

# Sky Knights Aeromodeling Team

## Official Club Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 27, 2017

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05PM

**Attendance:** Eight club members were present at this month's meeting.

### **Roll Call:**

President: John Clauson (N)

Vice President: Jon Earley (N)

Treasurer: Dave Wurzbach (Y)

Secretary: Rich Granitz (Y)

2 Year Director: Ralph Warner (Y)

1 Year Director: Al Parshall (N)

### **Treasurer's Report (Dave Wurzbach): 1/24/17 through 2/27/17**

Balance: 1/23/17      1332.75

Income:                      426.00      Membership dues, Patches, Garage Sale

Expense:                      00.00

Balance: 2/27/17      1758.75

The club currently has 16 paid members.

The treasury report was accepted by the club members.

### **Secretary's Report (Rich Granitz):**

AMA fees for the club will be \$120.00 this year, up from last year. The fee covers the club charter and insurance certificate for Marge. All required club documents will be submitted to the AMA by the end of the week.

The AMA is requiring a "Frequency Agreement" or "2.4 exclusivity clause" this year when there are other AMA clubs within a 3 mile radius of the field. Google maps indicates that we are slightly over 3 miles from the Saddlebrook runway and 4 miles from the Skylarks runway. A formal agreement with the other clubs is not required at this time.

The AMA is requiring an active Safety Officer this year for club / AMA communications. Rich will accept the role during Al's absence.

The AMA continues to send a monthly membership report for the club. Please make sure that your AMA membership is current.

### **Safety Report (Al Parshall):**

There was no safety report for the month. No safety incidents or concerns were mentioned.

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### Field Report:

There are ruts in the parking area. Please watch for them when park or maintaining the field. The ruts may be from years old heavy trailer damage or local traffic turning around. Parking along the road is recommended until the field is dry.

There is renewed interest in reworking the parking area entrance. Dave has a heavy machinery contact that may be available help moving fill material. Discussion to continue with an action plan soon.

### Web Report: (John Clauson)

No report this month.

### Old Business:

- It's time to renew your Sky Knights membership. Members have until 3/31 to renew without penalty. Send checks to Dave W., make checks payable to "Sky Knights". Information was sent in an e-mail.
- The process for officer elections will begin with nominations at the February meeting, elections in March and the new officers commencing office in April. There is potential for several officer positions changes this year. If you are an established member of the club, please consider volunteering for a leadership position with the Sky Knights.

### New Business:

- A lifetime Sky Knights membership along with a Declaration Plaque was presented to Al. The club wishes Al a speedy recovery and hopes to see him at the field soon.
- Nominations for 201 Club Offices were initiated.
  - Jon was nominated for Club President. He was not present to accept or decline.
  - Ralph Warner was nominated for 2 Year Director. Nomination accepted.
  - Dave Wurzbach was nominated for Treasurer. Nomination accepted.
  - Rich Granitz was nominated as Club Secretary. Nomination accepted.

All club positions remain open for nomination and election. If you are interested in a position, the club would appreciate your experience, time and effort. Please feel free to volunteer.

- Field cleanup day will be Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> this year. The rain date will be Sunday 4/30 if needed. Additional details will be determined.
- Indoor flying at Prince of Peace – Tuesday 3/14, 6:00 until 8:30PM. \$10.00 per pilot with all proceeds to Prince of Peace. Check the website for details.

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### For the “Good of the Club”

- Ralph updated the club with a quick update of AMA East. The event was well received and attended, although hobby show attendance generally continues to decline. The show included boats and ground vehicles this year.
- Many of the planes and equipment that Ralph had available are now gone. The remaining will go to E-Bay soon. If interested in any remaining items, contact Ralph.  
**Proceeds go to the AMA Scholarship Fund.**
- A “Garage Sale” was not held this month.

### Show and Tell

- Jim discussed his quad with new Tarot brushless gimbal. A video was e-mailed to the group.
- Doug demonstrated his new “Bear Tracker” lost model finder. This is a long range, directional antenna based tracing device. Transmitters may be purchased for individual use. See Doug’s e-mail or contact him for details. Doug will make the receiver available to the club for lost aircraft equipped with the appropriate transmitter. Thank you, Doug.

### Notes and Reminders:

Indoor Flying – Prince of Peace. Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Grayslake Library. 7PM. 14 pilots and additional guests enjoyed the evening.

Next meeting – March 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM, Grayslake Library.

Thank you, Dave, for the use of your office lobby as a meeting location while the Library is unavailable.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.