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MRCMC General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: April 6, 2016

Members Present: Dennis Albee, Luther Bitler, Jim Clark, Karl Eckerle, Mike Fjerstad, Greg Gavit, Jerry Hahnfeld, Bob Hill, Herman Huebner, Al Klashak, Ken McNyurlen, Ray Ruzsala, Milt Strom, Bob Thompson, Chad Winslow, Brad Wolfgang, Don Zahm, Ron Zahm, Steve Zahm, Brent Coyne.

Visitors Present: Connor Winslow

Chad Winslow called the meeting to order at 7:30PM

1. The minutes from last month's meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter.
2. The treasurer's report was given and accepted. The expenses from last month were disclosed. The bill from Delta College for the banquet is still outstanding.
3. Club dues for 2016 are due.
4. Gary Brookhouse will look into using the Northwood field house for possible indoor flying next season.
5. The subject of model aircraft registration with the FAA was discussed. The MRCMC encourages members to comply with the FAA regulations regarding model aircraft registration. The club does not take responsibility of checking an individual's registration status with the FAA.
6. The spring field cleanup will take place on Saturday April 30, from 9:00AM – 12:00PM. Members are encouraged to come out with chain saws, rakes, weed whackers, etc. to clear brush and clean up the field.
7. The EAA is hosting a pancake breakfast at the EAA building on Saturday May 7th. At least five club members are needed to help park airplanes and cars at this event. The MRCMC and EAA have a standing agreement which allows our club to use their building for our meetings free of charge if we help at their pancake breakfasts. If anyone wants to help out, they can show up at the EAA building at approximately 7:00AM. People can contact Karl Eckerle if they have questions.
8. There was some discussion regarding the condition of the driveway going into the flying field. This time of year the driveway is soft and muddy, but members are asked to drive on the driveway rather than drive thru the grass. Someone drove thru the grass and now deep ruts in the grass will need to be repaired.
9. There was discussion regarding repairing the runway. Karl has a quote from Yeager Asphalt to repair the cracks in the runway and resurface it. Karl will obtain another quote for resurfacing and possibly repaving the runway. Karl and Jerry Hahnfeld will pursue getting grants from the AMA and Midland Area Community Foundation to cover part, or all, of the cost of fixing the runway.
10. The Mid Michigan Fun Fly was discussed. It is planned for July 9th, from 10:00AM – 3:00PM. The Saginaw Club is hosting the event. The rain date is July 10th. The Saginaw club field is located at 8552 Pretzer Road in Hemlock. Mike Fjerstad passed out a flyer regarding the event.
11. The calendar of events is listed below:
 - Apr 30 Spring field cleanup from 9:00AM – 12:00PM
 - May 7 EAA pancake breakfast at Barstow Airport
 - July 9 Mid-Michigan Fun Fly at Saginaw Field 10:00-3:00
 - Sept 11 Club airshow
12. Jerry Hahnfeld gave a talk regarding safety. This presentation is done every year and is a requirement for the club to maintain its "gold leader club" status. Jerry covered the AMA safety guidelines and also some rules that are specific to our flying field. Safety is everyone's responsibility and if we observe someone doing something unsafe, we should have a talk with the individual. Conversely if someone approaches you regarding something

you are doing that may be unsafe, you should be appreciative that they are concerned for your safety. Jerry discussed the landfill area to the south of the flying field. This area is fenced in and if a plane goes down in this area, we should call Dow Security at 636-4400 and they will come out and retrieve the plane.

13. The flying hours were discussed. They are:
 - Monday – Saturday 9:00AM-8:30PM (aircraft with internal combustion engines)
 - Sunday – 10:00AM-6:00PM (aircraft with internal combustion engines)
 - Electric aircraft can fly any time except after 6:00PM on Sunday. There is to be no flying at all after 6:00PM on Sunday.
14. The sheet posted at the field listing the flying hours has faded and is illegible. Greg will put up a new sheet. Brad Wolfgang will also make a map showing the flying field and flying area.
15. Karl brought some model airplane accessories to the meeting that is being donated to club members by John Fabinski. Members were free to help themselves to what they wanted.
16. Show and tell consisted of the following.
 - Bob Thompson brought out a plane from Extreme Aircraft called the “Little Foot”. This is a bush plane style aircraft. It’s powered by an electric motor.
 - Don Zahm brought out a giant stick powered by a 40cc twin cylinder gas engine. Don previously had a Zenoah G38 engine installed on the plane, but the engine was too heavy and the plane would not balance properly.
 - Karl Eckerle showed a twin cylinder 21cc gas engine manufactured by RCGF that he recently purchased at the Toledo trade show.
17. Chad closed the meeting at 8:35.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Greg Gavit on April 8th, 2016.

Flight training/engine testing/plane and pilot checkout on Monday May 2nd at 5:30 ish until dark.
A great way to renew your flying skills for the summer.