

## **STARS' REGULAR MEETING OF May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**The meeting began at 7:00pm in room 224 of the Student Center at JCC Olean with the pledge of allegiance by all in attendance.**

**In Attendance:** Randy Bittinger, Bob Brown, Pat Casey, David Conklin, Dick Fisher, Ed Flicker, Clark Follett, Ramona Follett, Dan Haines, Matt Kloss, Frank Leute, Tad Manske, Dick Say, Don Wehlage, and guest JoAnne Brown, for a total of fifteen.

**Minutes:** the minutes of the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting were read by the secretary.

One correction was made. It was Don, not Dan- who had offered to help Dale with the website, if asked.

Following the correction, the minutes were approved by vote, after motion of Dan and second of Ramona.

**Treasurer's Report:** Don reported writing two checks during the last month, one to National Grid and the second to Dick Say for stamps.

Five debit card purchases were also recorded; one each for gas, herbicide, pop, water and work gloves.

This report was also accepted by vote, following motion and second of Dan and Frank respectively.

**Membership:** Ed reported nothing new. Dan reported talking to (and selling FPV raffle tickets to) several interested people who were asking about the club.

**Web:** Nothing new here either.

**Instruction:** It was reported that Jim has been working with Bob Mansour.

**The FPV Race:** As Matt had to leave as soon as possible to get to work, his report was inserted here.

Matt reported that Phil Aumer of Buffalo has agreed to be the designer for our course.

Two checks were turned in to Don.

Talk of mowing concluded the FPV event presentation and discussion.

**Our Fun-Fly (and District II event):** Randy announced that a band led by a Fields' Hobby member will be playing at the event. All we need supply for them is electricity and one plywood sheet for each band member.

A long discussion ensued on the merits of buying a Yeti cooler to raffle off, and if so, which one. Also as to whether to print the tickets for the raffle, or simply use a double ticket roll. Lastly, should they be offered as presale, or only during events? When the dust settled a motion to buy the cooler and print the tickets was made by Bob, seconded by Ramona, and passed by vote.

**The President's Corner:** Clark reminded all that we still need a new contest director volunteer to step forward.

Bad news on the bulldozer front... The principal at the Cattaraugus-Allegany BOCES Center in Belmont has refused our request. She doesn't want school equipment to leave school property.

Clark and Ramona's daughter is in need of all our prayers. Her recent medical problems have not only been very wearing on her and continue to be so, but have worn Ramona and Clark ragged as well.

**The Vice President's Corner:** Dick reminded all to put their FAA number on all their planes!

He next gave an update on his efforts with the placemats. He passed around the proofs for our design, and noted we will be in two different restaurants.

As regards contributions for our fun-fly, Clark has received some contributions, but is hoping for more. He feels that we need to develop a club stationary and envelope that highlights our new logo. Bob said we need to do the same with thank-you notes and envelopes- contributors appreciate them!

He reminded all members of two things... starting in June, meetings will be at the field; and that when landing and taxiing, keep you craft parallel to the runway, not facing toward or away from the flight line.

**Old Business:** Thinking about the Community Open House, Dan mentioned possibly bringing old RC magazine to be given away. Bob and JoAnne both mentioned that give away materials (including copies of *Model Aviation*) are

available from AMA headquarters. Bob mentioned that Erin is the one to contact for the magazines.

Clark asked all to put our fun-fly posters around in all your local towns. Dick said he will contact the Buffalo TV stations to see if they'd be interested in coming.

As the Community Open House (on the 20<sup>th</sup>) is scheduled from noon until 5:00pm, there will be a work party scheduled for the morning that day.

Don reminded everyone that the geotex needs to be attended to as soon as possible.

Ending old business on a happy note, Ed announced that Steve and Fred will build a flight table to replace the one which was stolen.

**New Business:** There was none.

**Show & Tell:** Bob showed a quad that is relatively inexpensive and a good way to get into FPV racing.

Dan has motor shaft material if anyone needs their bent shaft replaced.

**The next planning meeting will be held at the field on TBA**

**The next regular meeting will be held at the field on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.**

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Ramona Follett and seconded by Don Wehlage. It was passed by vote of the members present at 8:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Tad P. Manske*, Secretary