

Seconds: Verlengiere, Schorn

Membership Discussion

Insuring events other than kart racing

Shasta Kart Club re: possibility of insuring other types of racing, example: pocket bikes. BOD clarified that Shasta Kart Club needs to provide IKF a set of rules for the type of racing they want to sell insurance passes for. IKF has a limit of 450cc maximum for any type of racing engine. Note that cost will not be the same as for kart race pass, but will be a reasonable price.

Value for Insurance Dollar

Discussion re: insurance rates. While IKF insurance may be \$1.50 more per pass than a competitor, IKF does provide more than just insurance. IKF also provides a tech manual; events not insured by IKF are not allowed to use IKF rules. Other benefits IKF provides for members and sanctioned tracks include: Matching Funds Program, technical support, grievance committees, committees specific to different venues of racing (Sprint, Speedway, Road Race), Karter News and a web page with current information.

Verlengiere asked what value current clubs see in exclusively selling IKF passes. Barros stated that while her club has exclusively sold IKF passes, they are not seeing the value for their \$ that they have in the past. Verlengiere commented on the situation with clubs vs. tracks / promoters being awarded Region and Grandnational races. He questioned Sharon Barros re: her club's sense of fairness in awarding races. Barros stated that in some situations, clubs are bullied into taking race dates they are given, or not given any races at all. Verlengiere agreed that Region Coordinators in recent years have been allowed to do what they want, without intervention from the BOD.

Richter reported that BOD has discussed some criteria for clubs / tracks to get IKF Regional races. Example: the clubs / track would have to get "3 punches", i.e sell IKF insurance at 3 or more events to be eligible for a Regional race.

Karter News

Chris Scribner requested that the IKF BOD consider naming him as the Karter News Editor. He presented info about his current involvement in race coverage via his web site. His proposal included a monthly fee plus a percentage of new advertisement he brings in. Carrie Snyder reported she submitted 5 stories last year re: races at their track and none were published. Scribner also reported

submitting stories that were not published. Some discussion re: difference between editing a magazine and maintaining a website.

Exceptions to Age Rule

Maria Sanchez spoke to the Board re: an exception for her son to move up into a higher age class. Several members stated that past requests have always been denied. Schorn recalled that in Sept. '07 at the IKF meeting in Sacramento, another parent in a very similar situation approached the BOD and was denied his request.

Motion by Scribner that the BOD can consider club races only to adjust age requirements, with a 1 year maximum movement (up or down). All submissions must be made between December 25 to January 5. Second – Richter.

In favor: Holmboe, Richter, Scribner

Opposed: Hoegerl, Motley, Schorn, Verlengiere

Failed

Verlengiere asked where the BOD could go from here; is there anyone interested in changing the rule in the future? Holmboe said he would be interested in exploring the issue further. Scribner suggested some sort of qualification criteria. Verlengiere stated that if action is taken that is not well thought out, the results could be a disaster; while he is not opposed to considering exceptions to the age rules, he does want to be sure it is done correctly.

Unleaded Fuel

BOD has had discussions with both Sunoco and VP. Intent is to move to unleaded fuel in all possible classes; there will be few exceptions.

Sunday Session

Directors in attendance: Jack Hoegerl, Gary Richter, Don Holmboe, Bill Hilger, John Motley, Mike Schorn, Rick Scribner, Art Verlengiere.

Absent: Don St. Ours

Members and guests in attendance: Janet Scribner, Deven Sanchez, Maria Sanchez

Hilger opened the meeting with a moment of silent prayer:

"On behalf of the IKF Board of Directors, staff and our members, we offer our sincere condolences to the family of Kenneth McKinster, a 12 year old boy who suffered fatal injuries in a go-kart accident on April 11."

Discussion Items

BOD is doing a complete corporate review of fees, schedules and processes. Discussion of how climate is changing. Example: Motley described how his customers are different than they were 10 years ago. Customers will bring karts in for maintenance (i.e.brake jobs) that 10 years ago they did on their own. Others agreed that they are seeing the same trends. Racers just want to race, and do not want to serve on committees, do routine maintenance, etc.

Discussion re: process for a club to use IKF insurance. Some clubs believe they have to pay a sanction fee when they use IKF insurance; in fact, the sanction fee is only required if the race is a punch or Regional race. There is no sanction fee at the club level.

Scribner suggested that IKF develop a tiered pricing system. If a track used exclusively IKF insurance, they would pay a different rate than those tracks that use a combination of IKF and competitor insurance throughout the season. Some concern about penalizing those tracks that use IKF insurance exclusively with no Region races on their schedule.

Holmboe requested that someone be appointed to investigate with IKF insurance carrier if all current paperwork is still required. Scribner stated that he has projected the # of pit passes that could be sold if the IKF pass price could be priced more competitively, assuming that they would switch to IKF insurance. Some discussion re: what level of insurance (\$1 million, \$2 million, \$5 million) tracks want/need. Scribner requested to be appointed to explore these issues with the insurance company. He suggested he could do some investigating, with a meeting to be held at the September meeting with reps from the insurance company and BOD reps.

Motion by Holmboe to approve this; second - Verlengiere

In favor: Hoegerl, Richter, Holmboe, Schorn, Scribner, Verlengiere

Abstain: Motley

Passed

Discussion re: need for variety of wrist band colors to accommodate requests from customers (promoters / clubs). There are currently some different colors available.

Discussion re: need for IKF to explore new benefits to offer to their members, clubs and promoters to meet the changing climate.

Motion by Schorn to appoint Gary Richter and John Motley to review rules from different lines of racing where IKF insurance will be used. Second – Scribner In favor: Hoegerl, Richter, Holmboe, Schorn, Scribner, Verlengiere, Motley

Passed

Director Issues

Further discussion re: Sanchez request and history of parents who have asked for their children to move to an older class because of their weight and inability to be competitive in their current age group. Board offered option to develop a Local Option class with a higher weight.

Motion by Verlengiere to create a pilot program in Region 11 at Davis Track, for their club races only, that Deven Sanchez (with the approval of our insurance company) be allowed to run as a Jr. II for the remainder of the year. At the end of the year IKF BOD will evaluate the impact of this decision and give due consideration to extending it beyond that club; second – Richter In favor: Holmboe, Richter, Scribner, Schorn, Verlengiere Opposed: Hoegerl, Motley

Passed

Mrs. Sanchez will be notified of this decision, and can apply to the track re: the decision. IKF requests that the track notify IKF re: their decision to honor this. (Mrs. Sanchez and Deven Sanchez later came to the meeting and the BOD explained their decision to Deven).

Hilger did comment on the fact that Deven was illegally entered in the Jr. Il class earlier in the season and that these actions can have far reaching ramifications for both the competitor, and for the other competitors in the class.

Motion by Motley to approve trophy, with modifications, for the 2008 2-Cycle Sprint and Road Race Grandnationals. Second – Holmboe In favor: Holmboe, Richter, Scribner, Schorn, Verlengiere, Hoegerl, Motley Passed

Motley, on behalf of IKF, congratulated former IKF member Danica Patrick for winning the Motegi IRL race.

Hoegerl: Re: review of annual fees. Asked if these would be reviewed before September. Committees encouraged to review the fees related to their divisions, i.e. engine homologation, parts homologation, etc.

Schorn: 302.9 re: front brakes. He will submit proposed change to the Road Race committee

Nominations for IKF Board of Directors Due

101.4.1 Ballots for election for the Board of Directors shall appear in the June issue of Karter News each year. Two nominations are required for a Candidate to be placed on the ballot for the Board of Directors.

101.4.2 Nomation forms must be returned to the IKF Office by **July 7**, or the next business day, to be valid.

September Board Meeting

September 20-21, 2008 in Ontario, CA

Motion by Motley to adjourn; second – Scribner In favor: Holmboe, Richter, Scribner, Schorn, Verlengiere, Hoegerl, Motley Passed

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Sharee Hoegerl