

Highland Lakes Flyers Club

Chartered Club 2317, Academy of Model Aeronautics

Approved Minutes, March 16, 2010



Convene at 7:00 PM, Kingsland Library, President Mike McDougall Presiding: Required quorum was eleven. Attendance consisted of 16 Adult Members, 2 Honorary Members, 3 Associate Members, and one Junior Member - total attendance was 22.

Member Concerns: John Krumbek was reported to be undergoing a diagnostic procedure on March 17th.

Reviewed Minutes From January 19, 2010 Meeting: A motion to approve by Bob Holmes, seconded by Rusty Nefford, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Autrey provided a financial summary for income and expense through March 1st. In the operating account, there was income of \$435.00, and expense of \$1,877.38. The January 1st balance was \$6,931.70. The March 1st balance was \$5,489.32. In the runway escrow account, there was income of \$650.40, and no expense. The January 1st balance was \$4,571.95. The March 1st balance was \$5,222.35. A motion to approve by Wayne Meredith, seconded by Rusty Nefford, passed unanimously.

Safety Officer's Report: Rusty Nefford discussed the need for improved communication along the flight line when announcing takeoffs and landings. He reminded members that smoking is prohibited anywhere in the flight line area. He emphasized the requirement for spotters when more than four aircraft are simultaneously airborne.

OLD BUSINESS

Status of Field improvement projects:

- Spread a load of fine grade crushed rock on the parking area - COMPLETE
- Spread a load of medium grade crushed rock on the driveway - COMPLETE
- Construct a small storage cabinet to be located between the two main storage units using as much as possible the lumber presently stored onsite. Primary use would be storage for party / picnic supplies - IN PROGRESS - CONCRETE PAD IS INSTALLED
- Refurbish old sign at entry to field - PENDING
- Replace door on the metal storage building - PENDING
- Permanent installation of three electric charging stations and DC power source - PENDING
- Install additional steel panels on main pavilions - PENDING
- Hook up electric power to new shed - PENDING
- Clean and paint props and posts at outer gate by treatment facility - PENDING
- Re-paint the flight line equipment benches PENDING
- Discard old rusty folding chairs, and replace with new chairs - PENDING
- Acquire a metal cabinet for coffee supplies - PENDING
- Trim brush along Williamette Road - PENDING
- Repair / replace ceiling fans in shelters - New Item - PENDING
- Add Petromat to extend flight line to north - New Item - DELETED OWING TO COST

NEW BUSINESS

Field Improvements: Ed Bullock requested repair of the wheel on the gate at the field entry.

Picnic Planning: May 15th Annual HLF Picnic. Bill Autrey discussed the issues and a decision was made for the club to provide hamburgers and sausages in addition to drinks and condiments. As usual, this will be a potluck affair.

Swap Meet Planning: Coordinator Wayne Meredith conducted a discussion and solicited suggestions. Decisions were made to charge \$5.00 for entry, and \$5.00 per table. Hamburgers and sausages would be served starting at 10:00 AM. Doors will be open from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM regardless of attendance. Wayne will prepare and submit the AMA advertisement. Mike McDougall mentioned that AMA will soon only include these ads online and they will be excluded from Model Aviation.

Trash Disposal Issues & Smoker's Etiquette: Mike McDougall discussed the need for smokers to use the new butt can rather than ash trays or discarding on the ground.

Approve Date Changes: A motion by Wayne Meredith, seconded by Rusty Nefford, to change the Swap Meet from September 18th to August 21st, and the AMA Sanctioned Float Fly from August 21st & 22nd to September 18th & 19th, passed unanimously.

Review 2010 AMA Safety Rules: Mike McDougall reviewed AMA's new safety standards.

2010 AMA Gold Club: Mike McDougall announced that Highland Lakes Flyers once again qualified for AMA's Gold Leader Club status. Lapel pins relating to this award were passed out to members.

Transfer Additional Funds From Operating Account to Runway Escrow Account: Mike McDougall mentioned that Petromat costs have increased sharply, rendering the amount escrowed for runway replacement inadequate. He discussed the need to transfer additional funds from the operating account to the runway account. Bill Autrey will evaluate the club's financial needs and determine how much can be transferred without adversely effecting the club's operations. A final decision will be made at the May meeting.

Public Service Event: Mike McDougall relayed a request from the principal of Colt Elementary School in Marble Falls. The school is conducting an event relating to aviation. Following unanimous approval of a motion by Rusty Nefford, seconded by Howard Hilton, Highland Lakes Flyers will participate as follows: Tuesday morning, March 23rd, HLF will perform 30 minute electric flight demos at 8:30 AM, 9:30 AM, and 10:30 AM. Then, on Friday, March 26th, from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM, HLF members will provide a static display of model aircraft in the school's cafeteria.

Equipment Donation: Larry Stephens was recognized for donating a used yard blower for the club's use.

Schedule Work Session(s): Mike McDougall scheduled a work session for the morning of March 17th to pick up road trash and do some mowing and trimming.

Adjourn Business Meeting at 8:17 PM

A Mini-Swap Meet was conducted after the meeting closed

**Dave Schaefer
HLF Secretary**