

AMOS General Meeting – March 13, 2012

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Doug Keller

Board Members Present: Doug Keller (President), John Hainlen (Vice Present), Basil Yousif (Treasurer), Fred Light (Safety Officer), Tracy Trammell (Membership Chairperson), Jim Hill (Committee Chairperson/Public Relations), Jim Irey (Newsletter), and Rich Nowatzki (Financial Advisor).

Guests: No guests this meeting.

New Members: Max McCurdy

2012 Board Member Reports:

Secretary Report: Steve Snider (Absent at this meeting)

The January General Meeting minutes and Treasurer's Report were emailed to all members and placed on the AMOS Website.

Motion: by Jim Hill and seconded by Dean Crump to accept minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Basil Yousif

Basil reported that after paying off another loan, we have \$5,000 in checking and \$2,300 in savings. The lease and Porta-Potty expenses will be about \$6,000 through the end of the year. We also just received \$1,400 in club membership dues and we will have funds from the Events, so we are in good shape.

Motion: by Dick Brace and seconded by Tracy Trammell that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Motion carried.

Committee Chairperson/Public Relations: Jim Hill

All the coming Events are logged onto *the RC Flightdeck* Worldwide website. Jim stated that he will need a \$200. Deposit by June to secure the Turkey Creek Venue for the Christmas dinner. The Christmas dinner date is the Saturday following our December General Meeting, which is December 15th.

Jim volunteered to be the CD for the Sacramento Fun Fly at our field on April 21st.

Field Marshall: Rob Miller

Rob is having some additional treatment for his injuries from his service duties and will not be available for a couple of months.

Ralph Tarrant recommended that we have a work party after the rain stops, to reset many of the nails or add new ones, that hold the Petromat, especially at the South end of the runway. The work party will be organized when the weather permits.

Jim Irey stated that some of the orange safety fencing at the North end of the field needs to be reattached to the wire. Again, this will be done when the weather permits.

When the weather permits, Doug Keller or Jim Irey will put out a Work Party email to the membership. Not a lot of work, but with many hands, the work time is shortened. Thanks in advance for your help

Membership Chairperson: - Tracy Trammell

So far to date, there are 153 members with about 6 or 7 new members in the past few weeks and 4 renewals from the letters that Tracy sent out. The 2nd membership card is available, so if you have not received yours yet, let Tracy know so she can get it to you.

Safety Officer: Fred Light

Fred addressed several AMA and AMOS Safety Rules that have been posted at the field. Most of these are common sense and the main ones that Fred covered are:

1. Take offs and landing direction will be established by the active flyers with the prevailing wind direction a determining factor.
2. Announce your intentions **LOUD AND CLEAR**, when taking off, landing left or right, on the runway, deadstick, etc.,
3. **COMMUNICATION** is one of the most important things we can do to help keep things working smoothly at the field.
4. The primary flight areas are east of the main runway.
5. The runway is for take off and landings, not for hovering over the runway or doing high speed *passes*. **EXCEPTIONS:** Doing a "Touch and Go" when safe and **clearly announced ahead of the touch and go.**
6. **Hovering should be done at the South end of the field.** (SouthWest of the runway and SouthEast of the metal shade structure). There is an opening in the fence at the South end of the field to allow access for pilots who are doing 3D flying.
7. **Helicopters** can be flown at the Control-Line area or at the Cross-Wind Runway at the North end of the field.
8. No flying is allowed behind the Safety fence, pilot stations, over the pits and spectator areas and not over the parking area.
9. **People who are not piloting an aircraft should refrain from disturbing or distracting those who are. Leave the pilot alone to let them concentrate on their flying without distractions.**

Basically use your best judgment and common sense while flying and **respect your fellow club members** while they are flying. Take into consideration the wind direction, sun location while flying to keep you and other members/guests safe at the flying field.

Fred has purchased another first aid kit that is weatherproof that will be attached to the shade structure or Frequency Board pole so if there is an emergency you will not have to be looking for emergency first aid supplies.

Doug Keller reviewed the AMA rules that are posted at the flying field. Everyone should take a few minutes when at the field and not flying, to review the AMA rules.

Vice President: John Hainlen

The Swap Meet is Saturday, March 17th and the Indoor Fly is Friday, March 16th.

Proposal by Jim Irey:

A change in the **FIELD OPERATIONS** statement to read:

Prior to flying, a pilot will attach their AMOS Membership card to their person in a visible place. 72 MGH and 50 MGH pilots will put their second AMOS card on the appropriate pin in the Frequency Board. 2.4 GHz pilots will not need to place a card in the Frequency Board. Guests and Red Baron members will sign in on the guest log in the Frequency Board and wear a GUEST Card in a visible place on their person. They will place their AMA card in the Frequency Board in the appropriate pin or 2.4 GHz slot.

Motion: by Dean Crump and seconded by Dick Ryan that the Field Operations statement listed above by Jim Irey be accepted as the new **FIELD OPERATION** and added to the By-Laws. Motion Passed.

Sno-Ball Drawing:

\$114.00 in the pool for the drawing. The winning number went to Paul Lundberg. Unfortunately for Paul, he pulled an Orange ball out of the canister. Fortunately for the club, \$57.00 went to the club and the raffle will start next month with \$57.00. One white ball and 8 orange balls for next month.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Submitted by: Steve Snider – AMOS Secretary