

Open Board Meeting Minutes – Dec 11, 2017

Meeting Venue:

Chapel, Thunderbird School, 1 Global Place [1] Glendale, AZ 85306

Board Members

Paul Hendricks – Present
Bernie Lacotta - Present
Scott Cebulski – Present
Richie Underwood - Present
Bill Scheets – Present
Jeff Smale - Absent
Casey Rogalski – Present

TIMELY ITEMS

Approve Minutes

- Approve Nov 13 Meeting Minutes. Approved.

Race Logistics n/ Procedures – Winter Series Race #4 – Jan 7

- Mixing Classes – LO206 Jr1 & Jr2. The board supports the discretion of the race director. Due to the higher number of racers in Jr1 and Jr2, and the small number of overall classes on race day, until further notice, the board does not want to combine the classes on race day. The board will review next month.
- Waivers to move up a class early will continue to be considered on a case-by-case basis following established procedures.
- We need announcements for people to know what's going on. Better at race #3, but still need the time break ends and a call for the class to like up after the break. Jimmy Huntington will do the announcements.
- Running Kid Kart main after lunch break? No. The consensus at the meeting was to keep the Kid Kart Main before the lunch break.
- Gridding for Kid Kart Heat #1 (particular issue was for drivers who missed the last race). We will change to do “timed practice” in the place of Heat 1 (this is effectively Qualifying), with kids sent out with an approximate 2 second gap. At least 4 Kid Kart parents were present, and they also believed they had consensus of those on a facebook discussion.
- Kid Kart HPD Rules were posted on website, and these are the rules we are following. We will be doing a “complimentary” tech starting with the next race (Jan 7). There will be no DQs, but if there are

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found to be continuing violations, the board will review to consider actions.

- We need Race Hero and Race Monitor both set up, as well as race day scoring of the results. If one is down, the other should be up. People want to see not only the positions, but the times as well.
- There was no food truck or hot dogs at Race #2 or #3. We can get the hot dogs from Parker Cebulski if we push the time back by 1 hour. We will re-evaluate at the schedule at the next meeting.
- Points for 2018 Winter races. There is a technical issue such that until the new and old data are merged, Mark can't do the 2018 winter points. Jacob will work with Mark to get the data merged. We will be keeping track of Kid Kart points (separated by Comer and Honda) even though this is not a championship class.
- Issues with scoring/lineup
 - Race #2 WF - apparently a transponder wasn't working, so lineup wrong.
 - Race #3 "X" drivers not at the back of the field. At the drivers meeting, we should reiterate that those rookies with an X must start from the back. Bill will highlight the text on the kart number field on pre-registration to encourage rookie designation.
 - Race #3 DQ at scales but no change in lineup. With our current pill draw format, we are treating a DQ in one of the heats as finishing last. It does not require starting last in the next heat/main.
 - Race #3 Other penalties (changing driver) not handled correctly. This was apparently a mis-interpretation of the rules and/or incorrect assumptions about whether the registered driver had driven the first heat. Strictly speaking, it isn't a DQ, since the driver wasn't even a registered driver. The substitute driver would not have proper insurance, and we can't allow this.

Practice

- Practice Schedule between Christmas and New Years will be 9-5 Tue-Sat (26th-30th), but no Tue Beginner night.
- Non-Member Practice Rate for week (Mon-Thurs) prior to the COTA, both 9-5 and evening (5-10). Full day will be \$80, and evening \$40.
- Paul would like to have a volunteer to organize one or more special events for the club (Enduro, Oval night, etc.).

Awards Banquet

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- Sat Jan 13. At Dave & Busters. 7:00-10:00
- Ticket sales are set up online until Jan 8. \$20 Adults (13+), \$10 Children (4-12).
- Gluten free meals are available, but you will need to notify Scott or Curtis.
- Asking for trophy sponsorship. It depends on the kind of trophies, but about \$500-\$1000 for a class sponsorship.
- Trophies
 - Juniors the top 5
 - Adults the top 3
 - Kid Karts – all those that raced and show up at the banquet – about 35 total
 - Trophy options were reviewed, but we will defer to the judgment of Curtis Ruth & Rich Bowen.

2018 Tire Contract

- Evaluation Criteria
 - Performance
 - Durability
 - Cost
 - Availability
 - Vendor benefits to the club (e.g. cash, free tires, major race)
- Evinco, Bridgestone, Vega, and Hoosier made the initial short list, and were tested. Based on the tests, the list was narrowed down to Evinco, Bridgestone, and Hoosier. RFP Requests were sent to those three on Nov 29, with responses due by Dec 20.
- We received an unsolicited proposal from LeCont, and the vendors we requested proposals intend to respond.
- Paul asked approval to ask for a month-to-month extension of our current contract if we don't get a new contract signed before the current deal runs out. The board approved. We may want to finish out the winter season on Evinco even if a change is made.
- The information will be presented at the Jan 8 open meeting before making a decision.

Outside Events / Promotions / Marketing / Advertising

- COTA race scheduled for Jan 26-28, 2018. We still need a signed agreement (and a SUP).

Assignment of Board (and related) Responsibilities

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- Paul will send out description of Director liability insurance to the directors. Still following up on details.
- Treasurer –Jeff Smale has agreed, and was voted to be the treasurer.
- Paul Hendricks indicated his decision not to run for re-election to the board when his term expires in August.
- Promotions -
- Advertising -
- Marketing –
- Sponsorship – We could sell some more signage

IKF 4 Cycle and 2 cycle Grand Nationals

- Status Update from Rich Bowen: plan is between Christmas and New Years. Fri Dec 28 – Sun Dec 30, 2018
- Rich will be asking for volunteers

Track / Facility

- The track blower is fixed.
- Fixing Cracks – Completed.