

Region 4 BOD & Club Presidents Teleconference

Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2007

Call to order

Dave Mikels called to order the teleconference meeting of the **Region 4 Board** at **9:05 P.M.** on Monday, **May 21, 2007**.

Roll call

Officers present: Dave Mikels (Regional Director), Bill Perry (Assistant Regional Director), Kim Mathias (Secretary), Michelle Troyer (Treasurer), Rob Stambaugh (Safety), John Klimowicz (Publicity), Pete Hawkins (Tech)

Toledo Issue

A driver was participating in Light 160 prior to being eight years old. The handler went through the Novice committee to see if the driver could move up to Light 160 prior to running a year in a competitive class. However, the handler failed to mention that the driver was not yet eight. The driver has participated in 4 points events at Toledo and at the Mini Indy R4 Championship event.

The board discussed what consequences should be given. The board determined that the following should happen:

1. Take away all points earned at Toledo and Mini Indy. It was up to the Toledo club if they wanted to refund sign in fees at Toledo. However, R4 would not be refunding sign in fees from Mini Indy.
2. Driver can run Light 160 when he turns eight, however the handler must go through the novice committee again including Dave Mikels.

Eric Rankine was then asked to join the call at 9:20 PM. Eric agreed to the terms. Kim looked at the roster and determined the driver would be eight on 5/25, so the driver would be eligible to run the States race in Light 160. Kim will send an email to Eric detailing the discussion so that Eric could forward the information to the handler. Eric left the call at 9:30 PM.

Request from Waterford Member

Jim Cremonesi, President of the Waterford club, received a request from one of his members that at R4 Championship events, the novice classes be one of the first races run after the transfer races rather than the first A main. The member felt that running the novices later in the day was a hardship on the novice drivers.

The board discussed this at length and determined that the request would be considered but no promises will be made about when the novices will run. It depends greatly on the car count and the number of races for the day. In addition, we have to put two races between AA races and using the novices during this time makes it easier to do so. In addition, we should encourage our novice families to assist during the day on Sunday. Novice families could also help the hosting club distribute trophies to the novices after the class has been through tech. Bill will send an email to Jim with the board's decision.

States Race

Board members and Miami Valley board members have been receiving numerous calls wondering if the States Race was going to be run on Monday (Memorial Day). The weather forecast is calling for intermittent showers on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Dave reiterated his stance that there will be no racing on Monday. He feels that we should honor our veterans on that day.

There are currently 237 cars pre-registered. The board discussed some options that could be considered, including eliminating practice or reducing practice to 1 or 2 minutes. The board will meet at 9am on Saturday to determine time limits and a plan of action based on car count and weather conditions.

Adjournment

Dave Mikels adjourned the meeting at **10:30 P.M.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by: **Kim Mathias**