

Meridian Model Flyers Association
Minutes of the February 6th, 2024 meeting

Call to order 7:35 pm

attendance 15 Mbrs/4 Executive

Reading of Minutes

They were sent out via email and are on the website

Treasure Report

- Debits: Bank Fees,
- Credits: Membership for 2024, 50/50

Total membership 33 including 1 jr memberships for 2024

Full amounts available from the treasure on request

Correspondence

- MAAC president now has new YouTube update

Field Report

- Field is in great Flying condition,

Old Business

- Solar charging system batteries are quite week we will need to look at replacing them in the spring **UPDATE** Dale S has 2 6v golf cart batteries he will donate in the spring **Hold till spring**
- Concerns were raised by members in regards to no protection for pilots in the pilot station from planes being taxied out a barrier using existing materials will be put up behind the pilot stations once ground conditions allow. **Hold till Spring**
- Maurice has received the NFP renewal forms he will submit once elections and year end Audit has been completed **UPDATE** Maurice has finished the required paper work and audit will be done at the end of tonight's meeting and application forwarded to the province **UPDATE** documents have been completed and sent to the province on December 6 2023. **UPDATE** no response as of yet **PENDING**
- Indoor SOC paper work has been completed and presented at the meeting the suggested adjustments will be made and submitted to MAAC **UPDATE** suggested changes by MAAC have been made and submitted still awaiting approval **UPDATE** SOC has been approved and received **CLOSED**
- A request to have our field reinstated while the heliport is closed was submitted back in October of 2023, with no response with the new zone director being placed Maurice has sent it to the new zone director he has confirmed he has sent it up to the safety committee and the MAAC transport Canada liaison groups **UPDATE** This has been addressed see new Business **CLOSED**
- Dale has suggested that due to the extreme dry conditions additional fire suppression devices be added to the field. After discussion it was decided that an additional fire extinguisher be placed at the gate behind the pilot stations and that a couple of corn brooms be purchased and placed by the starting area and pilot stations. Also water suppression equipment such as sprayers will be addressed in the spring as that is not an option during the winter months. Shawn has a fire extinguisher he will donate and place on the fence at the exit gate to the pilot stations **HOLD TILL SPRING**

New Business

- Dale and his spouse hosted a BBQ lunch at the field Thanks To Them Both **CLOSED**
- Red Brick Common has sent us notice of a Rate increase from \$30 to \$40 per hour per location as we have paid in full till June this increase will not affect us until September

CLOSED

- Website renewal is now Due Ed K moved “ approve costs of up to \$200 to renew the Website hosting and associated fees” 2nd By Randy P all in favour the motion was carried
- A new lock for the battery cage needs to be purchased and the lock on the sea can that was partially cut will have to be addressed **PENDING**
- New key authorization individuals will have to be acquired as the current people who have authority are not in the club Dave will contact Terry and have him make arrangements with Maurice and George and Randy to get that done at the same time they will look into the partially cut sea can lock **PENDING**
- With the latest activities of a stolen vehicle left at the field, cut gate lock, and partially cut sea can lock a reminder will be sent to the member to be on the watch for suspicious vehicles and activities **CLOSED**
- As mentioned above Maurice has been in conversation with MAAC around having our original field layout reinstated because the Helipad at the hospital is in Closed status as per the NOTAM. He was successful in obtaining our ability to return to the old layout with a few rule changes and requirements. So with this our field will be restored to the original layout. Once the pilot stations have been moved to the original location we can commence flying from there. Until they are moved the current configuration must be used. Updated Rules and SOC are posted on the MAAC website under Clubs. Once the return to the original field layout is made the following is critical and mandatory with no exceptions . **WHEN YOU CHECK THE NOTAM DAILY BEFORE FLYING INSURE THAT CSP2 IS STILL IN CLOSED (CLSD) STATUS IF IT IS NOT YOU MUST RETURN TO OUR CURRENT FIELD LAYOUT BEFORE COMMENCING ANY FLIGHTS.** The link to the NAV Canada site to check for the NOTAM is below as well you can use RPAS Wilco to obtain the information
- Great Thanks to Maurice for pursuing this!!!!

[CFPS - Alphanumeric Weather Recall \(navcanada.ca\)](http://navcanada.ca)

Flying will commence in the Gym after the meeting

Next meeting will be March 5 at 7:30pm in the PERC building, the Gym is also available for indoor flying after the meeting

50/50 was won by Harley

Meeting Adjourned at 08:24 pm