



Meeting Minutes May 5, 2014

Start-7:37, attendees 15

Secretary– Minutes approved as posted on club web site.

Treasurer –Checking \$7343.52. If anyone has receipts they need to be reimbursed on please get them to Erik right away.

Director- Darryl Dupre was only director present. He hoped everyone had a good time yesterday for the first race of the season.

Vice President – No comments.

President- Mike commented on a great job at the race yesterday and thanked everyone for their help and working together to get things cleaned up after his car's little incident.

Regular Reports

Membership, registration & administration – Our New Registration Team now has their first event under their belt. We had 115 drivers for the May 4th event with 98 pre reg.

A reminder to all of those who plan to be members for 2014 please register as a member no later than June 1st to get your special 50th Anniversary Tri-State shirt. Only members registered by this date will receive the shirt.

Equipment, property, technology –Our new batteries did not hold up very well during the first event. Darryl will get some new ones from Grainger that may be of better quality. We will need to do a repair on the left rear trailer support leg before the next event. We could not get it to go up and it had to be removed. It will need to be replaced. More brooms and broom sticks needed. Darryl will take care of this as well. Dylan has a vinyl cutter and will cut out the URL for live timing to put on the side of the trailer.

Schedule & Sites – The dates of 9/7 & 9/8 (I believe this was to be 9/6 & 9/7...9/8 is a Monday) have opened up for Rt 66. We would like to do a fun event on Saturday...BBQ, fun runs, etc. and our regular race event on Sunday. More details to follow.

Trophies – Mike would like to do some red shirts. Erick added with white print.

Sponsors –Keith Tennant said he got some great photos at Event 1 yesterday. Can't wait to see the pictures of our young kart drivers. He is hoping to get those up by Friday. John from K&M Magnetics was very busy on Sunday...we saw a lot more magnets and less tape on the cars.

Event Review –Event 1 Sears Center- May the 4th be with you. David Finchum arrived in his Corvette playing the theme song from Star Wars to start off the morning. (Thank you David, that was fun and I do

have to say that car has a great sound system,) We had 115 participants. We had some timing issues that we will look into further to see if we can prevent for future events. We had great helping cleaning things up after a mechanical mishap with one of the cars. We will need some more large bristle brushes and broom sticks as the bristles were worn down to nubs on a few of the brooms during clean up. One issue brought up about the track was the exit gate at top of the hill. Gate was probably smaller than we would like. Everyone seemed to love the course. The speed variances provided different challenges. We will review CAM class.

Old Business – One note for chief of carts concerning safety...someone asked if the karts could do all of their runs at once. This was reviewed with those who are safety stewards and those who have children that participate in karts and it is not a safety issue with this but it is a larger block of down time all at once instead of three blocks that are broken up throughout the day. We like running karts at the beginning of the runs as it is better for safety because there is less action in grid and everyone is paying more attention than at the end of the runs.

New Business – Event 1 was mostly a board run event. We need to make sure the future events that a board member walks around during set up & confirms the course is safe. We would like a board member to volunteer for this. Also we want a layout on paper prior to the morning of the event for review to see if there are any noticeable issues that may need to be addressed before the morning of. Any board member will be happy to talk course design with any of our event chairs. We still need a chair for the 9/14 event.

Tonight we met at Stonewood Ale House in Schaumburg. It was a little loud and not really good for conducting a meeting. We would like to stay in the Schaumburg area for one more meeting and will meet at Fuddrucker's in Schaumburg at 436 East Golf Road at 7PM.

Announcements- None.

Adjourned- 8:20 submitted by Tom Beall