

Meeting minutes for April 7, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

The treasurers' report showed \$4143.26

As of April 7th, there are 48 paid members.

Old Business:

- 1) Rolling of the field will take place when field conditions improve. As of now, the thawing of the ground along with the latest round of rain will delay the rolling until extended warmer temps and reduction of precipitation allowing the field to dry out to withstand the weight of the roller.
- 2) Even though an email was sent out canceling the field work on Sat 4/5/2008, three members, Al Ruppertsberger, George Sauter, Otis Megginson showed anyway and accomplished the following:
3 Pavers @12"X12" were placed on the ground at the front of the four flight stands. Flight stands were "mostly" leveled and "staked" such that, even though one should not sit on them (they're for the aircraft).
The orange plastic fencing material at each flight station was replaced.
Wind sock was erected.
"Potty" was again found tipped and was righted.
- 3) Thanks to Joe Moltz for the new membership card design but it was agreed upon to use up the current membership card stock and then move on to the new design.

New Business:

- 1) **Meetings will be held AT THE FIELD, beginning on the first Saturday of the month at 1:00pm., May 3rd, 2008, weather permitting. This will be the first of the monthly Saturday meetings scheduled for the summer months.**
- 2) "Potty" will be anchored in some other fashion (screw augers, tie downs, etc) to help prevent tipping in the future.
- 3) Grass cutting should begin shortly. As of Saturdays' work, it didn't look like it needed it yet. We expect a slight increase in grass cutting fee.
- 4) If the Pavers at each station are deemed insufficient over time, we may look into some crushed stone or other method to keep the "mud" factor down.
Each member is encouraged to use fuel overflow protection and/or fuel leakage preventive measures as the condition of the flight stands and the lack of grass growth are obvious signs of this oversight.
- 5) Safety issue discussed—Cycle all batteries prior to flying season to verify condition. Replace where needed. Fully charge flight batteries and transmitter batteries before the first flight of the day. It is highly recommended to check the voltage of flight and transmitter batteries **BEFORE AND AFTER EACH FLIGHT.**
- 6) Adding a floor and a shade barrier to the shelter was further discussed. As of now, there are possibly too many restrictions that might arise when we try to implement these ideas due to Springfield Hospital's administrative safety requirements.
These ideas/concerns will be priority number one at the May meeting on site.
- 7) A new field placard will be made to replace the one lost/stolen last year. This is the one that was previously located on the entrance road fence.
- 8) An additional picnic table will be acquired.

Welcomed an interested person with his two children and their two "Park flyers." Invited them to visit the field.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.

George Sauter SCAM Sec.

Edited by RWR