

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING  
ASSOCIATED MODELERS OF SACRAMENTO

Date: August 9,2016

Location: Denny's Restaurant, 122 Sunrise Ave., Roseville, CA

Guests/New Members: None

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. President Mike Haston was absent. Vice-president Randy Sizemore presided.

Unfinished Business

Flag Pole: Jim Irey reported that a new flag pole was installed. it was cheaper to buy a new lighter flag pole than to rent heavy equipment to raise the one that was donated to us. We now have two flag poles. The one to the north is for the American flag. The other is for any other flag.

Night Combat Fly. Discussion of Night Combat event held July 23 and organized by member Dan Stuart with many non-member participants. Vice president stated Dan et all would like to put on event again, possibly monthly. Up to members whether to allow. Comments: Basil Yousif - good event, at one point 200 people present. John Sorenson - these flyers are non-members, several crashes. Damage to runway requires patching. Possible benefit to members is they can participate or watch. Jim Irey - Safety concerns. Dan should have to convince the club that benefits outweigh the drawbacks. Randy Sizemore - doesn't think the club should bear expense of event for non-members. Possibly require a flying fee from pilots. John Hainlen - Club purpose is to have fun. This is fun. Let them do it. Most spectators were club members. Jim Irey - Dan wanted to open this up, advertize, make it bigger.

MOTION by Jim Irey second by Doug Keller:

Jim Irey will contact Dan Stuart and invite him to come to a Board Meeting or General Meeting and make his case for why this event should continue. Motion passed on voice vote.

Christmas Party. Date December 13. Price for tickets, \$14/person up to December 1, \$28 per person after that. Randy Sizemore: Donations requested to reduce Club's share of the cost. If club's share of cost is below \$500 any difference will go to door prizes. Donation box passed around.

New Business:

Jimmy Garcia (disabled brother). John Sorenson - Covered at Board meeting. No need to discuss.

First person view (FPV). AMA requires FPV pilot to have a spotter and to keep aircraft within the spotter's line of sight. Randy Sizemore: Woodland Davis requires all pilots of high performance aircraft to have a spotter. This is a recommended practice, but not required by our club Bye-laws.

Committees. John Sorenson: It is time to set up the Nominations Committee, Budget Committee and Audit Committee. Randy Sizemore: Mike Haston was hoping some of the same people would do it again. Volunteers are requested. Jim Irey will send email to members asking for volunteers.

### Upcoming Events:

Model Aviation Day - Electric Fun Fly. Date: August 27. Coordinator: John Hainlen. Event is in recognition of AMA Model Aviation Day (August 13.) Basil will cook. Events: combat, hands off, limbo, other fun events. Open to public. Swap meet. Contribution jar for Disabled American Veterans. Rich Nowatzki will be selling his book, ½ of proceeds to D.A.V. Discussion of whether a portion income from food sales should go to D.A.V. Randy Sizemore: per club practice, that decision is up to event coordinator.

President's Fun Fly. Date: September 10. Food is free for members and their families. Randy Sizemore: Same events as electric fun fly plus contest where pilots are allowed three minutes to trim their aircraft and then put their transmitters on the ground.

Giant Scale Event. Date: September 24. Coordinator: Gary Meyers. Basil in charge of food. Up to coordinator to determine what size planes are eligible.

### Board Reports:

President Mike Haston. Absent

Vice President Randy Sizemore. Comments about upcoming events.

Secretary Jody Kahan. Model Aviation DVDs for anyone to borrow, return at next general meeting. Constitution, By-laws and field regulations now updated through July12, 2016 and up on club website.

Treasurer Gloria Irey. Absent. As of 7/31/2016 \$2,718 in checking account plus \$650 in undeposited checks from new members.

Membership Jim Irey. 215 members.

Safety/Training Marvin Bennett. Fred Quartier: Marvin undergoing cancer treatment. Fred acting in his place until he returns. Discussed accident that occurred when he accidentally hit throttle while picking up plane from runway. Lesson: if your transmitter can be programmed to have a throttle cut switch always use it. If you don't know how to program this ask someone. Also watch out for accidentally hitting reverse on throttle. Mention of a certain member who is repeatedly making high-speed passes over the runway. He may be brought before the board for disciplinary action. Randy Sizemore: In case of emergency always call 911. Don't attempt to reach the local fire department. John Sorenson: Member donated a new first aid kit from Highway Patrol. It is in the shed. Looks like a duffel bag.

Field Marshall Glen Gibson. All of the shade covers have been roped except one. It will be taken care of soon.

Contest Coordinator/Public Relations Hilton Sorkazian. Absent.

Newsletter Basil Yousif. Newsletter will be done in a week.

Past President John Sorenson. Giving a talk about electronics at Placer High School. If any members have old electronics, John would appreciate being able to use them for show and tell.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Jody Kahan  
Secretary