
REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING APRIL 12 2018

Called to Order at 7:14

Attendance Called

Secretary's Minutes

Roger Wright makes a motion to accept. John Shipman Seconds. All in favor. Motion Carries

Treasurer's Report

Amy Reviews Treasurer's report. Dan Wallace makes a motion to approve. Tom Spain seconds. All in favor. Motion Carries.

My Race Pass

We have had a conference calls with them Steve Richardson is working with them to get the design completed. Melissa Hickox is trying to get pictures together for the site.

Grand Opening Celebration

We will have radio advertising, sponsored by Aerotek. They are also donating their radio remote. We will need people to sign up to help work for the grand opening. Dan Wallace questions parking for the larger display cars. Dan is concerned about the state of the pavement. We will park the larger cars early in the morning and facilitate a way for them to get out easily. Glen Campbell and Roger Wright will assist with parking that day. We will have guest speakers, raffle items, ribbon cutting ceremony. We will race that evening, 1 heat and a feature.

Arrive and Drive

Cindy gives an update about arrive and drive. Things are on track. We will need more volunteers for arrive and drive. Cindy wants to know is we need two or three different sized cars. Two smalls, two mediums and one large. Skip will still need to finish cars, parts are on order. Skip will need remotes for the cars. There were 5 shocks that were in bad shape, and replacements needed to be gotten. Greg Dillion questions missing parts, are the parts stolen? Do we need to pursue legal action? Brian states that he has the three motors for the scholarship cars in the back of his car.

New Logo Contest

We had 5 entries to the new logo contest. Dawson Wright won the contest. His logo will go on our shirts for the year.

Regional Date Change

Regionals are now one day events, on Saturday with Sunday as a rain date. Grands schedule has also been changed to Tuesday – Saturday.

Transponders

Available for purchase, if needed. Walter has confirmed for this weekend, time to be determined.

Concession Fee

There will be a concession fee of \$80 for the year, per full regular racing membership. Money is due before your racer/family can sign in to race. If you do not have a racer on the track, then you would not have to pay the dues. Monies earned from concessions will not be paid out of the cash drawer, it will be paid by the treasurer. You must be 16 to work in the concession stand.

New Website

Steve has gotten the minutes posted to the old website. We are developing a new website with My Race Pass. Amy states that the drivers can possibly have their own pages as well. Questions around using the transponders with a live feed to the website.

MoScore

Walter Pate will be here both Saturday and Sunday to do training with MoScore. We are inviting ALL who are interested to participate. Leave your name and number so that we can set up a time that works for this training. Walter will review how to set up races, run the scoreboard, etc.

By Laws

By Laws have been edited and they are being reviewed by an attorney. He will submit his suggestions back to the club for review. The attorney isn't billing at the moment, so we are not pushing for them to be completed more quickly. Doug Dillion suggests offering the review as community service hours.

RaceCeivers

We will be using RaceCeivers for all drivers.

2017 Treasurer

In the January meeting it was brought to the attention of the club that we suffered late fees last year. The board had made a motion that Stan Hawthorne be suspended for the duration of 12 months starting April 5th of 2018 through and including March 31st of 2019. In addition to his suspension he may never again hold any THQMA elected position. Motion includes recommendation that Stan Hawthorne not be able to hold an elected position at both Regional and National levels as well.

Board also recommends that we make FoTHQMA aware that Stan is no longer a member in good standing.

The reasoning for this is to treat Stan equally. He did not do his duty as per the bylaws, neither did our secretary. Greg Dillion asks for amounts and frequency of the amounts. Duke energy was late, Sam's club was late, trash was late. Tom Spain asks if we are prepared as board members to have the same consequences if we make 1-3 mistakes as well. 8 Duke bills, 4 had disconnect notices. The next bill from duke charged a \$200.00 deposit. We had a credit card with Sam's club. It was shut off for non-payment. It was reinstated for 10,000.00. It was reduced to 1,000.00 due to bad credit. Greg Dillion states that he requested a special meeting to discuss this specific issue and it was determined that it was due to transition. Doug Dillion asks if we knew that the Sam's club was going to Stan. Doug asks if Stan was asked to come to the board and explain himself. Reed states that he asked Stan in the January meeting what happened and he laughed at me. It was asked how the bills are being pain. Amy states that she has things set up automatically or writes checks. Mic Landes states that it took several months to repay members their expenses. Greg states that although he had issue with Stan, he did come through with documentation if asked. Amy states that documentation is hard to track for the tax return. Amy highlights that we did not have insurance, this was due to Stan's neglect.

Alan presents a letter from Stan. The letter addresses the issues that the board of directors are holding against Stan and present Stan's take on these charges.

Matt Hickox states that this facility is not complete. We cannot race, members are doing the work, why didn't the contractors finish the job. Denny Meneely states that the club wanted the club to save money.

Doug Dillion asks if the Sam's Bill was in Stan's name or address in order for him to pay it?

Tom Spain asks who has the sole responsibility of this club? Not one individual, the board.

But, if the president oversees the club, is it not the President's responsibility.

Jayne highlights that the treasurer should have collect all of the money due. Several members state that they have paid the secretary, for multiple years, not just last year. It should not have been Stan's responsibility only to collect those funds.

Jayne states that we should not follow the by laws due to it being differently in the past?

Jayne states that she reviewed the by laws and based her facts on those solely.

Jodi Wilson states that if we continue on disciplining members and acting this way we will not have any members left.

Loren Shaffer makes a motion to revoke the board's decision on Stan. Greg Dillion seconds. Matt Hickox does not know that the membership has the right to revoke that decision. Greg Dillion states that we should have brought this to the membership before we made a decision.

Greg Dillion makes a motion that if Stan sues the officers, that we do not use the club's money to defend them. Jayne states that he cannot make a motion because it is not on the agenda.

Alan states that the board overstepped the power and did wrong.

How can we enforce by laws that were never enforced before? There need to be by laws, but we cannot act on one individual based on our current by laws.

Jack Potts called a point of order. Mic Landes notes that the transition from one board to another is not adequate. Jayne speaks to this, yes she agrees.

Travis Norris questions why Angie's discipline went to QMA and not Stan's. Jayne states that Angie's involved QMA funds, Stan's did not.

Due Process for Membership

Alan states that he is disappointed in this organization. He is deeply hurt that we are in the situation that we are in right now. We are arguing this topic and not celebrating the opening of the new facility. This is a process that has taken 6 years. Stan dedicated his time and was deeply involved in this decision. Stan has civic connections to this club bringing thousands of dollars-worth of sponsorships. He has gotten re-involved with the visitor's bureau. Stan even volunteer two of his own cars for the arrive and drive. What does Stan receive in return? It is a personal attack on Stan, retaliation, retribution. Angie was given an opportunity to respond, and 4 weeks to produce the money that was missing. Jayne used the term facts, not allegation. It was presented as facts. This board did not give Stan and opportunity to respond to these charges. In fact, one member of the board did not even know the man and passed judgement. In the real world, how would this have been handled. Who will be next? You are afforded due process, this did not take place. Alan does apologize for how he said the things he said, not for the content. Personal agendas need to stay out of the board room, we are here to represent the membership. Alan reviews fact sheet presented at board meeting.

Executive Session

Jayne states that we kept the investigation private to keep from tarnishing Stan's reputation. Greg questions the ability for our board to hold executive session. Doug Dillion states that someone's impression is not facts. Jodi asks if the any one on the board has changed their minds after attending tonight's meeting.

Nancy asks if the board can have a special session to readdress these issues with Stan.

Alan makes a motion that because due process was not being used before the decision to suspend Stan was made, that we revoke the decision by the board. Dan Wallace seconds. Jack Potts opposes, Matt Hickox opposes, Kevin Strong opposes. All others in favor. Motion Carries.

Open Discussion

Jack Potts states that we need an air compressor tank.

Questions around using the track tomorrow due to the rain this weekend. Dusty Wright is working track and installing huggy poles Friday night.

Novice practices will be on Sundays from 1p-3p and Tuesdays from 6:30p-8p. Novice practices will begin on April 29th as long as Arrive and Drive is not rained out the prior day. Track will be closed during those times. After test and tune the track will be open for use.

All cars must be pass safety for THQMA.

Greg Dillion notes that you need to get your car's safety inspection completed this weekend if possible. Cars can still be inspected before the Grand Opening.

Billboard, Dan states that there is talk of getting a billboard to advertise our track. He suggests that we use a billboard on 70 to advertise our club.

Brian discusses that ACE signs is installing a sign outside of the track.

Test and Tune

Will start 8-10 on Saturday and Sunday.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered their time to come out to work days! Thank you to Greg Dillion for the playground, Jack Potts for coming to each work day, Denny for bringing the roller, Alan and his wall committee, Heather Cioch and Melissa Hickox for food during the work days, Mike Frey for getting the huggy poles. And so many others for everything that they have done to get us where we are today!

Jack Potts makes a motion to adjourn. Dan Wallace seconds. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned.

**** Minutes Posted to website Pending Approval at next Membership Meeting****