



Woodbridge Kart Club
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2016

The all-day meeting of the 2016 WKC Board of Directors took place on Saturday, December 10, 2016 in the SCCA building on the property of Summit Point Motorsports Park in Summit Point, WV.

Attendance:

Present:

Rodney Smith	President and Treasurer
Scott Sanders	Vice President
Brandon Taylor	Secretary
Jeff Troup	Board Member
Clark Gaynor, Sr.	Board Member
Robert Burkett, Sr.	Board Member
Simon Whitnell	Board Member
Don Johnson	Board Member
Bernie LaFrance	Board Member

Absent:

Pirooz Javan	Board Member
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President Smith called the meeting to order at 9:15am. Bernie LaFrance arrived just after the start of the meeting at 9:25am. Smith began the meeting by thanking all of the board members that will be concluding their term at the general membership/election meeting in February.

President Smith next addressed the 2017 schedule (it is as follows):

- April 29-30 at the Shenandoah Circuit
- June 3-4 at SPR Main (WKA National)
- July 21-23 at VIR North Course (WKA National)
- August 26-27 at SPR Main (shared with Formula Car Series)
- September 30-October 1 at SPR Main (shared with N2 motorcycle group)

Smith stated that the VIR contract is in the works as he has been in touch with management there. He feels that it will be confirmed in the upcoming weeks. The August event will be a 50/50 split contract with the Formula Car series and they will receive their own contract from SPR. There is an opportunity to potentially share the June event with the US Drift series. President Smith was going to explore the possibility of perhaps obtaining SPR for a Friday practice day to accommodate the shared time. As of the writing of these minutes, this is not a possibility. Smith is to continue to explore the possibility of making the June event a shared event and will also inquire with VIR about the possibility of having only a two day event there in July.

A motion was made by Smith, a second by LaFrance to grant permission for Smith to send SPR a check in the amount of \$10,000 to hold the above dates at Summit Point Motorsports Park. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Smith provided a copy of the 2016 Profit and Loss spreadsheet to the board for review. Specifics of the spreadsheet will not be provided in these minutes; however, should you wish to be provided with particular information, please contact the board and it will be provided to you directly.

The next discussion was to establish the 2017 race fees. Due to the fact that every competitor must be a member of some organization (either WKC or WKA) there is essentially no more non-member fees. After discussion, the following summary lists the 2017 race entry fees:

- Shenandoah Pre-Entry: \$100 At-Track: \$125
- Summit Main Pre-Entry: \$100 At-Track: \$125
- VIR Pre-Entry: \$110 At-Track: \$140
- Practice Fees for each event will reflect the Pre-Entry and At-Track pricing for a race at each venue (i.e. VIR Pre-Entry for practice day will be \$110).

A motion was made by Taylor, a second by Sanders to accept and adopt these fees. The motion carried unanimously.

President Smith distributed a document to the board from the track management at Summit Point Raceway. These were the track rules with some highlights that will be strictly enforced by SPR. The board will outline these on the club's website so that the general public will be well aware of them prior to our arrival in April. The major points made were as follows:

- No one will have access to the paddock area before 6pm the day before the event.
- Bicycles and other non-motorized vehicles will be restricted, especially during on-track time due to driving in the paddock and sharing events with race car groups that also drive in the paddock area.

The board next quickly reviewed the current rain racing policy and unanimously agreed that the way it was handled in October was about the best it could be done. There are currently no apparent changes to the policy in the WKA tech manual so the policy will remain the same in 2017.

Next, the board took a significant amount of time to preview and discuss proposed changes to how pre-race tech is conducted at our events. Secretary Taylor led the way in the discussion and stated that he is still awaiting contact from our insurance provider, Michael Davis, Sr. The new policy will ultimately put drivers strictly in charge of making sure their kart and equipment are in compliance with pre-tech rules. Drivers will need to complete a pre-tech form for each kart they are driving, turn it in to one of the designated locations, and receive a sticker to put on their kart. A copy of the pre-tech

form will be made available online in advance of the event and in registration at the event. Any kart that does not have a form on file and is found to not be on file will result in a DQ for that driver for all classes that weekend with no refund. This penalty is served to the driver and NOT the kart. The board will revisit this process and have it more complete in upcoming meetings after the final draft of the pre-tech form has been made.

The 2017 point structure will remain the same as last year. A discussion later ensued about drop races and the advantages and disadvantages to having them or not. A motion was made by Smith, a second by Burkett to not drop any races for 2017. The motion failed 3 to 5. A motion was made by Clark, Sr., a second by Johnson to drop one race for single classes in 2017. The motion carried 7-1.

The 2017 class structure was next discussed and it will remain consistent with WKA's tech manual and what we currently offer in the way of local option classes as outlined in the WKC Handbook. There will be an addendum to the WKC Open Sprint class that will allow for CIK style chassis to enter without a dual brake requirement. The dual brake requirement will also be deleted for CIK Junior Sprint classes.

The 2017 pay structure was next discussed with regards to paid personnel at each of our events. A motion was made by LaFrance with a second by Clark, Sr. to keep the pay structure the same as it was in 2016. The motion carries 5-0, 4 abstained.

The board next discussed the awards allocation for the 2016 season. The only "Championship" status classes for the year were Stock Leopard and Stock Honda. A motion was made by Smith and a second by Taylor to provide trophies and merchandise gift certificates to the top 3 positions in the "Championship" classes and a first place trophy to class winners of the "Club" classes. The motion carried unanimously. The 2016 year-end awards ceremony will take place during the June event of next season (see below on important dates/fees).

Board member Simon Whitnell will be handling race awards for the 2017 season. He will look at options for awards for the WKA National races and club races will continue to award medallions and stickers to race winners.

Board member Clark Gaynor, Sr. is currently in charge of Sponsorship. He does have a desire to give it up, but currently there are no other takers.

The 2017 Handbook is to be updated and posted to the club's website hopefully by the beginning of February. The board was directed to use the 2016 version online to review and suggest corrections and changes to Clark, Sr. by January 15.

Other dates and pricing that were agreed upon by the board unanimously:

- 2017 Swap Meet/General Membership/Election Meeting will take place inside of registration at Summit Point Raceway on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 9am.

Ballots being cast at the meeting are to be submitted by 10:30am with the meeting being at 11am.

- 2016 Year End Banquet will take place at the June WKA National event.
- 2017 Membership fees will remain at \$40.
- 2017 Sponsorship fees will remain at \$200 per 20x40 pit spot.
- 2017 Pit-passes will remain unchanged from this year with a Thursday/Friday pit-pass price staying at \$25.

President Smith expressed the need to hold an in-class school for novices and participants in the fun finale. There were no immediate volunteers and this task may be assigned at each race as needed.

Board member Johnson is now in charge of the upkeep of the club's website and will be seeking assistance from Larry at Raceday. Johnson will also chair the New Membership Committee that will be responsible for new member outreach as well as working to get in touch with previous club members. Johnson also has intentions to publish a monthly newsletter to the club's website and send it to the membership via email. Current positions that will be advertised are (1) novice school rep. (2) sponsorship rep. (3) registration assistant (volunteer).

A few final points/comment/suggestions that were taken under advisement or will be acted upon in the near future prior to the start of 2016:

- Would like to see results posted faster on MyLaps.
- Bearing and brakes need to be checked on the club trailer. Sanders will be in touch with Jonathan Tedder about this. Scott Sanders will serve as club trailer coordinator.

With no other club business to be discussed, everyone was wished the very best during the holidays and safe travels to Daytona!

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Taylor
Secretary
Woodbridge Kart Club