

**AMOS Executive Meeting  
February 4, 2013**

**Members present:** Steve Snider - President, Tracy Trammell - VP, Basil Yousif - Treasurer, Ian Shere - Membership, Mike Dunbar - Safety/Training, Jim Hill - Committee Chairman, Dean Crump - Field Marshall, Doug Keller - Past President.

**Members Absent:** John Sorenson - Secretary, Jim Ireby - Newsletter

**Guests :** Marvin

**Call to order:** President Steve Snider at 6pm, and asked each officer to give their report.

**BOARD REPORTS**

**VP - Tracy Trammell** - Whoever says it can't be done, it can be! Comments after trying to fly her model through the trees!

**Secretary - John Sorenson** - No report, absent

**Treasurer - Basil Yousif** - \$4206.98 in checking and \$353 in savings

**Membership - Ian Shere** - 134 members at this point for this year. This includes 5 new members for the year. Checks for \$4230 handed to Basil.

**Safety/Training - Mike Dunbar** - Has helped 2 new members at the field with their models. He reported an ongoing issue between the owners of expensive models v those owning cheap models. Extensive discussion followed with the consensus being a need to maintain a continuity in circuit direction, runway calls in a loud, clear voice and acknowledging other's calls, plus general courtesy and respect for all other fliers.

**Committee Chairman - Jim Hill** - Questioned whether we are holding CD's responsible for getting events sanctioned. Doug Keeler said he understood that CD's sent all event info to the AMA once the event date had been set.

**Newsletter editor - Jim Ireby** - No report, absent

**Field marshall - Dean Crump** - Having some grass growth and said we should consider spraying. Last year \$200 spent on this and was figuring a similar amount for this year. Dean to ask his work how others are approaching this as regards timing. Made some safety fence repairs. Reported that the tarps for the shade shelters are wrecked and need replacement. Cost to be investigated.

**Past president - Doug Keller** - Perry (Hobbytown Rocklin) had a successful move to a new, slightly smaller, location and business has been good initially. He sent his thanks to the club for their support and has proactively been handing out our cards.

**Financial report - Rich Nowatzki** - There has been talk of changing the snowball raffle in its format. It was decided to keep it as it made the club a little over \$100 per month, but the idea of giving a, say, \$10 prize for the winning ticket as well as the chance to draw the snowball.

**Audit report - Rich Nowatzki** - Jerry Dodge, Fred Light, Basil Yousif and Rich Nowatzki completed the audit and all was found in order. Rich mentioned that, once loans are paid and money starts accumulating, that the club needs to look at bonding the treasurer. Jerry queried how we could take in \$28,000 yet pay out over \$30,000 last year. Rich explained that this was due to a balance carried forward from 2011. Jim Hill asked about loan repayment timeframe. Rich said they should all be paid by the end of 2014. We paid off about \$14,000 last year.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Loans update - Basil Yousif** - \$32,000 is currently outstanding not including interest which would be about a further \$2,000.

**Events** - The Float Fly, Warbirds over Roseville and the Electric Fly are confirmed and there was no discussion. Steve Snider announced a name change to the President's Fun Fly to the President's and

VP's Fun Fly, admitting quite unashamedly that he wanted more help!

The IMAA Giant Scale event, scheduled for 9/28 & 29 conflicted with another event AMOS has been invited to be involved in - the Lincoln Airfest (see New Business). It was decided to move the date to 10/12 & 13. This will allow the club to take advantage of publicity at the Airfest and allow modelers with damaged aircraft from that event time to repair. Discussion on what constituted a Giant Scale followed. Jim Hill to check any other possible date conflicts.

**Guests at the field** - This follows up the discussion from last month with a report from John Sorenson's communication from the AMA being presented. Ian Shere is to add to the website and Mike Dunbar is to add to the frequency board.

**Check cashing** - A document was required by the bank to allow Steve Snider to be made a check signator.

The motion by Doug Keller, 2nded Tracy Trammell, carried: *That Steve Snider, Tracy Trammell and Basil Youusif be the only AMOS club members eligible to sign checks.*

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Lincoln Airfest** - This new event for 9/28 & 29 is to be held at the Lincoln Regional Airport. AMOS has been asked to participate and will have a table there, plus some flyers. Everyone saw as a good opportunity to publicize the club and the IMAA Giant Scale event (date moved). Doug Keller said we should present the idea to the members and seek their approval.

**Coming general meeting events** - Steve Snider gave a rundown of upcoming events, with this month being Mike Dunbar on Safety, and Dick Brace covering the transition from glow fuel to giant scale gas.

**Discounted fees for military/part time members** - This arose from an inquiry received by Ian Shere from an active military person. Discussion followed about whether it should be just active or retired/disabled too. Should seniors get a discount? Jim Hill suggested we discount for active E5 and lower because of their pay scale. Jim Irey (in an email) stated an emphatic "No".

The motion by Mike Dunbar, 2nded by Tracy Trammell, carried : *That we do not allow discounting.*  
The motion by Jim Hill, no 2nd, defeated: *That we discount to active E5 and below.*

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Jim Hill said that PR is part of his job description, and requested an annual budget of @2-300 for this. This would be for items like SacBee advertising. Rich Nowatzki said there is already a \$5,000 amount in the budget for events and Jim should draw from there.

Jim Hill also mentioned alternative revenue generation - soliciting advertisers at major events, advertising on the website. General discussion on non-profit versus not-for-profit followed, with the consensus that, given the county's stance, we are not non-profit and that, if we made money from advertising and had to pay tax so be it. Rich Nowatzki expressed his concerns about upsetting the county and others, especially with the lease renewal coming up.

Jim Hill is to do some more research on various ideas.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm.