

MINUTES OF THE KARTING SA (AKASA) SPECIAL MEETING HELD 28 NOVEMBER 2016
Held via conference call.

AKASA Executive	Peter Fritz, Danny Miller, Simone Lake & Melissa Rees
AKASA Elected Officials	Rod Clee

BGKC	Simon Granfield	BHKC	Ben Lake
DGKC	Simon Rees	GKCSA	David Rinaldi
MGKC	Rod Clee	SGKC	Jim Gorman
WGKC	Neil Schmidt		

Visitors	David Dowson, Danny Somerville, Brett Fortanier & Andrew Jericho
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Meeting declared open at 8.05pm. List of attendees noted.

Introduction

First thing to address is the minutes, distributed late this afternoon. Two sets of minutes distributed – one recorded by MR and one recalled by PF. This difference is particularly around the subject matter for tonight’s call. SGKC have sent a letter to have recent decision on the calendar order revoked. A key component was regarding the structure of the meeting and how meeting was handled.

There were technical challenges with PF phone falling off, key component was when vote was taken to end up at a tie – BGKC text vote was concluded to be that tie. In a tied situation PF makes the casting vote. PF recalled that once he returned to the phone and realised where we were at there was no provision for a proxy vote to be counted. Sequence of events may have been confused with robust discussion and technology problems. PF apologised that he confused GKCSA constitution with AKASA constitution. GKCSA allows Chairman to cast deciding vote in event of a tie. This however does not form part of AKASA constitution.

First priority to sort out whether recollection of other people on the call matches what PF has written which is to not count BGKC call. If this is the case – PF casting deciding vote is irrelevant. Comments: Discussion held.

Motion – to accept the disputed set of minutes sent by PF – not seconded – motion lapsed.

Motion – to accept MR minutes – BHKC / SGKC – Yes – BHKC/MGKC/SGKC/DGKC/against GKCSA / abstain WGKC / BGKC – motion carried.

Outcome of carried motion – Motion put forward from last Tuesday to be rescinded due to procedural error.

Overview

This situation is bought about by the lateness of getting KA calendar and due to sponsorship opportunities, moving the first round. Clipsal one weekend, Rotax Pro-Tour the next and then First round of state series. 3 weekends in a row is absolutely less than ideal but that is what we have.

Challenges – allowing karters to practice, front end of the calendar heavily loaded with SGKC if we change them to first round, then latter half loaded with GKCSA. No one is disadvantaged with practicing for the state round – if you are a person who only races at home club and don’t go anywhere else. Gap all sorts of assertions on other stuff – mean temperature between two sites, in less than 1 degree. SGKC closer to the city depending on where you live. Did decide later in meeting to share costs and entry fees so no real negative with going first or last.

SGKC – In relation to the front end of the calendar loaded with SGKC – there is no need to put extra race meeting as practice a couple of weeks prior to the state titles as that didn’t work very well for 2016. Small changes, not ideal but still workable, obviously going to mean little bit of shuffling but wouldn’t think it would need too much. JG – one thing that happens if we have first round at Monarto – committee members of SGKC – severely disadvantaged by not having ability to practice. If at SGKC – puts all karters in SA on the same level.

GKCSA – Disappointed whole state titles debate has divided the state - should be bringing state together. If held at GKCSA – provides balanced calendar. Travel distances fairly similar for all. Need to support all National events held in the state. Pro Tour SGKC and Nationals GKCSA – need to all support running of both events to highlight the state. Without co-operatively working together - disappointing. Also frustrated to see quite a few people on our committee stressed with how this situation is going – members saying stick it go and do something else. Maybe we should run all 3 at BGKC.

Had a recap and overview – floor open:

WGKC – question - has it been decided about BGKC holding round 2? Suggest whoever had last round last year should get first round this year. Motion for host club from last round from previous year to host first round for following year on rotational basis. WGKC / GKCSA – SGKC – No / MGKC – No / BHKC – No / DGKC – No / BGKC – abstain – motion failed.

BGKC – Motion to accept Version 10.3 of calendar as distributed with minor club day changes from Country clubs – BGKC / GKCSA – BGKC – Yes / GKCSA – Yes / WGKC – Yes / DGKC – Yes / BHKC – Yes / SGKC – No / MGKC – No – motion passed.

PF - Apologise for error last week and extra time spent last week but glad to get through that. Clarification of 4 different types of meetings allowed in the constitution. Nothing in constitution that allows a proxy vote (rules of debate) nor does it say vote must be in person outside of

special meeting. Telephone meetings acceptable. February meeting set up to rewrite constitution to ensure meets current requirements – DM and JG to work together on draft.

Summary

PF - Personally the challenges around calendar PF will wear a lot of responsibility for. Decision has been made that he does not have the necessary time available to manage it correctly making process more difficult than it should be. 2017 will see a dramatic increase in overseas travel requirements so he has tendered his resignation effective from 31st December.

SKC will manage an election in February to give clubs time to figure out what they want. DM will step into the role in the interim. PF proud of what has been achieved this year and looks forward to continuing karting and spending time at the track and racing. Thanks folks for working respectfully toward a common goals – thank for time and supporting the sport and all the best for the future.

Thanks for time this evening important to have the resolution of the calendar – see you at the track. Call ended 8.50pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PJ Frost'. The signature is written in a cursive, fluid style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.