

September 2017

Airfoiler Meeting Minutes

The September meeting of the Coffee Airfoilers was held on September 11th, 2017 at the Arnold Lakeside Club on AAFB, Tullahoma, TN. Club President Don Cleveland called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. We had 18 members present. Charlie Jenkins put on a slide show featuring the Float Fun Fly. Pizza was served for those who attended the meeting.

Don introduced Jack Glasser who is with AAFB security. He discussed how we can help implement policy so we can continue to fly at AAFB. He stated that each Air Force Base must set up policies for clubs to fly on Air Bases property. He stated that we must police ourselves the way we have in the past to continue the good relationship we now enjoy with the AAFB. If someone comes to the field and wants to fly without a club member approval they must check in with the base Director of Security.

He pointed out that club members can help with security by doing the following:

1. Be the eyes and ears for unapproved sUAS usage.
2. Make sure the public is aware of proper sUAS usage.
3. Notify Base Security of suspicious sUAS activity.
4. Who to call if we see something that is not right: Base Security 454-5662
Operations Center 454-7688

Jack stated that the Base appreciates us and we have been a good neighbor. He told us if we see anything out of the norm to call Base Security. He stated that being over cautious is the best policy. Jack stated that he does not want us to put ourselves in jeopardy and if we have a problem with anyone we just need to call Base Security. Don said we would laminate the policy and post it on the bulletin board at the field. Don thanked Jack for attending the meeting and presenting the information.

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The financial report was presented by club treasurer Bonny Jenkins. Bonny detailed the August spending and income. She also reported that the club had 106 paid members. She stated that the profit for the National Aviation Day event was \$655.00. Don proposed that we donate \$500.00 to the Bedford DAV and \$150.00 to the Coffee DAV. The club voted and approved this measure.

Larry proposed that we invite the DAV out to attend the Oct. 14th Chili Fun Fly. It was discussed and it was decided that we also invite the Bedford, Coffee, and the Franklin DAV. Don said he would take care of inviting them and try to get them to give a head count with the number of people who might attend.

Scott thanked Ken for helping mow the field for our Giant Event. He also thanked everyone else that helped get the field in shape for the event. He said it takes a lot of people to keep our field in great shape and we are blessed to have so many members who are willing to help.

Scott said the next major field improvement would be to level the road and spread gravel over it. He said the next Field Work Day would be Oct. 21st. He suggested that we put together a pot luck dinner for after the work is done. He asked if anyone has any suggestions on what needs to be done during our work day or future improvement please e-mail him.

Paul stated that we need to think about a place to store our club trainers. Some of the suggestions were:

1. Buy a building.
2. Enclose front part of the concession where the battery charging stations are.
3. Enclose the area where the gas grill is.

A discussion of the pro's and con's of each was discussed. Don suggested that we take some time to think this thru.

Don reported that we had the electric company out to look at the feasibility to bring electric power to the concession stand. He said the electric company part would be about \$7100.00, and the total cost would be about \$10,000. We would have to dig the trench. Don said he did this so we would have an idea for the future.

Scott suggested that we look at purchasing a commercial grade generator. It was decided to get some estimates.

Charlie suggested the club entering a float in the Christmas Parade. A discussion followed and it was decided to form a committee to peruse this idea. Charlie, Bill, Kelly, Judy, Ernie, and George will be the committee.

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Model Aviation Day

Paul thanked everyone who help make this event great. Don sated that we are lucky that we have some many people willing to put forth their time and talents to help make our club great. We talked about raising the entrance fee next year so we would have more money to donate. Charlie proposed that we have a Model Aviation Week next year. Start off with Model Aviation day and have something going on each day and finishing the week off with our Giant Airplane event the following weekend. We decided to continue this discussion over the next few months.

Giant event.

Bill thanked everyone who helped. He stated that our events could not be as successful as they are without all helpers. He said he was scared about being CD for this event but he is not so scared now. Bill reported that we had 45 pilots. He wants to be able to have the ability for pilots to pre-register like they due at Joe Nall.

Float Fun Fly

Ernie said we had 13 pilots and the event was a great success. He said everyone had a great time.

Don mentioned that we still need more advertising and promotions to do a better job communicating with the public.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12