IKF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2011 - Ontario CA.

President Bill Hilger called the Saturday Open Meeting to order at 8:09 am. Directors present at Roll Call were Glenn Araki, Ed Diederich, Bill Hilger, Jack Hoegerl, John Motley, Doug Norgaard, Mike Schorn, Rick Scribner, and Art Verlengiere.

Election of Officers

For President:

Hilger nominated by Scribner; Second by Diederich.

In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

For Vice-President:

Scribner nominated by Diederich; Second by Araki.

In favor: Unanimous

Passed

For Secretary:

Schorn nominated by Scribner: Second by Diederich.

In favor: Unanimous

Passed

For Co-Treasurers:

Hoegerl nominated by Hilger. Second by Diederich. Verlengiere nominated by Hilger. Second by Diederich.

In favor: Unanimous

Passed

President Hilger welcomes the following members and guests in attendance: Ted Coen, Don Durbin, Michael Graves, Sharee Hoegerl, Chuck McDaniel, Roger Miller, Chris Morrow, Dan Rivera, Janet Scribner, Carmen Carranza, and Cindy Enriquez. President Hilger thanks the guests for attending the Meeting. Hilger gives a brief description of the meeting format and agenda.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Hoegerl.

Profit & Loss – 3 Year Comparison – Discuss sponsorship funds. Income down i.e. Membership dues, magazine advertising. Pit pass income up a bit; becoming competitive in pricing. Track Renewals up. Pass costs are up; increases not passed on to track/clubs. Negotiated for lower office lease. Karter News in line with 2009. Supply purchases vary from year to year. Cut expenses as much as we could. Economy is big factor.

Balance Sheet – 3 Year Comparison – A/R varies due to the billing dates. Liabilities – regional funds – held for the regions and IKF yearly expenses, improved from prior year. Assets are down.

Accounts Receivable Summary –Most receivables are for the 2011 IKF Rulebook.

Treasurer's Report approved by the Board.

Sharon Barros, Doug Fleming and Ron Perry join the Meeting.

2010 Top 5 Pit Pass Sales

Hilger reads the Top 5 2010 Pit Pass Sales. Hilger thanks the top tracks/clubs and states each of them will receive a Certificate for a free year of track sanctioning. Clarifies that tabulation is done by number of pit passes sold not dollar sales.

2012 Grand National Bids & Questionnaires

Reviewed the Bids and Questionnaires received for the 2012 Grand Nationals. The bidders below will have the opportunity to make a presentation at the Spring Board Meeting, with voting to follow.

2 CYCLE SPRINT

Region 4A Grand Junction Kart Club Region 11 All Star Karting Grand Junction Kart Track
Prairie City Raceway

Grand Junction CO Rancho Cordova CA

4 CYCLE SPRINT

Region 11 All Star Karting
Region 6 Tri City Kart Club

Prairie City Raceway
Horn Rapids Kart Track

Rancho Cordova CA Richland WA

2 CYCLE SPEEDWAY/SPEEDWAY MIDGET

Region 5A South Dakota Kart Club University Plains Speedway Brookings SD ***

*** Event to be combined with the 4 Cycle Speedway Grand National

4 CYCLE SPEEDWAY

Region 5A Huron Kart Club
Region 5A South Dakota Kart Club

Rolling Thunder Speedway University Plains Speedway

Huron SD Brookings SD

ROAD RACE

Region 6 Portland Karting Association Miller Motorsports

Utah

Grand Junction Kart Club withdrew their bid for the 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National. Sharon Barros asks, because of the reduction in the number of bidders, if there is a possibility that another club could bid on the event. Verlengiere states they could take a back up bid only. Hilger states they will open it up for bidding. Barros asks for a timeframe – reply is 30 days from website posting date.

Motion by Verlengiere to take back up bids for the 2012 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National. Second by Araki.

In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

Motion by Verlengiere that all bidders for the 2012 2 Cycle and 4 Cycle Sprint Grand National submit the new Grand National Questionnaire.

Second by Araki. In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

Discussion by Board regarding Questionnaire submitted for the 2 Cycle Speedway/Speedway Midget, only one bid received to combine with the 4 Cycle Speedway Grand National. Discussed combining the two events.

Motion by Schorn to ask Huron Kart Club if they want to resubmit their Questionnaire to combine the 2 and 4 Cycle Speedway Grand Nationals.

Second by Diederich.

In Favor: Araki, Diederich, Motley, Norgaard, Schorn, Scribner

Opposed: Hoegerl, Verlengiere

Passed

One bid received for the Road Race Grand National.

No bids received for the Speedway Pavement Grand National.

2011 Grand National Director in Charge & Tech Director Appointments

ROAD RACE Ed Diederich Open
SWRA Eagles Canyon Raceway Slidell T

June 15-18, 2011

4 CYCLE SPRINTMike SchornTerry NashShasta Kart ClubShasta Kart TrackRedding CA

June 29 - July 2, 2011

4 CYCLE SPEEDWAY Bill Hilger Open

South Dakota Kart Club University Plains Speedway Brookings SD

July 10-16, 2011

2 CYCLE SPEEDWAY/SMMike SchornJack HoegerlTri County KartersDelaware SpeedwayDelaware IA

July 31 – August 4, 2011

2 CYCLE SPRINTBill HilgerJohn MotleyEP1K ProMotionCalSpeedFontana CA

August 25-28, 2011

Chris Villarreal and Terry Nash join the Meeting.

Board discusses the email from Stephen Fischer regarding the 2011 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National dates. Grand National dates conflict with school schedule. Board agrees it is a no win deal.

2011 Advisory Committees

National Tech Director 2-Cycle: Jack Hoegerl

Committee: Lynn Haddock, Terry Ives, John Motley

National Tech Director 4-Cycle: Terry Nash

Committee: Lee Miller, Roger Cathey, Chuck Sloggett, David Snyder, Syd White, George

Shear, Doug Norgaard, Mike Schorn, Mark Alton

Shifter Tech Committee Chair: John Motley

Committee: Terry Hegar, Don Holmboe, John Sefcik

Road Race Committee Chairman: Don Holmboe

Committee: Debbie Kuntze, Chris Hegar, Roger Miller, Jim McMillan

Sprint Committee

Chairman: Art Verlengiere

Committee: Lynn Haddock, Les Hand, Kent Laukaitis, Keith Freber, Chris Villarreal, Don

Durbin

Speedway Committee

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Chairman: Bill Hilger

Committee: Andy Bear, Dan Koopman, David Snyder, Ralph Woodard, Brad Swiggart

Doug Norgaard

TaG Committee

Chairman: John Motley

Committee: Don Moormeister, Terry Nash, Rick Scribner, Jack Hoegerl

Motion by Araki to approve the 2011 Sprint Committee Chairmen and Committee Members. Second by Scribner.

Motion by Verlengiere to approve the 2011 Speedway Committee Chairman & Members.

Second by Diederich.

Motion by Verlengiere to approve the 2011 TaG Committee Chairman and Members.

Second by Motley.

Motion by Verlengiere to approve the 2011 2 Cycle Tech Committee Chairman and Members. Second by Schorn.

Motion by Verlengiere to approve the 2011 4 Cycle Tech Committee Chairman and Members. Second by Scribner.

Motion by Verlengiere to approve the 2011 Shifter Tech Committee Chairman and Members. Second by Diederich.

Motion by Scribner to approve the 2011 Road Race Committee Chairman and Members.

Second by Verlengiere.

In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

Discussion of clone rules by Terry Nash and the Board.

Discussion on engine homologation fees. Board agrees that homologation fees should be paid for all engines in the Rulebook. Carmen Carranza to forward list of engines and fees paid to the Board.

Motley announces an upcoming partnership with L.S. Starrett Company for providing tools and discount certificates for Starrett measuring devices. States that Starrett already has a system of tools for motorsports. Feels it is a good program for Starrett and the IKF.

Motley discusses post race technical disqualifications and points. States most people think there are no points if you are dg'd in tech. (Clarifies this is the National rule as opposed to a regional rule.) Points are given based on the system in the IKF Rulebook. Discusses flagrant dq's. Asks for input. Scribner asks if they can define, by example, a flagrant dg versus a bolt missing. cracked muffler. Motley believes they can. Discussion by Board and members. Chris Morrow states the biggest confusion comes from who gets to make the call. Says there needs to be a clarification of what is defined as flagrant and what is defined as not flagrant so the points are consistent. Events must be scored the same. Verlengiere states he has no interest in officiating and running events by verse and number; if they are going eliminate people and their ability to make judgment calls, he is done and feels the rest of the people will be done also. Can never define it all. They get the best people they can, volunteers, to make decisions and he is happy with that as a Board Member. Will not run a race with no decision power because you can never document and cover everything. Morrow agrees with this but states, if there are definitions in the Rulebook, you have to follow them, cannot pick and choose. Everybody gets the same penalty whether it is a mistake or intentional. Some agree that is the way it should be. Araki states that ruling can be across the board also. A dq is a dq, on the track or post tech. Motley states people think they get zero points when they get da's in tech. Araki states it used to be that way. Lengthy discussion regarding droppable and not droppable dq's, flagrant and non flagrant dq's, meatball flag. Motley will pursue this issue.

Jeff Havens joins the Meeting.

Diederich discusses the TaG and IAME Cup weights. Wants a more level playing field for these classes. Proposes a weight change in these classes. Also proposes to drop the 200# requirement from the TaG Masters and make it a 35+ class. Discussion by Board. Araki states the program has never been and will never be equal. In the local area, they are running the most competitive engines. By changing the rules, in his area, it may discourage the advantage and it will go away. Diederich states they go with the most competitive motors. Lengthy discussion by the Board.

Motion by Diederich to change as follows.

Second by Scribner.

Section 275.5.3 IKF Grand National Classes

275.5.3.1 IKF TaG Senior: For ages 16-up PRD Fireball 2008 – 345lbs IAME Leopard All – 355lbs Rotax Max – 355lbs Motori Seven – 385lbs Vortex ROK – 385lbs

> Sonix TX125 - 385lbs (Delete early PRD)

In Favor: Araki, Diederich, Hoegerl, Motley, Norgaard, Schorn, Scribner

Abstain: Verlengiere

Passed

Motion by Diederich to change as follows effective January 1, 2012.

Second by Scribner.

In Favor: Araki, Diederich, Hoegerl, Motley, Norgaard, Schorn, Scribner

Abstain: Verlengiere

Passed

Section 275.4 IKF TaG Masters (local/regional only) – For ages 35-up.

(Delete driver weight verbiage)

Weight for each engine package is +30lbs based on IKF

TaG Senior weight.

Roger Miller states that Section 306.2.3 should be deleted from the Rulebook. Board agrees.

Discussion of ballast colors.

Schorn asks to delete class #11 Animal Super Sportsman Heavy from Section 209. No Board vote needed.

Chris LaTorre, Dan Rivera and Troy Adams join the Meeting.

Verlengiere not present at the Meeting.

Continued ballast color discussion. No change at this time.

Schorn asks to delete the verbiage in Section 721.2.5 and replace with verbiage from Section 716.2.6. Board agrees. Nash explains reason for change.

Araki states to leave the Rulebook alone during the year. Board Members are to submit changes for the 2012 Rulebook to Roger Miller by July 1, 2011 for discussion at the September Board Meeting. Hilger states each Division should review all their rules.

Hilger states the IKF is working with INDYCAR, NASCAR, SCCA and USAC. Contact with INDYCAR; hope to have their presence at the 2 Cycle Sprint and the 4 Cycle Speedway Grand

Nationals; possibly a booth with a car and driver. Possibility for IKF Drivers to attend IRL or an INDYCAR race. Contact on a monthly basis. Realize karting is a ladder step to INDYCAR. Talking with SSCA also. Should be a benefit to the IKF membership as we move forward.

Exciting announcement is coming.

Shasta Kart Club has requested to add the Limited Modified Animal class to the 2011 4 Cycle Sprint Grand National Race Schedule. Discussed by the Board and class was not added to the schedule.

Hilger opens the floor for discussion.

2011 Region 7 Sprint Series

Chuck McDaniel states he likes the new Region 7 Sprint schedule – appropriate for the economy, get the numbers up, 6 races, get more people back in karting.

Diederich ask about the proposed administration of the series. McDaniel feels that having somebody there for consistency is a good idea. If managed correctly. Should still be affordable. Is a premiere series. A move in the right direction.

Clarification: The Region 7 Sprint Series is an IKF regional series. Must be an IKF Member to run the series. Questions best answered by Verlengiere and Rob Niles. Lengthy discussion about past and future regional events.

Verlengiere and Rob Niles join the Meeting.

Verlengiere states the Region 7 Sprint series will be IKF classes governed by the IKF Rulebook. Rotax will be governed by the IKF Rulebook and USRMC rules. Rotax will run MOJO tires, available from kart shops. Hilger states it will be an IKF regional series with IKF regional champions. Verlengiere agrees.

Rob Niles explains the management of the series. Discussion and questions from members and guests. All agree that communication is important to get correct information to karters. Niles explains the "cap" on the events. Discussion on Series Contract. Hilger states that Rob Niles is the Series Coordinator and Art Verlengiere is the Regional Coordinator.

Shirley Hilger and Lloyd Mack join the Meeting.

A request was received from Rob Niles to change the date of the 2011 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National. Discussion by Board. Rob Niles feels that we should do everything we can to accommodate as many racers as possible.

Motion by Motley to change the date of the 2011 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National to August 25-28, 2011.

Second by Norgaard. In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

Motion by Motley to approve the following 2011 2 Cycle Sprint Grand National Class Schedule as modified.

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1.	Junior 1	8-11	225	YKC
2.	Jr. Super Sportsman	12-15	300	YKC
3.	Kid Kart Heavy	5-7	160	YKC
4.	KPV 1 Heavy	8-11	250	YKC
5.	KPV 2 Heavy	12-15	320	YKC
6.	Super Sportsman	16-up	340	YKC

Day 2	 Saturday, August 27 			
1.	PRD TAG Controlled Junior 1	8-11	255	YKC
2.	PRD TAG Controlled Junior 2	12-15	320	YKC
3.	PRD TAG Controlled Senior	16-up	360	YKC
4.	Rookie Sportsman	8-11	235	YKC
5.	Kid Kart	5-7	150	YKC
6.	Super Sportsman Heavy	16-up	360	YKC
Day 3	- Sunday, August 28			
1.	KPV 1 Cadet	8-11	240	YKC
2.	KPV 2 Junior	12-15	310	YKC
3.	KPV 4 Senior	16-up	340	YKC
4.	Mini Max	9-12	265	Mojo
5.	Rotax Junior	13-15	320	Mojo
6.	Rotax Senior	16-up	365	Mojo

Second by Schorn. In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

McDaniel/LAKC Grievance

Hilger explains the handling of the Grievance and the resulting Board vote to uphold the Race Directors decision. Chris LaTorre states the LAKC does not feel they received Due Process in this matter They received a letter from the IKF with the results of the Board vote. Feels the LAKC should have been contacted. Verlengiere states it was not done properly. Scribner states, in his experience, that club boards like to isolate themselves from these types of decision making processes and remain independent; has been handled like this in the past. Just a possible oversight. IKF Board is there to make those tough decisions. Hilger clarifies the Grievance Committee and process.

Sharon Barros details who she spoke to regarding the Grievance. Made her recommendation to the IKF Board. Sharon spoke with Chris LaTorre. Did not change her recommendation. Verlengiere states due diligence was not done and not handled properly. Verlengiere thought he had information from both parties when he received the Grievance. Sharon Barros spoke with Chris LaTorre after the vote. Lengthy discussion by Board and members. Hilger states that Art Verlengiere and Sharon Barros will review all the independent data and make another recommendation to the Board. Chris LaTorre appreciates that. Verlengiere states deadline is 33 days.

Hilger states there has been discussion regarding the charge for pit spaces at the Grand National events. Glenn Araki is working on this – would like input. Wants to regulate the charge at Grand National events. Biggest complaint in regards to fees is the charge for the pit spots. Understands it is one of the ways the host club/promoter generates some income and is ok with that. Charges for pit spots seem to be getting out of control at the Grand Nationals. No cap to it, no end to it. Would like to come up with a number, a maximum charge per square foot at a Grand National event. Can charge less but not more. Rob Niles comments the Board ultimately has control of this as it is on the Grand National Questionnaire submitted by the club/promoter. Araki agrees. Discussion regarding sizes and costs of pit spots. Araki suggest \$.25 per square foot for Grand National pit spots.

Motion by Schorn to approve the Exception Request from Justin Yanez to compete as a Junior II effective January 25, 2011.

Second by Scribner. In Favor: Unanimous

Passed

Araki states, in the future, Exception Requests be handled according to the IKF Rulebook i.e. Exception Requests will not be accepted unless the driver is within 12 months of the respective age group to be considered.

Discussion regarding Birth Certificates required for all IKF minor members on file in the IKF Office effective January 1, 2011.

2011 Meeting Dates & Locations April 16-17 Ontario October 15-16 Ontario

Hoegerl adds the following Rule Change approved by the Board:

101.4 Election of IKF Board of Directors

101.4.1 Ballots for election to the Board of Directors shall appear in the July 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 Nomination forms must be returned to the IKF Office by August 5, or the next business day, to be valid.

101.4.3 Nomination Acceptance forms shall be mailed to each Nominee by August 10.

101.4.4 Acceptance forms and Nominee Platform must be received at the IKF Office by August 24 to be placed on the Ballot.

101.4.5 Nominees and their platforms will appear in the October issue of Karter News.

101.4.6 Ballots will be sent to the membership before October 15.

101.4.7 Voted ballots must be returned to the Accountant by November 7.

101.4.8 Ballots will be counted after the Fall Board of Directors meeting. Results of the election will be placed on the Website and in Karter News as soon as possible.

101.4.9 Newly elected Directors will take their office at the January IKF Board Meeting.

Hoegerl adds the following Rulebook typo's to correct:

Section 207 2 Cycle Sprint National Championship Classes

Class #4 - KPV 1 Cadet - should say KPV1 Spec Pipe

Class #6 - KPV 2 Junior - should say KPV2 Spec Pipe

Class #8 – Super Sportsman Heavy – remove KPV3

Note Box below Class List – last sentence – remove HPV3, - should list RLV1, RLV2, RLV3 as a restricted pipe on the Yamaha engines.

According to the 2011 IKF Rulebook, HPV pipes will not be allowed beginning 7/1/2011 and ONLY pipes with welded end caps are allowed at this time.

Hoegerl adds the following Rulebook change:

Section 622.15 – Add as Second Sentence – Polishing is allowed.

Diederich thanks everyone for coming to the Meeting.

Hilger thanks the women and wives for allowing them to have all of this fun! Scribner agrees.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 pm.