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November 3rd Meeting Minutes

Board meeting - Bob Hill called the board meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Board members in attendance – Bob Hill, Steve Zahm, Ken McNurlen, Dennis Albee, Ron Helmer, Karl Eckerle, Chris Peters.

General meeting – Bob Hill called the general meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Members present – Jerry Hahnfeld, John Poma, Frank Lee, Mike Nentwig, Luther Bitler, Ron Buchanan. There were no visitors.

Old Business

Nominations for trustee and all board positions are open. See Steve Zahm or Mike Curreri to be entered into the election.

Fall field cleanup went really well. The brush on the north side of the entrance road was cut back and cleaned up for easier mowing. All flag posts are out on the edges of the drive for driving and snow plowing for the snow fly.

Cub scouts rocket launch went great for lots of kids, was very wet and windy. Only one cub scout rocket was lost, and one member's very large rocket went into the landfill. Dow security found it and followed up with the club for returning. Kathy provided great treats for the cub scouts as well.

Club banquet - Karl and Ron. Ron made contact with the battalion chief and they are all in for the program for the fire/rescue drone. Motion passed to host them at the banquet. He would bring the drone and the pilot with him to the banquet. They would need a projector for a power point presentation which we would provide, and a venue which would be Traverse City Pie Company or China Palace pending confirmation of indoor dining/menu options. There is a potential partnership with Midland Fire Department for a group of pilots trained on their operations and/or a location at our field for flight training for their drone and pilots.

Club build project – Karl and Dennis. Ideas for models landed on the free flight "Baby Moffett" with a 32" wingspan for \$26. It is an old timer looking model made by Easy Built Models and can be seen on their website. There would be group build opportunities for those interested with a competition fly in the spring. Snow birds could also build their own models on their time and bring up for the group competition. Dennis and Karl will return with more info on kit availabilities and prices from the distributor. The runners up models were Sunbeam and Miss Canada Jr from Easy Built Models. A fourth potential choice was the Sig Tiger.

New Business

A question was proposed to change one of the porta potties to a handicapped version year-round since it would potentially be cheaper in the long run than renting one strictly for the air show. This would also better serve the membership and guests. Karl will check into the cost difference.

Saturday January 8th is the Snow Fly at the field 10am. Looking for salamander heaters and members to bring chili.

Program Schedule

November – Club project build of a rubber powered free flight model.

December – ¼ scale B-25 Mitchell Bomber by Mike Wentworth.

January – What do you know about dihedral, incidence, washout, and balance by Karl.

February – Banquet with presentation by Midland Fire Department and their rescue drone.

March – Dischargers and lipo battery charging/discharging recommendations.

April – open

May – Safety talk with the VP of the club.

Show and Tell

Karl brought his new floatplane by FMS models. It is a piper cub electric model that comes with floats and very nice detail on the interior. It uses a 1800mah battery for a 20-minute flight.

Meeting was adjourned by Bob Hill at 8:30pm





Club Build Project.



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Good Morning all. At the November club meeting, Dennis and I presented our suggestions for one of several rubber powered planes to be used for our club build project for this winter. All present at the meeting settled on a plane from Easy Built Models called the Baby Moffit, kit number ff#93, with a price of \$25.95. These kits come complete; wood parts, prop, rubber band, tissue covering, plans, etc. Dennis and I are checking to see if we can get a discount price from Easy Built Models. Here is a web address to see the plane and specs.

https://easybuiltmodels.com/ff93.htm#gsc.tab=0

Please let us know who wishes to participate. Currently, we have at least 10 members interested.

Karl

