

STARS

May 9th, regular meeting minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Clark Follett, Don Wehlage, Walt Hibbard, Kip Karn, Bill Messer, Gary Fitch, Jay Wade, Paul Gawlak, Jim Goodemote, Jim Keough, Ed Flicker, Tom Orcutt, Jamie Bowen, Dave Pratt, Ramona Follett, Randy Bittinger, Dick Say

READING OF MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2012 REGULAR MEETING:

Minutes of last regular meeting were read by Dick Say as club secretary was absent. Motion to accept by Jim Keough and seconded by Gary Fitch. Motion voted on and carried by membership

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurers report was read by Don Wehlage. Motion to accept and seconded by Jim Goodemote & Walt Hibbard. Motion carried by membership.

MEMBERSHIP:

Clark Follett presented a letter sent to him by Tad Manske requesting reapplication for STARS membership and also recommending Dale Butts and Grant LaFrance for membership. Enclosed were membership dues for Tad, Dale and Grant and enough information so that the membership present were able to vote to accept all three persons into membership in STARS. Another applicant; Dick Fisher was voted into membership also. Everyone expressed delight at having Tad back in STARS again. A hearty welcome to Tad and the other new members.

WEB SITE:

There was some discussion by the membership of requests made to STARS to post links on the STARS Website to commercial sites such as hobby shops etc. All agreed that it is beneficial if it relates to the hobby.

STARS RALLY:

Jim Goodemote reported that preparation for the 2012 STARS Rally was proceeding as planned. Jim also Said that the head set radios used during previous rallies were to be replaced for this rally. Jim also brought his rally posters to be passed out by members. The posters are beautiful, as usual. Jim reported that Fred Fowler, as staff at the Cattaraugus County/Olean Airport is going to endeavor to do much of the mowing in preparation for the 2012 STARS Rally! Great news - Thanks Fred.

RC CAR TRACK:

Derek was not present to report on development or progress of the RC car track. There was some discussion of whether to use a better grade of clay in fixture development of the track. Paul Gawlak works for the company we bought clay from and made a phone call to enquire about the price difference. He reported the difference and the club members opinion was generally that the increase in cost would was not too high.

INSTRUCTION:

Walt Hibbard reported one trainer aircraft is completed. Tom Orcutt said he has a new .40 glow engine he Would contribute to the club for use in a trainer aircraft.

CLUB PROJECT:

Dick Say had nothing to report.

PRESIDENTS CORNER:

Clark enquired whether or not the members presently listed on the STARS Web Site as instructors would

continue to perform that function. All replied affirmatively. In addition, Dave Pratt and Clark Follett are to be added to that list.

OLD BUSINESS:

There were about 30 people in attendance at the STARS SPRING DINNER (previously known as the STARS WINTER PARTY) Thanks to Jim Keough for organizing the event. There were no awards of any kind presented. The food was fine, the company excellent and all who attended seemed to enjoy themselves. Some expressed the sentiment that the party being held in the spring rather than January seemed like an idea that should be perpetuated.

The STARS Community Day, chaired by Derek Clement was canceled as Derek was unable to prepare for it and was unable to attend the last few STARS regular meetings. We will consider the idea again next year. It was reported that Dewey has already applied weed & feed to the STARS Airfield. Thanks Dew.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion by membership of having a display at Wal-Mart this year. Ramona Follett said she will check on availability of dates with Wal-Mart and let us know as soon as possible.

Jim Keough provided materials and labor to build up and seed the area around the STARS Club house as well as applying gravel to the entranceway driveway to the STARS Field. All at no cost to STARS.

THANKS Jim!

Gary Fitch, VP of AMA reported that the STARS secretary had failed to re charter the STARS with AMA. Both the AMA President and vice President of AMA are STARS members! Gary added that this was the first time in STARS history that this had ever happened. Arrangements were made for Clark Follett and Don Wehlage to receive a new charter kit from AMA and send it in as soon as possible.

NOTE:

It has been reported to me since the meeting that the charter papers are being sent to AMA today-May 14, 2012.

SHOW & TELL:

Nothing

MOTION TO ADJOURNE:

Motion made by Jim Goodemote, seconded by Jamie Bowen and all present were in favor.

NEXT PLANNING MEETING: May 28, 7PM @ STARS Field

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: June 13, 7:30PM @ STARS Field

Dick Say
5/14/2012