

February 2018

Airfoiler Meeting Minutes

The February meeting of the Coffee Airfoilers was called to order by Don C. at 7:00pm at the St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. There were 22 members present.

The financial report was presented by club treasurer Bonny J. Bonny detailed January spending and income. Bonny J. stated that the club has 68 paid members. A motion to accept the financial report was made and approved.

Old Business

Banquet

Charlie reported that we had 61 folks at our banquet. He reported that we had beautiful weather for a change and the sunset was great. He stated that the food was great, videos were shown, and it was just a great night of fellowship. He also reported that we had a great show and tell about work that was being done with training falcons using RC aircraft. He also stated that Pappy's was tickled to serve us. They brought more than enough food, and no one could say they did not get fed well. Judy said she posted on Pappy's Facebook page a thank you. She was told that Pappy's really appreciated that.

Field Maintenance

Scott D. said as soon as the weather get better, and everything had a chance to dry out he would be setting the date for our field work day.

New Business

2018 Budget

Bonny then presented the club's 2018 budget. Larry R. questioned the \$1200.00 Equipment Maintenance and Repair item in the budget. Paul stated that the Zero Turn Mower needs major work done to it. The mower deck will not stay at the correct height and digs into the turf and the rest of our Maintenance equipment needs service. It was pointed out that the budget expenses were more than the income for the year. Bonny pointed out that we under spent on last year's budget about the same amount that the 2018 is over. Remember that we did not fertilize or put down grass seed last year. We also must pay for our web site this year.

New Gas Grill

Bill C. motioned that the club purchases a new gas grill for \$200.00 plus tax because ours is burned out, Scott D. seconded. After some discussion the motioned passed.

Five Year Plan

Paul presented the status of our Five-Year Plan. He stated that this was our 4th or 5th year using this tool.

Item #1. To keep the Club financially sound and he stated that we are accomplishing this goal and it would remain as our #1 goal for the future.

Item #2. To create a park like setting at our field. He reported that we have purchased new picnic tables, new tables, and charcoal grills for charcoal grilling. This goal will continue to be part of our Five-Year Plan.

Item #3. Create new programs to increase new membership. He stated that our flight training program was on going and doing just fine. Paul will generate check list for trainees to keep track of their progress. He asked for volunteers to be flight instructors and Ken H. volunteered. Ken H. also volunteered to be our Media Person to use TV, radio, newspaper and other avenues to expand community awareness of our hobby and events. This will be a very difficult job so please thank Ken for stepping up to do this for us and help him in any way you can.

Item #4. Field Upgrades. We still have several items on our plan to complete.

Item #5. Maintain our field equipment. This is an ongoing item to protect the club's investment.

Item #6. Run electricity and water to the field. This is a long term goal.

Item #7. Improve the pit area. We still need to complete the signage that was agreed on.

Item #8. Add Helicopter/Drone area at the north end of the field. It was decided not to proceed with one, so it will be dropped off the Five-Year Plan.

Item # 9. Review and update the club's by-laws. This has been completed and was dropped from the Five-Year Plan.

Trainer Storage.

Paul asked if we could come up with a plan to store our trainer planes and radios because they are receiving a lot of hanger rash being stored in the concession stand. Paul suggested a 6X6X12 trailer that could be used not only for trainer storage but also could be unloaded if we needed to haul something. A lively discussion followed. Some wanted a container because it would be more secure. It was pointed out that they have metal floors and they would be too hot. Some members were concerned about security. Some of the ideas to prevent theft of the trailer were to put blocks under the axles and remove the tires, another idea was to bury a concrete pole in the ground and chain it to it. George S. motioned that we appropriate \$2000.00 for a trailer. Bill C. seconded the motion. Since it is more than \$500.00 it must have brought to the Club with a two notice of the vote. Ernie M. will post the notice on e-mail, the web site, and Facebook.

Club schedule of meetings and events

Don C. went over 2018 schedule and asked for comments. There was some discussion about why we schedule the War Birds and Giant events during the hottest month. It was stated that these events have been scheduled for these dates and it would be a lot of work to have them changed. We also have a lot of attendees that use these dates to set their calendars.

National Aviation Week

Charlie J suggested that the week between National Aviation Day and the Giant event we develop a National Aviation Week. He suggested that we have something planned everyday from 2pm to 6pm so we could get the school, clubs and other groups out to the field. This would also them to view our hobby first hand. Everyone liked the idea and we will pursue the idea. Don C. mentioned that the life blood of any organization is to get the younger generation interested in it.

Topic of the Month

Ernie M. suggestion that we have a topic of the month to be discussed during our monthly meetings such as batteries, trouble shooting engines, and stuff that the members would be interested in. Ernie M. was put in charge of coming up with the topics and he will get them posted on the web site before the meeting.

Pay-Pal

Mike J informed us that we could activate Pay-Pal and it would not cost us anything. He informed Bonnie that she would have to oversee it and asked if that would be okay with her. She said she could take care of it for us as long as someone trained her on how it works. Paul said he wants to learn also and he would like to help her. We are going to start out just collecting dues using it then we could use it for registration for our events.

Fly Away Cancer event

Bill C. is going to hold an event called Fly Away Cancer on April 28th. and all the proceeds will be donated to a local cancer charity. The landing fee will be \$25.00. Plan on coming out and supporting this fine event.

New Solar Panels

A motion was made to purchase two new 100-watt solar panels from Harbor Freight for \$150.00 plus tax when they go on sale in March. This price includes everything needed to install them. Motion was seconded and passed.

Show and Tell

It was announced that the Perry swap meet was March 3rd. and 4th. of March.

Ed F. showed off his 400 that he built.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17