

GENERAL MEETING NOTES

DATE: Monday, January 22, 2018

TIME: 7 pm

PLACE: The Fifth Quarter

President Tom Gee, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

Clint Smith gave the Secretary's report.

Motion to accept made by Rob Vandermoss, seconded by Lowell Bennett. Motion Carried.

Pat Roeser gave the Treasurer's report. 1099's are available

Motion to accept made by Jack Effertz, seconded by Mike Meyerhofer. Motion carried.

OLD

- Schedule update (sport mods the week after each leg of R, W and B races)
We are planning on having the super stocks off those 3 weeks. Joe Verdegan is going to help to promote this. Pavement Pounder triple crown series now has a title sponsor in Winnegamie Builders Association. June 14th, July 19th August 16th
- Sponsors update.....Still seeking a new R, W and B title sponsor. We want to have an autograph table on these nights next year. R, W and B "fan zone" Might have a decision by Friday night.
- We do have every night sponsored for 2018. Although we lost 3 sponsors, we have one less night and 2 new sponsors. PCMC is back and we also have Mad City Siding and Windows which Taylor Haufschildt helped us to set up. Dan Van Daalwyk also helped us with setting up the sponsors. Conger might also be involved in some form of sponsorship this year.
- Budweiser will be the last night combined with Valley Liquor.
- W.I.R. Contract update...Met again tonight and finalized the 2108 contract.
- Rules changes posted on Facebook and will be on website soon. ½ Mile we posted amendments (changes from last year) We are still meeting after this meeting with the 4 cylinders.
- Tire rule: FRRC is recommending that FRRC competitors buy their tires from Joe at Racetech. Andy Monday asked if it says in the contract that competitors need to buy the tires from Racetech. Pat clarified that all the contract said in the past was that you had to run the Hoosier tires. Rob Vandermoss confirmed this. We have not seen the actual tire contract yet.
- Dennis Chase is asking if we are going to allow the new body or not. It has to be ABC approved in order to run with us full time. Otherwise, it has to be a 3 race deal. Lowell Bennett said he heard July or August most recently.

NEW

- New website administrator and photographer for 2018. Tom Janikowski will be taking over both duties in 2018. He will also continue making his Facebook fliers. He has a LOT of changes he wants to make to the website to make it more interactive. He won't be there every week during the race season.

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- Dennis Chase had asked if we will no longer have a weekly photographer. We will be working with several vendors who can provide victory lane photos.
- Several changes in staff for 2018. Still finalizing. We have eliminated several positions and this has saved close to \$7,000 for the season. Assistant Flagman, second Pit Steward in pit area. (We will only have Bill Fischer, not a second staff helping him), spotter communicator on race-ceiver on ½ mile. (Jodie Smith will now talk to ½ mile on race-ceiver), and the tire marshal position. (tech crew will now deal with all the tire policing).
- Other changes:

In turn 3, due to Phil Martzahl having a limited schedule in 2108, Brandon Blashe will take over in turn 3. Phil will be back as our number 1 sub in different areas.

Tech changes: Jerry Smits resigned from the inner pits. ½ Mile pit tech will now be Mike Panure (Head tech) and Dennis Baldry and outer pits will be Ron Kohl (Headtech) and Brian W.

We will also have Randy take over pace car driver duties in 2018 from Roger the bear Regeth.

- Membership forms available. Drivers fee is added back in. \$50 for driver; \$30 for non-driver passes. Season pass update 2 free not 3 nights. On average, we usually don't have more than 2 rainouts. We could consider giving something back at banquet time if more than 2 or 3 rainouts. Lifetime members are still getting season passes. The \$\$ difference is so small, that we are not going to enforce the top gate vs pit gate for lifetime members. Still free admission like it has been in the past.
- FRRC podcasts. They have a sponsor...the X Bar (Craig Krueger) They plan to do the future podcasts after the races at the X bar.
- LM Crate motors: We will buy FRRC seals. We will have them sealed; we will use Extreme Enterprises out of Cecil to work with us on this. Mike Panure will also use these seals when he techs things. Weight is 2725 sealed with FRRC seal. If you have a different seal, you have to weight 2750. Jim Duchow mentioned we have to be careful with other "seals"
- Jodie "Missy" Vandermolen helped to secure the Winnegamie Builders Association for the Sport Mods. Please thank her.
- KK Insurance update; Policy and coverage is split into 3 accounts to make sure everything is kept separate. That way we know where we stand on payments, etc. Our policy is due 3/4/2018. This involves our workman's comp. insurance, as well.
- Bylaws: there are some small changes; We will plan to read off recommended changes at the February meeting. Anyone who wants to review a copy of what they currently look like, you can come up front and add your e-mail address. Tom will e-mail you a copy.
- 2018 BOD: SLM-Andy Monday; LM-Braison Bennett; SS-Larry Raygo; S4-Ethan Beattie; F8-Terry Van Roy; Audit rep-Larry MacArthur; Former officer-Brandon Blashe; W.I.R. Rep-Dave Valentyne.
- 2018 Audit Committee: Larry MacArthur; Hank Calmes; Gordie Sannes; Rob Vanderboss; (Scott Vanden Huevel is yet to be decided)
- Discuss track drying rule; How do we enforce it? Gordie Sannes suggested to use amb on a minimum amount of laps per car. Randy Yaeger asked what the penalty would be ? Ideas would be extra points for helping as a reward, or starting in the back of your race as a penalty, etc. Rob

Thomson said part of it is communication and letting the drivers know ahead of time. We would still use discretion if you had a tech problem.

- Social media rule: In our contract from W.I.R.---It does now have a clause about officers and employees will portray the club/track in a positive manner. FRRC may also adapt something for our competitors, as well. No decision has been made yet on this. We will look into what other tracks are currently doing before making a final decision.

TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR

- ¼ Mile Late Models: We will pay them \$50 per car. They will have their own sponsors and their own points fund, etc. If they can produce 14 cars by the White race they will have 7 races. Otherwise, they will have 5 races.
- Jim Duchow came up and spoke about the ¼ mile LM Series. They will have a contract (similar to the sport trucks) Jim Duchow said that the plan right now is \$250 to win and \$100 to start if there is a 14 car field. W.I.R. is very supportive on this series. There will be at least \$6,000 to start the season. So, the payout might go up from where they are currently at. Jim will be able to give a further update at the February meeting. This money is coming from Pete Berken and Jim Duchow soliciting specifically for this \$\$\$. The UMA is also working on a series on the 602 crate. The goal is to also keep the IMCA spec motor in there for now. There will be a small meeting after the general meeting for anyone interested in this series. Mike Anthony also has a lot of contingency sponsors that he has set up.
- Evan Beattie had questions for Jim about other motor options. Jim said the plan is to try to work with cars interested in racing with them.
- Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made by Corey Manders seconded by Dennis Chase
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Next Meeting is on February 26th, 2018 at 7pm location: 5Th Quarter