

GENERAL MEETING NOTES

DATE: Monday, October 23, 2017

TIME: 7 pm

PLACE: The Fifth Quarter

President Tom Gee, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

Clint Smith gave the Secretary's report.

Motion to accept made by Andy Monday, seconded by Mike Anthony. Motion Carried.

Pat Roeser gave the Treasurer's report.

Banquet was a success and we were able to provide a sizable check to the Wohlrabe family. We still are waiting to receive \$\$\$ from a couple unpaid sponsors.

Jim Duchow asked/clarified how much Werner still owes.....this was for their extra tickets. Werner will get their rainout next year

Motion to accept made by Lowell Bennett, seconded by Mike Butz. Motion carried.

OLD

- Banquet update: we have some left over trophies and sponsors plaques. Please come up and get them if they are connected to your team or you live close by.
- Additional Nominations for Secretary and President; thus far we have.
- President—Nominated and Accepted Nominations: Tom Gee, Jr; Rob Vanderboss
Others nominated and undecided: Marty Nussbaum
Marty Nussbaum and Rob Vanderboss both declined their nominations.
Write Ins: none
- Secretary---Nominated and Accepted nomination —Clint Smith
Write Ins: none
- Voting starts. There were very few votes done, as there were no eligible candidates other then he accepted nominations. A VERY brief election was done.
- The final count;

President Tom Gee, Jr 1; there were no announced write in votes.

Secretary Clint Smith 1; there were no announced write in votes.

NEW

- Dan Strong has divisional DVD's for sale for \$15 each.\$5 goes to Dan for his time, \$5 goes to the club and \$5 goes to the Wohlrabe family.
- Festival Foods had some events promoting their products and we had several drivers that showed up and Andy Monday spoke to one of their managers about possibly sponsoring us in some way
- Budweiser told Tom they may have more changes and there might be a future reduction in what \$\$ they are offering. We may have to look at all options for this, as well as entertaining more new sponsors.

- Sport Mods...would like to do some sort of triple crown possibly the week after the R, W and B nights.
- Employee reviews: will look as ways to cut some expenses. We will also look at the “freebies” list from FRRC and W.I.R and work to reduce this.
- Radios---we may need to look to Bud from Race-Com for possibly fixing them or replacing some of them.
- RULES meetings will be run similar to past years; dates to be decided soon
- We would like to go back to a 15 week season the Thursday before Memorial Day until the end of August, which is 15 weeks.
- Advisory vote for possibly taking the Thursday after the Dixieland Race off, as that week we typically have a lower crowd every year.
- Dave Stammer mentioned we would have one less sponsor, but Pat Roeser said we typically don't have a pavilion sponsor for the last night, so we would likely not have to skip any sponsors.
- ADVISORY VOTE:
FOR taking night off---35
NOT for taking the night off---16
- No Plan B next year...we will review what the payouts currently are and possibly make some small adjustments. There will only be ONE payout plan, besides R,W and B
- Throwback nights were not good \$\$ nights. The amount of fans did not go up significant enough to offset the cost. We will likely keep the \$12 gate and do the sport mods the week after R, W and B. instead to help boost those following weeks.
- Lowell Bennett said that currently the R W and B are just adding 15 extra laps, but other than that it is the same as a weekly event.
- Pat Roeser mentioned that we still want the memorial races to honor our history, but we want them all to be 35 laps and ONLY R, W and B to be 50 laps.
- Dennis Chase asked about what we would do about rainouts for sport mods nights...would they be the following week. Joe will work on sponsors to pay the sport mods onto a 3 race deal.
- Pat Roeser explained how much we made on the sport mods nights. We ONLY paid each driver \$50 per car. The rest ALL came from extra sponsors. Each driver brought at LEAST 1 other pit member, so we made money on them without even looking at the crowd count. Overall, the club made \$6,800 that night.
- 2 rules meetings nights.....
One night for SLM first and then LM after
Second night for SS and Sizlin 4's after
Figure Eights will have their own discussion amongst themselves first and then we will get together with them.

ADVISORY VOTE for RULES meetings 25 for 5th Quarter;;; 28 for Lake Park Pub
We will do them at Lake Park Pub

Topics from the floor

- Bing Bong mentioned that maybe the lifetime membership/free passes should be taken away. Otherwise we are losing money on a nightly basis at the gate.
- Mike Butz mentioned he agrees, as some people just can just be an officer for 2 years and then gets in free for life. Hank Calmes mentioned that he also agrees with this, as just at the banquet alone there were a lot of free meals. Tom explained that the banquet freebies were employees that worked, lifetime members, sponsors, officers, etc.
- Dennis Chase asked if we considered doubling up on some nights with sponsorships. He said we make a lot of money on these, especially if we have extra sponsors interested.
- Mike Butz said if we can get extra sponsors why not try to set those up.
- Dave Stammer just said make sure we have the language in the contract to reflect rain dates.
- Mike Butz asked about wall sponsors. That \$\$\$ goes to W.I.R.
- Taylor Haufschildt mentioned that he did a lot of promotional things this year at Motorama and he

- said a lot of people don't even know where we are or what nights we race. They also have digital billboards you can change weekly.
- Dave Stammer mentioned that we should look at making the R, W and B nights look different than normal nights.
 - Mike Butz asked about the tire contract. We have not been a part of any meeting about the tires yet, but we are looking at all our options for next year. We are meeting with Greg McKarns soon with all the other promoters and would like to decide after that meeting what the FRRC will do next year for tires.
 - Dennis Chase mentioned that the 35/45 tires have changed over the years. Hoosier will need to be approached about this. Brent Strelka said he spoke to Greg and he said they have said they can put some more rubber back on them. Tom will talk to Todd Thelan about the LM's as they may be going to D-800 and SLM likely 35/45. Jim Duchow mentioned he is pretty sure Big Eight and Slinger LM's are running the D-800. Brent Strelka said the Dells runs this tire, as well.
 - Dennis Chase asked if there is someone from the club going or not to Greg;s meeting. Tom said it sounds like a 2 day deal with a hotel room. So, we are still deliberating.

Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made by Sawyer Effertz seconded by Kyle Calmes
Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Next Meeting is on November 27th , 2017 at 7pm location: 5Th Quarter