

## GENERAL MEETING NOTES

DATE: Monday, September 24, 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 Gordie Sannes Jr, seconded by Mike Clancy. Motion Carried.

Pat Roeser handed out the monthly summary of finances and reviewed important items of note from the Treasurer's report. Still waiting on a few invoices to come in. We do not have a final number yet for points fund, but we should have approximately \$30,000 or two to three thousand more after everything is said and done.

Dave Stammer asked if Werner Electric carried over for their rainout, Tom said it was not carried over, as there were options for the rainout (pavilion for the last night, tent, their 100 tickets to be used for rest of the season, etc.) Tom explained that Roger talked to Werner last year before the FRRC could explain the options to her. Tom told her that was a one time deal, due to being such a great sponsor for so many years, but that we could not carry it over again to next season.

Tom Gee said the officers made some tough decisions to try to create a points fund, based on not having any for the past couple years.

Motion to accept made by Mike King, seconded by Mike Clancy. Motion carried.

### OLD

- Banquet update: It will be October 20th at Darboy Club: likely starting around 7pm. More details will be posted.
- BANQUET SPONSORS NEEDED: Looking for banquet sponsors for trophies and beer \$200 a piece (See Pat)
- Banquet Ticket prices...\$20. Please contact Pat to purchase these. Pat will also post a schedule of which days he will come to the 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter to sell tickets.
- Additional Nominations for V.P. and Treasurer; thus far we have

Vice.President—*Nominated and Accepted Nominations: Mike Bunnell*

*Others nominated and undecided: Marty Nussbaum-STILL UNDECIDED*

*Rob Vandermoss—HAS ACCEPTED*

*Other nominations: none*

Treasurer---*Nominated and Accepted nomination —Pat Roeser, Hank Calmes*

*Other nominations: none*

*We will still accept write-in candidates at the October meeting, but right after reading off our previous meeting minutes at that meeting, we will be voting and electing our two officers for the next two years.*

- Andy Monday said that the biggest change that he received complaints about was the pay changes for the lower few cars. Tom explained that the “pay to start” was being based on 18 cars in the feature. He explained that we should have stated it was based on an 18 car feature and we can define this better in the future. 19<sup>th</sup> was supposed to match the first non-transfer cars. Andy Monday mentioned that although we had a great points fund, we took money from the lower placing cars, but yet gave \$500 more to the Blue race payouts. Tom said to clear up any future confusion, we will create points cards and have the pay right there and locked in for everyone to see.
- Rob Vandermoss questioned if the pay in the semi feature matched 19<sup>th</sup> why would the cars even want to transfer. Tom said the thinking was to make the cars want to compete in the feature instead of riding around in the back.
- Jack Effertz questioned where the payouts have changed, as he said second changed from \$750.00 to \$700.00. John Anthony and Andy Monday said the communication needs to improve, as the changes in pay were not voted on or explained prior to taking place. Clint confirmed that all 4 officers saw the suggested changes and were fine with them, but thought the drivers knew about them. Tom again said communication on things like this will be better next year. It was questioned how the process took place. Tom read off the changes on practice day to Matt in the tower who entered them into the computer. Clint was also present for most of this process.
- Maxwell Schultz asked if we are changing topics, as he feels the Blue race was handled like crap. He feels the consequences for what happened was minimal based on what occurred. Mike Bunnell explained that points and pay was lost for the #8 car for the night and the points check for the year. Mike Bunnell mentioned that there was nothing in the bylaws concerning specific fights, so we did the best we could based on what occurred. The officers need to consider changes to the bylaws to have more specific rules and consequences to cover things like this. Max feels like a calendar year suspension would have been a better consequence, as what if a traveler did this ? A calendar year suspension would have likely been honored by the POWAR tracks.
- Maxwell questioned why people thought he was suspended, as he was only told he was on probation. Mike said the consequences were handled the best the officers could. Dave Stammer also said the officers did the best they could.

- Maxwell asked about why the top 3 in red, white and blue points didnt get a trophy. It was explained that those trophies have always been provided by W.I.R., but we can look into it for the future.
- Brent Strelka said rules are listed, but common sense needs to be taken into consideration.
- Andy Monday said the consistency is what needs to be considered, as the Maxwell Schultz situation should have been handled differently.
- Mike King asked if the situation with Phil Lehl's suspension was consistent, as Mike Butz was also suspended the rest of the season. Mike Bunnell said Butz lost his pay for the night and the points check for the season. It will need to be cleared up in the future.
- No date has been set yet for any bylaw changes.

## **NEW**

- RULES meetings will be run similar to past year; dates to be decided soon

## ***TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR***

- Question about who the tech people will be; yet to be decided.
- Rob Vanderboss questioned why the tower overruled a decision. The situation was #2 and #3 were deemed involved. #50 tapped out. The flag man said the #50 could not tap out, as he was not deemed involved by the turn 2 spotter. The other situation involved a car having contact and a car getting placed in the back after the race was over. Tom said the flagman made the final call in both situations. Clint and other officers confirmed that this was true.
- Advisory vote was taken on having a mid-season meeting, as drivers meetings are too short to accomplish anything. 32 in favor and 1 opposed.
- Tom wrapped up by saying that self-promoting on Facebook by all members helped promote product. We did not spend any money on radio advertising, but because Danny still uses WAPL for the dragstrip, we might be getting a free 5 minute plug on their radio show.
- Dave Stammer asked if payroll went down from past years, and it was confirmed it did go down significantly, but we don't have the exact numbers.
- Jack Effertz asked about who gets paid during a rainout on the sheets, as far as

W.I.R employees, etc. He didn't know that TRACK employees were getting half pay for rainouts. Pat explained that W.I.R. employees get half pay once we open the gates, as they already reported to work, same as FRRC employees.

- Rob Vandermoss mentioned that 2 nightly sponsors gave him complaints. One of them was angry that the 50/50 sponsors had confusion. Tom said that this was confusing to him, as well. He said Danny didn't know that some nights were covered and others weren't, so with the changing of the guard, there was confusion and we were double booked. The sponsor did rightfully get the night in those situations and Danny rectified it from that point on (the 4<sup>th</sup> of July night). Tom states that the club would be taking over this process next year to clear up any future confusion.
- Budweiser double paid by accident. We returned the extra, but Trisha would like to do a big race sponsored by Budweiser next year.
- Andy Monday mentioned that the new Fivestar body will be released next month, but it is still not ABC approved.
- Brent Strelka said Greg McKarns is on the ABC board, but as of now it is not approved.

Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made by Sawyer Effertz seconded by Mike Meyerhofer Sr.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

**Next Meeting is on October 22, 2018 at 7pm location: 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter**