

Waterloo Regional Kart Club Annual General Meeting

Ontario Corporation No. 000781507

January 12, 2019 – 10:30AM

Millgrove Community Center – 881 Millgrove Sideroad, Waterdown, ON L0R 2H2

Copy of the January 12, 2019 Minutes for the Official Records:

Signed By: _____
 Print Sign Date

Witnessed By: _____
 Print Sign Date

1. Call to Order

Call to Order: 10:35M

Introduction of Chair: Jake Collison

Introduction of Secretary: TJ Marshall

Introduction of 2018 Board of Directors.

2. Appointment of Scrutineers

- As per the by-law, 3 scrutineers are required. The 3 scrutineers are Gerry Reis, David Miller and Mike Britton

3. Notion of Meeting

- The notion of the meeting was brought to the attention of the membership on December 12, 2018 by WRKC Website post, by mass email and by Facebook post

4. Presentation of Financial Statement

- Christine reviewed the financial statement from 2018 (See Statement of Financial Income and Expense – January through December 2018)
 - Total Income - **\$92,056.40**
 - Total Expense - **\$95,428.26**
 - Net Income - **-\$3,223.57**
- Total income is marginally lower than 2017 as the attendance was lower. Total expenses were in line with 2017.
- Did great with sponsorship as every race day was sponsored and extra sponsorship for Oktoberfest.
- Audit was completed by Ireland and Young, they found no issues with the club’s accounting practices.

- Deficit was small compared to the total sum in the bank account. Many prizes (BBQ, etc) that cost money. The deficit was worth it

a. Motion to Accept Financial Statement as Read

Motioned By: John Geldart

Seconded By: Gary Colling

Carried Unanimously

5. Address to Club Members, by President Reviewing 2018 Highlights

- The club subsidized a portion of the cost of the banquet.
- 2018 was the first year in the recent past that had a traveling race. Mixed reviews
- 13 Race schedule was in line with the typical schedule
- Gary Colling – Helped Russ Bond with the Toyota StartKart in 2018 for four days. Russ approved of WRKC and the way the club operates. He has a WRKC sticker on the hauler.
- We were sold out for race day and class sponsors. Oktoberfest sponsorship was sold out, but it took to the last minute. Will require the same amount of participation in 2019
- Motorama, Flamboro Speedway, Etc are events in 2019 that could benefit from having exposure. Volunteers would be appreciated

6. Scrutineers Report of Attendance

- Scrutineers reported the attendance
 - 52 ballots were handed out to members
 - 16 votes will be cast by proxy
 - 4 Associate members in attendance
 - 56 total ballots were handed out.
- Total number of members – 110 members – 7 Associates
- The total members present and in proxy meets the requirement for quorum

7. Hold the Election of the Officers

- The club will require help from all members, those who are elected and those who were not. All help is appreciated.
- There were 10 members that were nominated and accepted before the cut-off date. The members who were nominated are:
 - Steve Adams
 - Gary Colling
 - John Geldart
 - Darron Glasgow
 - Lisa MacRae
 - Jeremy Riopelle
 - Stu Robertson
 - Jeff Rowley
 - Paul Slote
 - Andrew Tarr
- The club sent the proxy votes in due time.

- The scrutineers will man the ballot box.

8. Rule Book Changes and Review of Common Issues

- The Board of Directors table will be updated based on today
- Marijuana has been added to the controlled substances.
- Tram lines have been outlined in the starting procedure
 - Painted tram lines will be addressed and improved in 2019
- The addition of a member of the front row being made uncompetitive in the opening corners
 - Review the wording to ensure there will not be unintended consequences
- Drivers must always wear a helmet on-track
- Vaping has been added to the smoking policy
- Red flag – Emphasis on safety and not time frame
- Helmets – ASN approvals are lengthy. Refer to ASN for full list
- Recommended use of sternum protectors for youth
- Video may not be used in a protest.
- Minimum kart weights were reduced from 130lb to 120lb.
- Lead shot in the frame rail was altered from prohibited to not recommended. Dropping lead on the track may have consequences.
- Rear bumper distance between rear wheel (longitudinally). ASN length is 50mm, WRKC length is increased to 100mm
- Adding that GX160 and GX200 shrouds are interchangeable
- GX200 ZOV head CC increased from 27cc to 28cc
- Restrictor plate cost increased from \$10 to \$15
- B&S 206 engines were passed by the board for Jr Heavy, Sr Medium and Masters (with weight penalty)
 - Discussed for years including 2018 AGM.
 - Will be in-line with the other Ontario kart clubs
 - Engine rules are for a minimum 8-year-old engine
 - This decision was made for the progression of the club; to amalgamate the B&S rather than outdate the Honda engine
 - Allowed non-points participation for those classes starting in August 2018 experimenting with weight
 - Those factors were accounted for by the board when making the decision
 - The decision not to amalgamate the engine into the younger classes was made due to a lack of testing. Differing slides and weights are an option
 - B&S tech tools will have to be purchased by the club and the head of tech should understand the engine
 - Ideally the implementation of B&S will attract participation from other members.
 - Weights could be discussed by class membership throughout the year and an amendment could be issued.
- Gerry asked for a show of hands to approve the decision of the made by the board
 - A majority of people approved this decision (~80%)
- An option for the Cadet and Novice classes is to use (4) 4.60 tires as opposed to the 6.50 rear tires

- Other clubs have rules restricting that option to 950mm chassis.
- The smaller tires provide the driver with better control.
- The intent was for the tire to be an **OPTION** for those classes on all chassis.
- When the club had open tires, the option was available for a 5.50 tire.

b. Motion to leave the rule unchanged

Motioned By: Jeff Rowley

Seconded By: Andrew Tarr

A show of hands was taken, a majority of people voted to leave the rule as written.

- A new homologation for rain tires will be accepted by ASN in 2020. The WRKC rain tires will be selected by the new committee. MG Tires will not be accepted past 2019
- Push back bumpers - Have been discussed but will not be implemented in 2019. Will be discussed by the elected membership
- Other clubs allow kart lighting during night races where WRKC has not allowed it. The elected board will discuss. Issues include flashing lights and lights falling off.
- Gary asked to review the weights for Sr Medium.
 - Will be reviewed after the 2019 membership has been completed. The Sr members will be contacted and asked for their preference.
- Questions about having more information on posted penalties (ie X kart received 3 position penalty for contact with Y kart)
- Common rules/penalty chart
 - A reference baseline chart has been drafted but has not been accepted by the executive.
 - Will be reviewed by the newly elected board.

9. Summary of the Election of Board and Executive by the Scrutineers

The scrutineers read a summary of the election results.

- 56 Ballots were handed out
- 56 Ballots were returned
- 0 Ballots spoiled
- 261 votes were cast. Not all ballots had the maximum 5 votes.

The results are as follows:

- *Steve Adams
- *Gary Colling
- *Lisa MacRae
- *Paul Slote
- *Andrew Tarr

- The club thanks everyone who shows up and helps. We ask that everyone try to help to the best of their capacity.

10. New Business

- Sponsors are crucial to keep the club functioning. If anyone knows a sponsor, let the board know
- Volunteers are vital. There are a number of jobs and tasks that occur throughout the year.
- Schedule has not been finalized. Flamborough Speedway and MIKA/TRAK/CFRKC schedules are close and the WRKC schedule will follow. 13 points events
 - Feedback from the Hamilton race has been generally positive.
 - i. The deal in 2018 was to have one event there and a Hamilton race at Oktoberfest.
 - ii. Costs are noticeably higher.
 - Qualifying for all reverse races – Will be discussed later
 - Possibility of double-header Sunday event
- Flamboro Speedway has asked for members to purchase a pad for the year. Negotiations are still occurring. Will be paid and allotted by Flamboro Speedway. The final cost and method in assigning pads will be determined.
- Have been asked to consider an alternative track layout. The board has considered an alternative track but has not decided. Will revisit.
- EKN published an article about how negative opinions on social media can have huge impacts. Recommended that all members read the article and think twice about posts on social media.
- Future club social media postings will have to be in consideration as it is the best way to reach possible members
- The lawsuit is currently still on-going. The club has met all of the outlined deadlines and requirements. Current court date is set for March but it can be expected for the issue to linger. 2018 AGM it was anticipated that the suit would be resolved in a few months but it took longer than expected.
- A future goal once the lawsuit has been settled would be a capital improvement for the track. There are a few options that are being reviewed but none will take place until the result of the lawsuit.

c. Motion to rehire Ireland and Young to do the 2019 Financial Audit

Motioned By: Andrew Tarr

Seconded By: Jeff Smith

A show of hands were taken, a majority of people voted in approval of this motion.

- It was discussed at previous meeting about connecting the drainage around the lightpost to existing drainage. To be addressed later
- Some curbing at the track is breaking up. Will have to be addressed in the spring.
- Facebook video is intended to be reused this year. Will have to create a new landing page as the one last year was focused for Oktoberfest.
- A container at Flamboro Speedway is available on the grandstand side to promote the club. The container is currently finished and would require minor renovations. Will require manpower to operate the booth at every event.

11. Adjournment of Meeting

d. Motion to Adjourn

Motioned By: Andrew Tarr

Seconded By: Paul Ditner

Meeting Adjourned: 12:59PM