

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
ASSOCIATED MODELERS OF SACRAMENTO

Date: June 6, 2020

Location: AMOS Field

Guests Present: Dave Long, Chance Harris, Dan Burghardt, Keith Fick

Board members absent: None

Meeting called to order at 10:00 A.M.

President Doug Reid presided.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: On **Motion** by John S, second by Doug K, the minutes of the previous Board meeting were **approved**.

Review of Post COVID 19 Field Guidelines: Doug R pointed out that Placer County has loosened its guidelines and raised the question to what extent our field guidelines should be loosened. All Board members concurred that it is too soon to allow visitors, but it is not necessary to keep the gate closed because there have not been so many people dropping in lately. However, for the time being, the field is for members only.

AMA Pins: John S reported that the AMA Gold Leader pins have arrived and he has a list of the members who have asked for them. So far, AMA has not billed us.

Administration of AMOS Facebook Page: Doug R expressed concern that there is an AMOS Facebook page that is not official and contains information which is (a) not official and (b) incorrect. It appears that Basil created the page, but anyone can post messages to it. A discussion followed in which Board Members who are familiar with Facebook used various buzz words that meant little to Board Members of an older generation. In the end, the Board decided that Karen and Basil should work it out.

Use of Name Badges by Members and Guests: There is a problem in that many pilots are flying without name badges, and they may or may not be members (or guests.) Doug has sent around an email asking members to wear their badges when they fly, but it has had little effect. The Board agreed that we should all try to be "self-policing" and ask any pilot who is not wearing a badge to put it on. Andrew will post a membership list in the frequency board and keep it up to date to verify the membership of anyone who claims to be a member but did not bring his badge.

Start Date for Flight Training Program: Agreed that training cannot start until Placer County cancels the 6 foot distance requirement, so for the time being we cannot determine a start date.

RC Training for Wounded Warriors: Doug R believes some wounded warriors would enjoy learning to fly RC, and he will notify the organization when training starts.

Scott Monroe Drone Training: Doug R said he had told Scott that it would be OK to occasionally bring guests to learn to fly drones as long as they are AMA members, and asked the Board if there was any disagreement. Nobody objected.

Jet Fly Event Presentation: Dave Long brought the Board up to date on his plans for the Jet Event. Here are some of the highlights of his presentation:

- Dave is financing the event out of his own pocket. He expects a profit of \$1,000 to \$1,500 which will go to the club.
- There are at least 50 pilots expected
- Vendors will be bringing Jets with buddy-box setups, and any AMA member who wants to will get a chance to fly a jet.
- Any kind of jet, EDF or turbine, wood or foam can participate.
- There will be tent with cooling for participants to dine or just cool off.
- Neil Smiley will be the CD
- There will be awards for Best Sport Jet, Best Scale Jet, Best EDF Jet, Most Flights, Top Gun Award, and People's Choice Award.
- Because of COVID uncertainty, he will make a go-or-no-go decision thirty days before the event.

Event Calendar: The Warbird event has been cancelled. The Electric Fun Fly is tentative for August 8, and the President's Fun Fly is tentative for August 15. The following events are on the calendar:

- Jet Event Sept. 11-13
- Rotors Sept. 26
- AMBRO October 3
- Giant Scale October 17

Four New Shade Awnings: Dave Long proposed that he would pay one-half the \$4,800 cost of four new shade awnings (similar to the ones that Chance and his friends put up last year) if the club to pay the other one-half as follows: seven hundred dollars from left over contributions to Chance's project and \$1,700 from club general funds. There was discussion of whether to remove existing shade coverings from the project area, but the decision was deferred on this question, and eventually it can be decided by the members. Doug K made a **Motion** which was seconded by Dave C to accept Dave's proposal and to pay \$2,400 on the project, 700 from leftover contributions from last year's project and \$1,700 from the club's general funds, subject to Dave Long paying the other half of the project cost and subject to approval by the members at the next general meeting. The **Motion passed.**

Two Additional Shade Awnings: Dave Long made essentially the same proposal to put in two additional shade awnings at the north end of the pits with Dave contributing one-half the cost of \$2,400 and the club paying one-half the cost. There was discussion of whether the club has sufficient funds for the project, and the Board concluded it does. John S made a **Motion** which was seconded by Karen C to accept Dave's proposal and to pay \$1,200 for the project from the

club's general funds, subject to Dave Long paying the other half of the project cost and subject to approval by the members at the next general meeting. The **Motion passed.**

Gazebo Area: Dave Long offered to pay the cost of cementing the floor of the gazebo but John S said the County would go ballistic over any concrete work. It was decided to use petromat that we have on hand in stead.

Next General Meeting: Because of the need for social distancing the next General Meeting will be held at the field on Saturday, June 13th.

Rock and Gravel Projects: The Board discussed whether to proceed with the expansion of the gravel parking area at the south end and installing rock to protect the gazebo in light of social distancing. These projects have been approved by the members. It was concluded that the work could be done without danger of spreading COVID 19. Keith F said he would let Dave C know when his brother's tractor will be available. Keith estimated his out of pocket expense would be \$100. John S Made a **Motion** seconded by Dave C to reimburse Keith F \$100 for tractor work. **Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

Respectfully submitted, Jody Kahan, Secretary