

WKA Trustee Board Meeting
September 6-7th, 2017
Concord, NC

The following Trustees and Officers were present:

Officers:

John Ferris	President
Lynn Haddock	Vice President- Two Cycle
Bobby Gettys	Vice President- Four Cycle
Mike Tetreault	Treasurer/ District 8

Trustees:

Steve Jacobsen	District 1
Robby Harper	District 2
Chuck Gafrarar	District 3 proxy for John Klutz
Bobby Moore	District 4 proxy for Dave Kohler
Randall Lyles	District 5
Dave Cole	District 6
Bill McLaughlin	District 7 proxy for George Sieracki
Andy Seesemann	District 10

Staff:

Marie Borsuk
Kelly Frazier
Buddy Long

Absent:

Angelo Buffomante	District 9/ Secretary
Kevin Williams	International Liaison

President Ferris Welcomed everyone to the meeting at 9:00 am and opened the meeting and thanked them for their time, he requested everyone stand and honor our flag by reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. Proceeding the Pledge Bobby Gettys provided the invocation.

Angelo Buffomante joined the meeting via conference call.

The first item on the agenda was the Election for the office of President. President Ferris turned the meeting over to Vice Presidents Haddock and Gettys. Vice President Haddock asked President Ferris if he would like to stay during the discussion. President Ferris stated he would leave the room so the Trustees could discuss openly. The trustees clarified when the term of the current President would end which is Nov. 16th, 2017. The board discussed if there were other nominations for President. No nominations were presented.

Motion made by Mike Tetreault to re-elect John Ferris as President of WKA for a 3-year term seconded by Randal Lyles. Term to begin Nov. 17th, 2017. Vote was 10-0 to accept John as WKA President.

John was asked to rejoin the meeting, asked to accept re-election as WKA President and President Ferris accepted. President Ferris will elect his executive board after the new trustees have been elected.

Angelo Buffomante excuses himself from the conference call.

Lunch

Next topic was the discussion of the next face to face meeting and membership meeting.

A motion was made by Andy Seesemann to move the Annual Membership meeting & Face to Face meeting to Friday Oct. 13th, 2017. Seconded by David Cole, No opposed, Motion passes.

Annual Membership Meeting and Face to Face Board meeting. Friday Night Oct. 13th, 2017 at GoPro Motorplex in Mooresville, NC

Lynn Haddock presented a proposal for an Election Time Schedule to the Board for review and discussion.

Motion was made by Andy Seesemann to add WKA Election time schedule to the Doc Section on the website. Seconded by Bill McLaughlin, No one opposed. Motion Passes.

WKA trustee election time-table

September 1 nominations go out -- pit board and media announcements as such

October 1 deadline for nominations to be received into WKA

October 15 notifications are mailed to all eligible nominated persons (after membership and age verification)

November 1 deadline for return of candidate platforms (with 2 + 4 cycle representatives named)
(representatives must be verified for eligibility)
(non-disclosure agreement must also be signed)

November 15 ballots mailed out to the membership by the accounting firm

December 15 deadline for return of ballots to accounting firm -- results to be given to WKA when available

Jan 1 official announcement of election results via pit board and other media --- trustees officially take office at this time. Orientation to take place at first sit down meeting following announcement

Lynn continued the discussion on Daytona Dirt track conditions and WKA needs to make something happen to make the track conditions better, the track needs water. Buddy has spoken to Daytona International, and they have agreed to allow us to handle working the dirt track. Preparations are underway to secure water trucks, proper equipment and materials needed to prepare a better track for our competitors, in addition to the equipment that the track does have and provides.

Buddy also advised the board that he is working on reviewing the dirt classes due to the 11:00pm curfew we are given.

Lynn Haddock requested that he would like to add Section 212.14.3 to the tech manual to read:

“Spec tires and rain tires to be run as produced with no alteration.”

Motion by Robby Harper to approve section 212.14.3 wording and addition to the tech manual, Seconded by Steve Jacobsen, No one opposes, motion passes.

Lynn Haddock discussed his next Tech Manual agenda item regarding rules 254.2.1, 304.2.1, 354.2.1, 404.2.1 and 454.2.1. Lynn requested that the Thru bolt hub locking system, which is used for the Hollow Shaft, not being acceptable for 5/8 shaft system.

Motion by Robby Harper to accept the proposal/ clarification, that the Thru Bolt Hub Locking System, which is used for the Hollow Shaft, is not acceptable with the solid 5/8 shaft system. Seconded by Bobby Moore. Zero opposed, motion passes.

David Cole requested the board to review Section 212 in the Tech Manual, Manufacturers Cup Series Event Format and Special Rules, specifically rule 212.1.1 Qualifying.

Motion was made by D. Cole for Qualifying to establish starting position for Pre-Final and Pre-Final to establish starting position on the grid for Final on those days when Qualifying, Pre-Final and Final are run for 2018 Tech manual. Seconded by Bill McLaughlin, zero opposed, motion passes.

Robby Harper presented to the board the Road Race competition committees suggestion for the 2018 Road Race Schedule.

Daytona International Speedway- December
Roebeling Road- March
Atlanta Motorsports Park TBD
Summit Point- June

VIR- July
Heartland Park Topeka- August
Bowling Green- October

Best 5 of 7 races count for season points, with minimum 4 races run to qualify for year-end awards. For Final 1-Final 2 format races, best 9 of 14 races, with minimum 8 races run for year-end awards.

Motion was made by Robby Harper to accept the Road Race Competition Committee 2018 Road Race Schedule. Seconded by Bill McLaughlin. Zero opposed. Motion passes.

2018 Road Race entries fees were discussed and Robby Was asked to take that discussion back to the Road Race Competition committee for 2018 prices.

Robby continued the Road Race discussion and presented another request to the board from the competition committee to Add 20 lbs. to current weight of 390lbs for entrants using ICA motors (Parilla Reedjet, and similar) in 100cc Controlled class. All other engines and ICA motors running fixed pipes remain current weight.

Motion made by Andy Seesemann to accept the Road Race committees request to Add 20 lbs. to current weight of 390lbs for entrants using ICA motors (Parilla Reedjet, and similar) in 100cc Controlled class. All other engines and ICA motors running fixed pipes remain current weight. Seconded by Robby Harper. Opposed: Zero. Motion passes.

Motion made by Robby Harper to accepted the proposed 2018 NRRS 4- Cycle Class Structure as written and proposed:

2018 NRRS 4-Cycle Class Structure Proposal:

362.4 Animal Sprint 390 (Final 1 + Final 2): To replace 362.4, 362.5, and 362.6 with a single class weight of 390#. All other technical items to remain unchanged.

362.5 LO206 Sprint 390 (Final 1 + Final 2): To replace 362.7 and 362.8 with a single class weight of 390#. In addition, separating the Clone and LO206 engine packages to allow for closer competition.

362.6 Clone Sprint 390 (Final 1 + Final 2): Single class weight of 390# and to be scored separately from LO206 Sprint 390 (formally 362.7 & 362.8).

362.7 CIK LO206 (Final 1 + Final 2): To replace 362.18 as a national points class. All current technical items listed for 362.18 will be upheld for 2018 season.

Seconded by Andy Seesemann. Opposed: David Cole. Motion passes.

Robby Harper asked the board to review Rule 115.1.1- Helmet Cameras. The Board discussed and no action was taken. They upheld that camera helmets are not allowed as it compromises the integrity of the helmet.

Lynn Haddock presented the board a proposal for restructuring the Gold Cup program. Gold Cup was discussed at length and everyone agreed that Gold Cup needs to be a clean slate. The proposal included Regional and National classes. Some trustees had people that they wanted to reach out to within the racing community and the board agreed to table this item until the next meeting in October in order to gather some more information.

Bill McLaughlin is going to check into an option to see if we could possibly run a Gold Cup event at the same time we are running the Purdue EV Grand Prix.

Mike Tetreault presented 2018 Man Cup classes. Man Cup classes to remove LO206 and replace with IAME KA100 class. all other Man Cup classes would remain the same for 2018.

Motion made by Mike Tetreault to remove LO206 Senior class from 2018 Man Cup classes and replace it with KA100 class. Seconded by Bill McLaughlin. Opposed: Zero. Motion passes.

Lynn Haddock asked permission from the board to review and revise the Homologation guidelines and bring it up to speed. He is going to work on something tonight and bring it back to the board to review in the morning.

Motion made at 5:03pm by David Cole to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bill McLaughlin.

Sept 7th, 9:00am

President Ferris bring meeting to order. Robby Harper and Chuck Gafrarar are currently absent from the meeting.

Mike Tetreault began a discussion on Man Cup Daytona classes. A proposal was presented to the board to run Ignite Senior class as local option in Daytona.

The proposed class structure would be:

- Margay Ignite Senior- 360 lbs., 4.5/7.1 YDS Tires

- \$195 maximum entry fee. Participants will not be competing for points or year-end prizes.

- Margay will supply 1st through 5th place trophies for the class.

- Any competitor who will attain the age of 15 during the 2018 calendar year would be eligible to compete.

- Current Ignite class rules will be utilized. All engine rules will be per the Briggs-issued LO206 rules package.

- Tires will be marked after day one qualifying, those tires must remain on the kart for the balance of the event. Margay personnel with assist with tire marking. Any tire replacement due to damage will be at the race directors' discretion.

- Ignite Senior will run the same practice and race format as all other WKA National classes.

- Margay will supply their own photographer and additional dedicated social media coordinator.

Previous Daytona Winner will not be eligible to enter/ race in this class.

Motion by David Cole to allow Ignite Senior class as presented above. Seconded by Andy Seesemann

Opposed: zero. Motion passes.

Robby Harper joined the meeting at 9:15am

B. Eves Appeal/ protest letter was forwarded to the board to review by Trustee D. Cole. Mr. Eves was protesting rule 803.10 resulting in the points for the Bridgestone Mid-Season Shoot-out. Each board member took the time to read through Mr. Eves appeal and detailed discussion took place.

Motion by Bobby Moore to deny Mr. Eves appeal, due to the pipe being removed from the tech area. We cannot rule on it being a factor in the appeal.

Seconded by: S. Jacobsen, opposed: D. Cole, Abstained: M. Tetreault and Bill McLaughlin. Motion passes.

Mr. Eves to be notified of the decision via certified letter.

Section 803.10 in the Tech Manual was reviewed and discussed at length, regarding what should be considered a droppable DQ if anything.

Motion made by D. Cole for rule 803.10 to read: "If a driver is disqualified for unsafe driving or failure to pass post-race weight or technical inspection or unsportsmanlike conduct, the driver may not count the race as a "drop race" (no droppable DQ's)

Seconded by Robby Harper, In favor: Bobby Moore, Robby Harper, Randal Lyles, D. Cole, Steve Jacobsen

Opposed: Mike Tetreault, Andy Seesemann, Bill McLaughlin.

Mike Tetreault asked the board to review the wording of "attained Age" throughout the Tech Manual. Motion made by Mike Tetreault to remove the wording "attained age" in the class structure in all series with the exception of Kid Karts. Seconded by Bobby Moore, Opposed: zero. Motion passes.

Next agenda item presented to the board by L. Haddock and discussed was Man Cup numbering system for classes for 2018 year.

Micro swift	2 digits
Mini swift	100
lame junior	700
lame senior	300
Yamaha sportsman	500
Yamaha junior	600
Yamaha senior	800
KA senior	900

Motion made by Andy Seesemann to accept the numbering system as written and presented for Man Cup. Seconded by Bill McLaughlin. Opposed zero, motion passes.

Reserve numbers will still be available for purchase for \$25 per class. If reserve numbers are not purchased in advance, the office will assign the competitor the next number in line, related to their class and that will be their number for that competition year.

D. Cole updated the board on where he was on working on updating and revising, the track package program. He passed around copies of the program to the board members and asked them to review of any typos or asked for any questions or concerns and will meet back up with the board once they have had an opportunity to review.

2018 Man Cup schedule was presented to the board by M. Tetreault and John Ferris.

First mention is there is no Winter Cup series this year, however the proposed Man Cup series will have 6 races instead of 5.

2018 Man Cup Schedule:

Daytona Int'l Speedway- Dec. 27-30th 2017

GoPro Motorplex- March 23-25th

Pittsburgh Int'l Race Complex- May 18-20th

New Jersey Motorsports Park- July 13-15th

New Castle Motorsports Park- September 14-16th

GoPro Motorplex- October 26-28th

The board asked the Man Cup competition committee to review the number of drops for the series to get back to the board on their suggestions as soon as possible.

Chuck Gafrarar joined the meeting at 12:30pm

Lynn Haddock revisited the Homologation Guidelines with a typed up a revision suggestion and presented it to the board for review:

117.1.1 ENGINES

WKA will accept engines for homologation yearly before March 1. Interested parties wishing to submit engines must meet the following requirements:

1. The engine manufacture must certify the name of the US importer or distributor.
2. The submitter must have a US business location and must have been in business for at least two years prior to the submission. A federal tax number and sales tax ID number must also be included.

3. The submission must include a complete engine or engine kit and a submission fee of 500 US dollars as well as drawings, homologation fiche paperwork, photos and any other related items.
4. Engine must include tools to aid in post-race inspection such as head templates, port gauges, carb gauges, etc.
5. WKA will inspect the submission and advise the submitting organization as to the acceptance or rejection by June 1.
6. If accepted, proof of 100 units in the United States must be documented by Sept 1.
7. A 1500 US dollar homologation fee must be paid by Sept 1.

117.1.2 ENGINE PARTS

change submission date to March 1

change submission fee to 300 US dollars

required minimum quantity-- 50 items

inspection date on or before Sept 1.

Motion by Steve Jacobsen to accept the proposed revision as written. Seconded by Mike Tetreault.

Opposed: Zero. Motion passes

WKA Financials were presented and reviewed by the trustees. Treasurer Mike Tetreault answered any questions trustees may have had.

M. Tetreault he would like to start the scanning bar code procedures in Daytona. They have already obtained and started using the barcoded engine seals. Tires are to be barcoded as well. When the competitor comes through tech, tires, engine and chassis seals will be scanned assigned to the competitor.

Competition committee is asked to review and recommend how the tires will be scanned and handed out to the competitors for the weekend. Board will wait to hear back from competition committee on their suggestions.

L. Haddock started a discussion on selling tires at Man Cup events only. Entry fee would include race tires and the competitor would go to the tire tent and pick up race tires for the weekend. No motion was made. Discussion will continue and we will continue to research for possible implementation at Daytona.

Robby Harper presented the board with a letter from Kelly Reed regarding a clutch made by Horstman for road racing. After some discussion, the board felt it may be best to test the clutch at a few races throughout the 2018 season. The clutch is to be tested in Daytona and possible other tracks through 2018 for possible implementation in 2019.

Lead shot in the frame was discussed. Tech manual states weight ballast "must be bolted securely to the kart using bolts of at least 5/16" in diameter." Lead shot cannot be bolted so not acceptable.

Lynn Haddock presented to the board that he would like to narrow down the oil ratio for fuel tech to one amount. Maybe going from "6-8 oz. of oil" to just "8oz" per gallon.

Bill McLaughlin advised that he present it to the competition committee and get their feedback and suggestion on this item and will let the board know their suggestions.

Mike Tetreault asked the board their thoughts on making transponders mandatory starting round 1 of practice. It has been suggested that this item also go to the competition Committee for review and to receive their suggestions.

It was suggested that WKA hire an actual Grid person, that we have a designated grid person that knows how to run the grid, and not depend on some track to supply weekend help. We appreciate the tracks help that they provide, however the grid person is a very important person on the flow of the race throughout the day and having one person with one designated job would be extremely helpful.

Bobby Gettys and Randal Lyles were asked to stream line some of the Clone rules.

Motion by Robby Harper to adjourn at 3:21pm seconded by Bobby Moore. Opposed: zero.