

6 December 2017

IRKS E BOARD

Minutes

The Following were present:

President Gerry Armstrong
Vice President Charlie Gray
Recording Secretary Roger Hardin
Treasurer John Van Workum
Membership Secretary Steve Formanek
Safety Officer Scott Bauman
Event Coordinator Ron Mock

President's Report: President Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. November concessions were \$17.00, and 50 / 50 brought in \$15.00 for a total of \$32.00 to add to our Flying Site Fund. The total in the fund now stands at \$53,360.10, with \$951.65 still in allocated funds so the total available funds are \$52,408.45.

There were no motions at the last regular meeting and there have been no noise complaints.

Gerry reported that, within the last couple weeks, someone has been driving on both the park flyer area and the main runway area at the 524 site and has caused damage that will need to be repaired at a considerable cost. There was discussion and the consensus was that it was caused by a member "just not thinking". All agreed that it was serious and Gerry will publish something in the AIRSCOOP asking that anyone who knows who's responsible for the damage to contact the E-Board. (See attached document from President Armstrong.)

Gerry received the flying site renewal letter from Brevard County and it will be sent back to the county tomorrow along with the \$44.22 fee that they require. Treasurer John Van Workum will contact the AMA to find out if they will send the insurance forms directly to the Valkaria Airport. (Secretary's Note: Roger will look for and send copies of our current certificates to President Armstrong.)

In other business Gerry said he has made the reservations at Rooney's Restaurant for our annual banquet. He also noted that the pilot shade remains need to be trashed; John Van Workum said he would haul them to the dump.

Several proposed By-Laws changes were discussed with most of the changes only involving the wording. President Armstrong had previously sent documents with proposed changes to each board member and board members had the opportunity to review them and make additional changes. The final recommendations for changes (from the board) will be presented to members in the December Airscoop and at the December meeting.

Regarding the budget President Armstrong presented a document with a proposed budget for 2018 for the Flying Site Fund (see attached.) Some upgrades to the charging station were included. There was some discussion regarding what expenses should be paid for from the Flying Site Fund and what should come from the General Fund; Gerry said he would adjust the proposed budget accordingly.

Membership Secretary Steve Formanek's Report: Steve said he was asked by Richard Bohn about the criteria for opening and closing the flying field. Gerry responded that one of our members, Allen Hinton, works at the 524 facility and he gives Gerry a daily report on the field status. Gerry said that the main concern is that if there is standing water on the road then the field is closed. Steve then asked if we could publish this so everyone knows.

Gerry responded that we can do that. (Secretary's Notes: It was later decided that President Armstrong would publish the E-Board meeting minutes to the website for all to see. Roger Hardin has copies of previous E- Board meeting minutes and anyone who wants to see those should contact him.) Gerry went on to say that field closures are a judgment call and that decisions need to be made.

Steve furthermore said he has been asked by some members if our By-Laws are "overly restrictive", are there "other" rules being used, are we following the AMA Charter, and are we adhering to the lease agreement with the county? Discussion ensued that our By-Laws are indeed based on recommendations from the AMA, there are no "hidden rules", and that we are in compliance with the AMA Charter and our lease agreements with the county. It was brought up that having these documents available would provide "transparency" for members. (Secretary's Note: The AMA Charter Club Certificate was sent to Gerry; the certificate only indicates that our club is an officially chartered club of the AMA and has no additional rules; there are however references to our insurance coverage on the second page of that document. Gerry should already have copies of the lease agreements for publication to the website.)

Recording Secretary Roger Hardin's Report: Roger told everyone that FAA Registration of pilots (who operate RC model aircraft weighing over 0.55 lbs.) is now a law and not just an FAA rule. Roger also presented a document with recommendations for future "Fun Flies" such that more types of models / pilots would be able to participate and also to make the events safer for both pilots and their aircraft (see attached.)

Treasurer John Van Workum's Report: John's General Fund Summary Report for November 30, 2017 is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

Vice-President Charlie Gray's Report: Charlie had nothing to report this evening.

Safety Officer Scott Bauman's Report: Scott had nothing to report this evening.

Event Coordinator Ron Mock's Report: Ron had no report this evening.

There was no other business to discuss so the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40 PM.

Attachments: "Who's Ruining Our Flying Site?" document
2018 Flying Site Fund Budget Proposal
Fun Fly Event Recommendations
IRKS General Fund Summary Report for November 2017

Who's ruining our flying site?

Someone has been driving on the runway and park flyer areas. This has caused ruts on the east and west ends of the runway and numerous ruts in the park flyer area.

This will cost hundreds of dollars to fix. If you know who's causing the damage, please let the executive board know. We feel the person or persons causing the damage should be the ones to pay for the damages, not the club.

No vehicles (cars, trucks or vans) are allowed on the flying surfaces for this reason.

2018 Flying Site Fund Budget Proposal

Proposed 2018 Flying Site Fund Budget			
Income		Expenses	
Membership Dues	3,365	Charging Station Upgrade	400
Concessions	180		
50/50	260		
Merchandise	100		
Donations	100		
Total	4,005	Total	400

Fun Fly Event Recommendations

1. Fun Flies should appeal to as many different types of pilots / planes as possible. This may result in more member participation, especially if prizes are awarded. Planning an event with competition that is geared only towards certain aircraft (such as gas-powered planes) essentially eliminates pilots that might primarily fly helis, park flyers, gliders, micro-flyers, C-line, etc.
2. Event tasks (loops, rolls, spins, etc.) could be timed starting with level flight at an altitude suitable for the type of aircraft being flown. Timing could end when the required number of maneuvers has been completed. (see #3 and #4 below)
3. Since many crashes occur during landing this task should not be included in the **timed** tasks. Landing might be more safely done, and points awarded, for aircraft that come to a “power off” stop closest to a bull’s eye or a pre-determined “hidden spot” (as we have done in the past.)

Note: During our last Fun Fly we had 2 pilots that experienced “mishaps” during landing which was included in the timed tasks.

4. For those pilots that fly primarily gliders or powered-gliders, events might include timed flight from winch/bungee launch or a certain time of motor run (for those planes that do not have run time or altitude-limiting devices.)

The above recommendations would require more categories of competition (perhaps more “helpers” as well) and number of overall prizes awarded (more \$\$\$.) A small “landing fee” of perhaps \$5 per pilot might not be too much to deter pilots from participation and may help to cover some of the costs of those prizes. Note: If a pilot competes in more than one category of aircraft events they would be charged \$5 per category.

Members could be surveyed regarding what types of “Fun Fly” competition they would be interested in, based on the types of aircraft they fly. They could also be asked if a small landing fee would be acceptable. Suitable ideas (as determined by the Event Coordinator) could be incorporated into plans.

Indian River Kontrol Society
General Fund Summary Report

November 30, 2017

Prior month balance	<u>3,482.64</u>
Income	
5118 · Dues 2018	<u>440.00</u>
Total Income	440.00
Expense	
6210 · Lawn Chemicals	72.27
6420 · Show and Tell	5.00
6500 · Office Supplies	103.88 - blank checks & stamps
7400 · Event Expense	<u>325.00</u> - prizes & food
Total Expense	506.15
New Balance (account 1110)	<u>3,416.49</u>
Equipment Fund	<u>1,085.37</u>