November 12th Meeting Minutes

Steve Higgins Called Meeting to Order 6:30

Introduction of Officers and Guests:

11 Members were present and 1 guest, Sandy Duvall

President – Steve Higgins Vice President – Jay Wellan Secretary – Mark Weeks Treasurer – Dart Sharp (Absent) Safety Officer – Michael Conniff

Minutes from October: Approval: The text has been added to the treasures report "Motion made, seconded and approved that we accept the budget as presented by Dart". A motion was made and passed to add text to minutes. Then the minutes were Approved

OFFICER REPORTS:

President:

Reminder: Please be sure to log in. It looks like some are signing the log and thank you. Please keep it up.

Also remember to pick up your trash. We need to be good stewards of our area.

Vice President:

There were no events to report on since the last meeting. But we did have a impromptu crawler crawl to try out the area that Len and Brian have been working on. With about 6 members attending, pretty fun area.

Our annual Christmas party is scheduled for our next meeting night, December 10th. We will have our annual gift exchange for those who wish to participate. It is a 25.00 gift exchange and will have both a men's table and a women's table.

The Rangers will be invited to attend as well as spouses and significant others.

Ron has volunteered to bring some music to play in the background.

And January 4th we will have the annual Freeze-in. We can hope for freezing weather and maybe a little snow to fly off, but no matter what it will be a good time.

Secretary: We currently have 48 members, and no one is in AMA default.

Treasurer: Mark reported for Dart and he reported that all bills submitted have been paid, and we have money in the bank still.

Safety Officer: Michael reported that he has not heard of any safety issues. There were a couple of hand launches that went awry so remember to always be aware of your surroundings.

Field Manager:

- The crawler area has had a few modifications, thanks to Len and Brian
- It's time to take down the remaining awnings. We will try Saturday, depending on the weather.
- The club house had been cleaned out putting wagons and hoses, ladders away in the container.
- Mark wanted to remind everyone that Electric Heaters are NOT allowed in the clubhouse. Propane heaters are allowed
- If you are the last to leave, please check the power box in the clubhouse and make sure that the breakers are turned off before you leave.
- Also, when charging batteries, you must use a charging bag in the clubhouse.
 Bags are in the cabinet, please return when you are done.
- Ron brought up the idea of having a fire/smoke detector added to the clubhouse. The board will investigate adding a battery powered smoke detector.
- This coming weekend the water to the field will be turned off and drained for the winter.

Newsletter Editor:

If you have any pictures that you may have taken in the field, please send them to Ron Swift or Mark Weeks, and we will get them on the website or in the newsletter.

Web:

We need pictures from events or just about anything else on both the Web site and the Newsletter. Please send it to Mark or Ron, and they will share it.

OLD BUSINESS:

A message was sent to the membership asking for volunteers to work with Ron as Club historians. Ron Beba and Doug Hoff have agreed to help. If you are interested, please let Ron or a board member know.

The What's App is active and works well. If you would like to join the group, please let Mark, or Steve know, and they can help get you started.

The Board is currently working on a proposal to share with the incoming board, for next year's event schedule. Mark sent out a survey and we received 22 responses. The board will take those into consideration when setting next year's event schedule. After the events have been choses Jay will contact the Contest directors and make sure there are no conflicts. The goal is to not have the doubling up of events as we had last year.

Board Nominations for 2025:

President: Steve Higgins

Vice President: Jay Wellen

Treasurer: Dart Sharp

Secretary: Mark Weeks

Safety Officer: Michael Conniff

Special Service Award:

Ron Swift asked if we could award co-winners. It is possible and will be discussed at the December meeting after voting has occurred.

Michael Conniff:

Mike Crews:

Voting will start 11/13/2024 and will end at the December's meeting. If you vote by email or the website votes are due Sunday at midnight before the meeting. The link and ballot will be sent to all current full paid members

NEW BUSINESS:

Christmas party: The club will provide Pizza sodas and desert for all those who attend. Beer and salad bar are on you.

It would be nice if you were planning on attending to let Jay Wellen know that you are coming and how many guests you will have.

As stated there will be a gift exchange and tickets will be given for drawing names.

If you would like to bring a dessert, please let Jay know that also.

PROGRAM: Rebuilders contest. There were no entries.

Announcements Steve shared his 3D printed eagle Videos are on out Facebook page. Very nice Steve can't wait to see it fly again.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:20