

## SWMS Meeting Minutes



May 16th, 2024

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### General

Note: This board meeting was held online, using Google Meet videoconferencing.

The meeting was started at 6:00PM by President J. Neuman. By 6:15PM, a quorum had not been met. Those present agreed to quickly review topics, updates, and news. A brief summary follows:

#### 1. Announcements from the President:

- April SWMS Race “Springtime in the Desert”
  - Race Chair Z. Myers did an excellent job, many positive compliments.
  - Weather was an issue on Saturday, again, Z. Myers did a great job getting a full schedule accomplished prior to the severe thunderstorms at 1PM.
  - The Friday-Saturday two day race weekend was well attended, good data for future consideration on a Friday race day.
- Karting Fees at Suika Circuit
  - E. Cahan asked why the kart fees were increased to match the car fees (\$250 for a single day). These high fees are negatively decreasing karting attendance.
  - J. Neuman to talk to Suika Circuit, likely just an oversight in setting up the new Suika Circuit MSR registration page.
  - Once J. Neuman hears back, E. Cahan to share (hopefully) reduced karting fee structure to wider karting group.

#### 2. Old Business

- April Minutes: Approval shifted to next board meeting, pending full quorum.
- MotorsportsReg and Membership Renewals
  - Karting memberships are significantly lower in 2024 compared to prior years, the aforementioned karting fee issue might be the root cause.
  - A. Sanford briefed that SWMS and Suika Circuit have updated Suika Circuit registrations with a field which asks for SWMS membership number. In general, most are entering their number and/or renewing to get their number. Some members have difficulties and/or need to renew. As a placeholder, 999 can be entered as a membership number to bypass the step.
    - A. Sanford and W. Myers working to consolidate an updated, single list of members and memberships. J. Neuman noted that he had some updates to integrate into the new list too.

#### 3. New Business

- Race Chairs for 2024 Season
  - A. Sanford volunteered to serve as race chair for Suika Super Cup race weekend in July.
- Board Meeting Calendar Reminders
  - It was noted that although digital calendar invites were set up and sent to SWMS members for all board meetings, perhaps a reminder email is required.
  - S. DeBerry wondered if a calendar “app” or page could also be added to the SWMS website. A. Sanford to investigate.

- MotorsportsReg Request for HPDE
  - S. Marino has asked if the Suika Circuit MSR could somehow automatically notify him of who is registered for HPDE.
    - The list of confirmed registrations is publicly available on the MSR webpage for each race weekend.
    - It was noted that some HPDE registrations are happening with 24-48 hours of the first day of the race event, something to review and consider with Suika Circuit.
    - S. DeBerry wondered if having passing the SWMS registration laptop to each race chair prior to their event would help with registration and schedule generation. Not all race chairs have Microsoft Office software.

#### **4. Treasurers Report**

- Note: J. Neuman and S. DeBerry continue to act as the SWMS Treasurer. The SWMS Treasurer board position continues to remain vacant, despite many attempts to engage a volunteer to serve in the role.
- J. Neuman to obtain a quote for the NM state required non-profit board member insurance.

#### **5. Attendance:** A. Sanford, J. Neuman, B. DeBerry, S. DeBerry, M. Tribble, E. Cahan.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM.

The next board meeting is planned to be held in June 2024. See separate upcoming email for meeting details.