

Meridian Model Flyers Association
Minutes of the September 4, 2018 meeting

Call to order 7:30 pm

11 Mbrs/2 Executive

Reading of Minutes

They were sent out via email and on website

Treasure Report

- Debits: Bank Fees
 - Credits: Memberships for 2018, 50/50
- Total membership 63, 3 JR. for 2018

Full amounts available from the treasure on request

Correspondence

- o None

Field Report

- Husqvarna is starting to show its age, but still serviceable. Discussion around the possibility of setting up a grant prior to future purchase.

Old Business

- Field Lease has been paid this month. Question regarding a 2019 Lease renewal still no word back from the town **PENDING**
- Solar installation has begun Batteries have been obtained and although they were not the original set of 4 180AH we have 3 170AH that are in much better condition. Battery box has been installed and charge controller and breaker location has been determined. Cage for controller and charging bench are in construction phase. Rails for solar panels have been installed, panels will be installed once charge controller has been installed. **Update** on controller replacement. System is fully functional and cost were below the original \$1800 voted in last spring. **CLOSED**
- Events proposed for 2018 are as follows: we
 - o Father's Day Fun Fly changed to a open fun fly no formal event concession will be set up Eric will send out notification. The event is listed in the community directory so something was required. **CLOSED**
- Spring cleanup was held Saturday June 2nd at 9am. A few members were present solar installation start, bench seat repair were performed. **CLOSED**
- Guest Flying recently has raised a concern so an investigation was conducted as to what the actual procedure should be according to MAAC the following process will be adapted immediately
 - o For individuals who are non MAAC Members introductory flights can take place for a period not to exceed 1 day. MAAC membership of the introductory pilot is not required providing the following conditions are Met
 - 1. They must be using a connected functional Buddy Box system, both wired and wireless connection methods are acceptable
 - 2. The Host/ training Pilot must be a current member of MAAC
 - 3. There shall be a competent pilot who is a current member of both MMFA and MAAC acting as instructor who is in possession of the Master Buddy box for the Duration of the Flight
 - o For current MAAC/AMA members who wish to fly as a Guest at our field that will be allowed for a period not to exceed 7 Calendar days. Providing the following conditions are met
 - 1. There must be a member of MMFA onsite the guest will not be provided with the gate code. Hosting can be transferred to any member at the field If all members are leaving the guest must leave as well.

- 2. The MMFA member who is Granting the guest access shall meet that individual at the field and insure that they are a Current MAAC member (either with a membership card or verification with ID on the MAAC website) and that they are capable pilots, they are aware of MMFA and MAAC rules and Guidelines such as proper pit procedure and our field boundaries, flight line etc. and agree to the member present criteria above
- A capable/competent pilot shall be considered as one who can safely take off an aircraft fly in a controlled manner within the field boundaries and safely return the aircraft to the ground on the Runway.
- They are welcome to become members and an etransfer process is in place to obtain membership contact Eric by email at etwingert@shaw.ca **CLOSED**

New Business

- Javier stepping down as Key holder for the PERC building. Bill Roberts volunteered to take this position over and now has the key. Ed King volunteered to look after indoor PERC flying this winter as well. Future dates TBD
- Not For Profit letter for 2018 was returned after 10 months saying it contained insufficient details for processing. Paper work submitted has been identical as in the past with no issues. Eric to re-submit ASAP.
- Discussion around development of the FPV track. This year was successful with keeping it mowed, however, the ground conditions make it very hard on equipment and operators. To prevent future damage / injuries we need to till and level the area. This will also speed up future mowing dramatically, lowering costs. Eric had contacted the Town of Stony Plain (Glenda) and was given permission to develop this land as the club sees fit. Motion placed by Terry Bignell to till this fall, cost not to exceed \$500. Motion seconded by Don M. Vote was all in favour, none against.
- Discussion around the addition of a 20' sea can for the club. This will allow storage of the Toro tractor, winter storage for all tractors as well as the club trailer. Dave O has a contact he will look into for pricing. Will apply for grant status if possible.

Adjourned 8:15 pm
50/50 \$18 Bill R