WKA Trustee Board Meeting Friday March 6, 2015 WKA office

The following Trustees and Officers were present:

Officers:

John Ferris

President

Bobby Gettys

Vice President - Four Cycle

Lynn Haddock

Vice President - Two Cycle

Angelo Buffomante

Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Williams

CIK Liaison

Trustees:

Dale Coffey

District 1 (proxy)

Johnny Bartlett

District 3

Dave Koehler

District 4

Lynn Haddock

District 5 (proxy)

Jerry Cole

District 6

George Sieracki

District 7

Mike Tetreault

District 8

Staff:

Buddy Long

Marie Borsuk

Reps:

Mike Brown

District 6

John Klutz

District 3

Absent:

Steve Jacobsen

District 1

Vito DePinto

District 2

Randall Lyles

District 5

Lee Camarra

District 9

Andy Seesemann

District 10

The Friday evening meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the invocation by Bobby Gettys. President Ferris welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. He also suggested a 9pm ending time for this evening.

President Ferris congratulated new Trustee Dave Koehler form district 4. He also gave a recap of the election process. President Ferris officially welcomed Angelo Buffomante as the Secretary/Treasurer, and Lynn Haddock as the new Vice President of 2 cycle. President Ferris also welcomed back Buddy Long stating that he is already heavily involved with the 3 upcoming National events.

President Ferris informed the Board that Keith Roberts was retain as a Webmaster subcontractor. He will also be hired to help out at races as Buddy needs him. He is currently working on a new website which may be available for the executive board to review in a few days. It was decided to put the \$1500 to correct towards a new site.

President Ferris reviewed the annual ACCUS meeting. Voting members are Indy Car, NASCAR, IMSA, NHRA, SCCA, and USAC. WKA is the Karting affiliate and has no voting privileges. Mr. Craw reaffirmed the backing of WKA as the Karting seat. ACCUS also accepted the nomination of Lynn Haddock for the 2nd deputy position.

Vice President Haddock asked that everyone look over the sections of the tech manual that they are interest in, and submit any corrections or errors. The Board would like the updates to be an ongoing item leading to the 2016 Tech Manual. Please contact Lynn with any corrections, omissions, or errors.

Trustee Tetreault and Secretary/Treasurer Buffomante presented a financials on events with comparison for 2012 to 2013, 2013 to 2014, and 2015 of which Daytona is the only event to date. Trustee Tetreault stated that local labor would be used whenever possible to cut event costs. He also stated that we should redefine categories for a more defined accounting. He next reviewed the last three years decreases on membership and wristband usage. Trustee Tetreault was asked several questions concerning his report. Trustee Tetreault will present later in the meeting ideas he has come up with concerning a Master Track program.

President Ferris opened the floor to a discussion concerning the invited guest for Saturday morning.

Trustee Koehler who would not be able to attend the Saturday meeting reviewed the items that he had placed on the agenda:

- 1. Membership drive is needed.
- 2. National Series growth plan
- 3. Competition Committee for the Sprint program.
- 4. Paying the winner on Sunday a cash award in classes that have 10 or more entries.

A motion was made by Coffey, second by Dave to adjourn and reconvene Saturday morning at 9am.

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The Board reconvened at 9:10am with Robert Garland District 4 proxy, and Bobby Gettys proxy for District 3.

Guests:

Dave Klaus of Briggs & Stratton

Dale and Ron Powell of Unilli Tires

Trustee Cole opened a discussion on the eligibility of some district reps, and the election. It was explained that when a nominee goes unopposed, they are automatically installed as the Trustee and the appropriate date. Eligibility question was also clarified and accepted. Trustee Cole reminded all that it was their responsibility to make sure their reps had valid, current memberships.

Mr. Dave Klaus of Briggs & Stratton Motorsports made a presentation to the Board. He went into the history of Briggs & Stratton and how the motorsports division was founded. He then went into the technology behind the name.

He also told the Board of the building and inspections done on Briggs & Stratton parts, and that each engine goes through a 30-minute final check. This insures a consistent hand built product. Every critical part is measured and he assured the Board that he could be called at any time if there is a problem. Mr. Klaus discussed the LO206 engine and how it has simplified the sport and created the ladder system. He stressed that every other racing entity that is using the LO206 engine is using the Briggs & Stratton rules, which mirror WKA rules with the exception of the spark plug, air filter, and pipe. Mr. Klaus was asked if he would supply entries in the 206 classes at the 103rd Street event with a parts kit. He assured the Board that the kit would be available for all entries in the four LO206 classes for the first event only.

A motion was made by Haddock, second by Sieracki to accept the Briggs and Stratton 206 rules with include aligning the WKA rules to coincide with Briggs & Stratton rules. Parts kit to be provided for entries in the four 206 classes.

In favor: Cole, Gettys, Haddock, Sieracki, Coffey, Garland, and Tetreault. Unanimous.

Mr. Klaus said he would look into the possibility of send a tech guy to an event.
Mr. Klaus was thanked for his time and WKA looks forward to again working with him and Briggs & Stratton.

Mr. Ron Powell addressed the Board. He gave a review of the start of his company resulting from the cost of tires for the dirt racers. Mr. Powell is a previous dirt racer. On a business trip to China, he discovered a tire that he felt might meet the criteria he was looking for in for a dirt track racer. Mr. Powell was asked about the possibility of partnering in 2016 with a Dirt Series. He was extremely interest in perusing this possibility. His main goal is to get his name and tire out to all the dirt tracks. He agreed with the Board on opposing entities placing race dates on top of previous booked dates. He also stated that he was open for a series that would start with Daytona and end with an awards ceremony in Daytona the following year. He suggested getting rid of the low entry classes and Mr. Long suggest the possibility of a 3 or 4 race series. Both sides were looking for along term commitment and with that said, WKA will get with Mr. Powell to work on a proposal.

VP/ District 5 rep Haddock stated the Mfg Cup competition committee would like to start qualifying on Friday evening during the last practice session. This would allow more race time on Saturday with the possibility of more laps as darkness, and ambulance service permits. A motion was made by Haddock, second by Tetreault to adopt this procedure pending the outcome of a survey to be passed out at Mooresville. In Favor: Cole, Gettys, Haddock, Sieracki, Coffey, Garland, and Tetreault. Unanimous. The motion was passed pending the racer questionnaire that will be

handed out at the next M-Cup event in Mooresville. The M-Cup committee had recommended this questionnaire of the membership be done before we put this scheme into motion.

VP/ District 5 rep Haddock then opened a discussion on the IAME clutch drum and Piston. A motion was made by Tetreault, second by Sieracki accept the new X30 clutch drum # X30125550A and the new X30 piston from the alternate supplier predicated on proof of 50 of each

X30125550A and the new X30 piston from the alternate supplier predicated on proof of 50 of each part being in the USA. Parts will be legal May 1, 2015. IAME would exchange the drums, if there was a race before the legal usage date. Some new motors may have the new clutch drum installed. In Favor: Cole, Gettys, Sieracki, Coffey, Garland, and Tetreault. Haddock abstained.

VP/ District 5 rep Haddock then presented a starter relay, and ignition control box. The manufacturer has changed the color of the resin on these items going from black to blue. There is no performance gain, and is simply a color change.

A motion was made by Coffey, second by Gettys to accept this and to put out a pit board alerting the competitors of the change. In Favor: Cole, Gettys, Sieracki, Coffey, Garland, and Tetreault. Haddock abstained.

Mr. Haddock presented homologation of the IAME Parilla Mini-Swift engine to the Board. The motor and fees have been submitted to WKA. Proof of 100 motors in the country has been submitted and the tech rules for this engine have been also bee submitted. A motion by Sieracki, second by Coffey to accept as presented. In Favor: Cole, Gettys, Sieracki, Coffey, Garland, and Tetreault.

Haddock abstained.

District 1 Rep Coffey re-presented the following:

To remove the dual brake requirement on the following classes:

362.7 Pro gas Animal

362.8 Animal limited Modified, -- may use single braking system only when using Gold Cup type chassis, but must follow Gold Cup Chassis rules

362.9 TaG Heavy

362.10 TaG Final

362.13 Stock Leopard Sprint

A motion was made by Coffey, second by Haddock to adopt the above stated rule changes and to include a 7 inch minimum disc with a 3/16 thickness.

In favor: Gettys, Haddock, Sieracki, Coffey, and Tetreault. Opposed: Cole, Garland Motion passed.

The Board approve the Woodbridge Kart club requested to change their June 13-14 Summit Point Raceway Main regional event be reclassified as a National.

President Ferris presented the Board with a proposed contingency plan for the Road Race series from Hoosier. Since this is the Vega/TS Road Racing Series, this contingency would not be accepted at this time based on the need for more research and discussion. WKA thanks Hoosier for the presentation.

Trustee Cole suggested that all Committees be comprised of the 2 and 4 cycle reps from each district as voted on in Indianapolis last year. It was stated that 20 people on a committee are too many. Mr. Coffey stated that his committee is representative of the Road Racing community. It includes a rep from Woodbridge Kart Club, Southern Kart Club, Dart Kart Club, and 2 & 4 cycle sprint and laydown reps.

VP/District 3 proxy Gettys presented a request form the Gold Cup Competition Committee. They are requesting a Three (3) year freeze until the start of the 2018 season in the Pro Gas Animal Engine Rule unless it is a manufacturer dictate or a safety issue. A motion was made by Gettys, second by Cole to accept as presented. In Favor: Cole, Gettys, Haddock, Sieracki, Coffey, and Tetreault, Garland. Motion passed.

VP/District 3 proxy Gettys then presented the Board with an ongoing problem in the Gold Cup Series. Classes with low entry counts are finding some unwilling to show up for Qualifying and sometime pre-finals thus saving their tires for the main. The Board is aware of this and has sent it back to committee for proper wording and penalty so it can be passed.

Trustee Tetreault presented a proposed wristband program which would:

- 1. Reduce the annual application fee. WKA will provide more Rule books to the track. (number to be established).
- 2. Give the Tracks free of charge a specified number of Tech Manuals
- 3. A Rebate of \$15 for every new WKA Master Member and \$10 for renewing member.
- 4. Wrist band costs to be based on market costs in the area.
- 5. Listing on the WKA website.
- 6. Waiving the track renewal fee for the track selling the most new memberships
- 7. Promotion threw EKN, Race Tech Development, and Kart 360m, and other Karting sites.

The object is to give the tracks and members a value for their dollar. Right now they have the use and a copy of the WKA Tech Manual, office support, aide with protests, WKA labeled wristbands, banners.

President Ferris updated the Board on the WKA trademark, which has been acquired in 3 different federal articles.

Trustee Cole reported to the Board that WKA President should contact the Mr. Davis of the Dart Kart Club to discuss the possibility of WKA members receiving National points for attending their events. Trustee Cole was informed that Mr. Davis was already contacted by a RR committee person who reported to the President the results.

Trustee Sieracki asked about the award program stating that the membership should be aware of what they are racing for. All agreed this was a good idea and Mr. Long suggested that we get through the Gold Cup awards presentation, which is final one for the 2014-racing season. Then we will see about getting all the awards for all the different series 2015 posted on the new website.

Mr. Haddock suggested a timeline for the 2016 Tech Manual listing a drop-dead date for rule changes and spelling and error corrections. A beginning of September date was suggested.

Last item before an open 10-minute discussion was the date for the next in person and membership meeting. September 9-10 or 11-12 was discussed.

Motion to adjourn was made by	yand second by	/
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Respectfully Submitted, Angelo Buffomante Secretary/Treasurer

Marie Borsuk WKA staff