

STARS REGULAR MEETING of October 12th, 2016

The meeting began at 7:05pm in Room 124 of the Student Center at JCC Olean with the pledge of allegiance by all in attendance.

In Attendance: Randy Bittinger, Pat Casey, Brad Davis, Fred Fowler, Dan Haines, Jim Keough, Matt Kloss, Frank Leute, Clark Follett, Ramona Follett, Tad Manske, Tom Orcutt, Dick Say, Don Wehlage and one guest, Shelly Deitz; for a total of fifteen.

Minutes: The minutes of the September 14th meeting were read by Tad. They were approved by vote without change or addenda after motion and second of Dan and Ramona respectively.

Treasurer's Report: Don reported that checks were written this month to Cuba-Rushford Central for School taxes, National Grid, Dick Say and two to Ramona. Because of the school taxes, a transfer was made from savings. Deposits for the month came from an insurance overpayment, dues and the FPV event. Lastly, Don reported the current balances for the checking, savings and tractor accounts. His report was also accepted following a motion to that effect by Frank, a second by Dan, and a positive vote of those present.

Board Member Nominations: President Follett opened the floor for nominations for at-large board members to serve next year. Nominated from the floor were Ramona Follett, Brad Davis, Fred Fowler and Dan Haines. Clark reminded everyone that nominations would stay open until immediately before the vote on same, at next month's meeting.

Membership: Dick had talked to Ed this past week. Ed said that Gerrie is not doing very well. He said he'll be glad to keep up on the updating, but for now that's about all he can handle. There was no change in membership over the past 30 days.

Web Site: Clark has sent an e-mail to Tom Jackson thanking him for all his work on a possible new web site, but also told Tom we've decided to stick with, and make updates and positive changes to the one we have. Dick added that, although Bob is very busy this week... Dale is invited and encouraged to call him after this week, as regards helping.

Instruction: Jim said that Adam Moser has successfully completed all his instruction very swiftly, and is currently “good to go”. He also said that a demonstration had been scheduled for tomorrow at the field, but the weather really doesn’t look very conducive to such.

The President’s Corner: Clark has completed negotiations with the Cuba-Rushford School District and can report that we are all set to be able to fly every Sunday from November 6th through April 30th. Anyone with a current valid AMA card is welcome to fly. The door will be unlocked for member entrance between 1:00 and 1:30pm each Sunday. Brad Davis will be in charge of the key card for the club.

Would everyone please check the membership list to assure that all the information listed after your name is correct? Report any omissions or incorrect entries to Ed. We want to get it up to a current status, including getting rid of the names of those no longer members on each member’s individual mailing list.

The Vice President’s Corner: Dick said he felt that the FPV event went very well. He was impressed with our guests and said they seemed to really enjoy themselves. He especially thanked Fred and Dewey for their mowing, Matt and Shelly for orchestrating and operating the whole show, and Ramona, Clark and all those who contributed food or assisted that day.

Old Business: After considerable discussion, the club decided to re-clean the stainless steel grill we have, replacing any parts needed, and also purchase a four-burner flat top (a 36” Blackstone) from Worth Smith. This was finalized by motion and second of Dan and Ramona respectively, and a positive vote of those present.

Clark personally thanked Matt and Shelly for all their efforts, and complimented them on the turkeys- they were delicious (and devoured!) Like Dick, he was impressed with our guests, calling them “an excellent group we should invite again”.

Dick asked Clark about the status of the certificate for Keith Miller. Dick will handle it going forward, including getting it framed.

New Business: Randy announced that he’d sent in a request to use the airport July 9th and 10th.

The Club next considered the question “do we want an FPV event next summer?” To a resounding yes from those in attendance, Clark added, “and a small one in the fall also!” Matt said, if so, we need to get going on it right away. He’ll require lots of enthusiasm from the club. A long and positive discussion ensued, with an upbeat ending.

Show and Tell: There was none.

STARS’ stuff: Tom is in the house... see him after the meeting.

The next planning meeting will be held at Tad’s house on November 1st (because Halloween falls on the last Monday in October) at 7:00pm.

The next regular meeting will be held here at JCC Olean on November 9th at 7:00pm.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Frank Leute, seconded by Ramona Follett, and passed by vote of the members present at 8:17pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tad P Manske, Secretary