

Fresno Radio Modelers Meeting Minutes 5/11/2005

Meeting - Roland called the meeting to order at 1930 hours. 47 in attendance. No changes to the previous minutes.

Treasurers Report - Jim Breen reported the balances from the Vertical Challenge.

Guests - Robert Brandon

New Members - James Henry, Dan Young, Robert Knight, Eldon Heinrich

Old Business (1) Cost of the electrical work on the field went over by \$84. John Lockwood moved we pay the difference and those in attendance approved. (2) Further discussion ensued as to outfitting the pits with the lights, and who approved the work. It was discussed that the existing system may have once been ideally configured; however, the current generator was not being efficiently tapped into. The new electrical changes at the field can take advantage of the generators capacity. (3) Dudley discussed the success of swap meet. (4) John Lockwood also motioned that we reimburse Dan for his out of pocket expense. The group agreed.

New Business (1) Jim proposed that the new bylaws be modified so that to avoid confusion as to whether the Contest Manager or Specific Event Manager be responsible for the event budget. Both John L. and Craig R. asked that the by-law modification be flexible enough to accept contingencies. It was further added that a written proposed budget be submitted ahead of time of each event so that adequate and appropriate consideration to potential expenses be given. Jim suggested that future event budgets be limited to comparable expenses from previous years. Jim acknowledged that he will draft text and forward to the Board for comments prior to club approval. (2) In another area Roland brought up the issue on whether certain event perks (bands etc.) are needed; and, whether these events cut into member flying time on weekends. It was suggested we further assess these issues and leave some of these decisions up to both the Contest Director and Event Manager. (3) It was further discussed that one of the key issues in raising gate donation fees at the various events may involve adequate advance PR.

Awards

- **Crying Towel** - Craig Roberts for losing his plane at the lake and all the race pilots for their respective losses.
- **Goof** - Jack Weims for leaving his electric plane on while on the bench.
- **Ace** - Jack Weims for flying his plane and landing it on the roof of the snack bar and Greg Rose for his pylon racing success.

Show-n-Tell Jack Weims showed off his electric and another member (sorry, didn't catch the name) showed off his built up balsa replica of a 1939 AirTrails Sportster with a brushless 400 motor.

Raffle – Was another success with plans, engines, and fixings.

Meeting ended at 2116 hrs.

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Minutes respectfully submitted – Conrad Nerdahl – Secretary