

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
ASSOCIATED MODELERS OF SACRAMENTO

Date: October 10, 2017

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

Guests/New Members: None

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. President Mike Haston presided.

Minutes of Previous Meeting Motion to approve. Passed.

Unfinished Business

AMOS Project: Mike Haston reported: He and John Sorenson have been working out details of project to replace Petromat on runway and pit area, and to lay down gravel for winter access to area south of pits and new helipad. Currently contemplating a total cost of around \$19,290.46 based on four inches of gravel instead of six and savings on equipment rental. Nate Watts has agreed to lay the gravel for \$650 and this price will include equipment and fuel. Also got a discount on the gravel. John Sorenson: Estimate from Nate actually \$650-800 depending on final measurements. Jim Hill: Suggests we should have a written bid. John: Nate has worked with him before, always word of mouth agreement. Does excellent work. This is as good a price as we can get. Mike: we save about \$770 in equipment rental by using Nate. John: The petromat we used the first time came in 17 ½ foot wide rolls, and we went three wide. It is no longer available. The good stuff only comes in fifteen foot wide rolls, so we will go four wide. This will widen runway by five feet. Petromat is in warehouse and will be delivered on October 20.

Loan: Gloria Irey: Club has received a no interest loan that will cover the bulk of the project. Also received other offers of loans. One small offer at no interest, others at five percent interest. John Sorenson: Since loans are available and projects might run into unforeseen costs MOTION that the club borrow \$25,000 total. Motion seconded and Passed. Gloria: Club can definitely pay that much back in three years. Mike Haston: anyone who is interest in loaning money to the club should contact Gloria.

Nominations: Les Kler running for Safety Officer. Will send a short bio to members. Tom Aschwanden running for Field Marshal. Mike has his bio and will distribute it to members. Victor Rogers also running for Field Marshal. Members should also think about Modeler of the Year and contact Mike to make nominations.

Jet Event: Mike Haston: Great event. Kevin brought in a lot of people, did a great job. Comments on social media were good.

AmoBro Event: Basil Yousif: Went pretty well. Five or six pilots. Sold food left over from Jet Event. Made about \$91.

New Business

Dues for 2018: Motion by Doug Keller that dues remain the same for 2018. Motion seconded and Passed without discussion.

Lease (letter of intent): Mike Haston: Had a meeting with Eric Oddo at MRF. Advised him of plans to lay new petromat and gravel (see above.) Eric verbally approved. Discussed our wish to extend the current lease on the field for an additional five years. Eric said to send him a letter of intent, and he would present it to the Board of Directors for approval. John Sorenson: We have a good chance of being able to use the field long term because other uses of the property are limited by lack of access to utilities and restriction on drilling into the soil. Realistically, it would probably take the District ten years to develop the property. The lease does have a 180 day termination clause, but District not likely to have any reason to exercise it. Doug Keller: Eric gave the impression we can probably be there for another eight to ten years.

Work Projects: Mike Haston: The new petromat will be delivered on October 20. They will deliver directly onto runway to minimize how much we have to move the 300 pound rolls around. October 21 we will begin rolling out the new petromat. Need as many volunteers as possible. On October 19 we will prepare for new petromat by evening up the edges of the runway, filling in any holes. Volunteers please bring shovels and wheelbarrows. Keith Fick thinks he can bring a small tractor to make this job easier. Also have to move tables and pull up the safety fence. Jim Irey will be in charge of removing and re-installing the safety fence.

Upcoming Events

October 14-15 Norcal Huckfest: Basil Yousif: Saturday might be a little windy, but a lot of people might come on Sunday.

Board Reports:

President Mike Haston: Scary looking people have been seen hanging around our gate. Please be careful of personal safety. If you are the only member at the field, lock the gate. Don't leave if there is someone at the gate. If the situation looks like it could be dangerous call the sheriff or call Mike. If you are the last member at the field ask the second to the last member to lock the gate on his way out. If you feel you must leave the field for your own safety but cannot safely lock the gate, then leave. Personal safety is more important than keeping stuff from being stolen.

Treasurer Gloria Irey. Cash on hand on September 30 was \$2,390. This is the normal level for this time of year.

Membership Jim Irey. 225 members. Down a little from this time last year.

Newsletter Editor Basil Yousif. Newsletter is out. Some good jokes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55

Respectfully submitted. Jody Kahan, Secretary