

## WATTS NEW - Fresno Radio Modelers Meeting Minutes November 10, 2005

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*There were smaller items of discussion and may have inadvertently been missed. Please bring any corrections to the next meeting.*

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Meeting called to order at 7:35 by Secretary Conrad Nerdahl in President Roland Lamers absence. There were approximately 35 in attendance. Also, there were no suggested changes to the previous minutes.

**Treasury Report** – C. Nerdahl acted in Jim Breen's stead and provided the monthly and Warbirds over Yosemite financial report – balances continue to look good.

**New Members** – Aaron Knight, Eddie Knight, Leonard Hamnes, Jerry Dollar, and Morris Fruit.

**Old Business** - **1)** Craig reported that Mrs. Guy went into the hospital and the club voted to send some flowers to her and wish her the best recovery. **2)** Craig also learned that the Guy's indicated that they have taken their property off the market. A discussion surfaced to clarify the lease duration; some thought we had another 10 years and it was clarified that we have another 3 years left. **3)** Another question was raised on when or if the field crew would be painting the container. This discussion was tabled till the Field Crew could have an opportunity to respond. **4)** One of the members asked as to where the drag was; as, it appeared to be missing. This was also tabled for the Field Crew.

**New Business** - **1)** Eric Dreaden provided a report on the Warbirds event. **2)** In another area, Eric raised the question on event funding and why more funding could not be authorized for the event as per current bylaws. Eric's valid concerns were that the bylaws apparently limit event funding to historical costs. The bylaws were discussed that procedurally the event CD could provide to the e-board or the club membership a proposal on what might be needed above the authorized amount for approval. Eric indicated that he was not aware of this option; and, mentioned that some individuals still have outstanding expenses. It was suggested that these expenses should still be reported as these will provide a more accurate event cost and in turn raise the baseline in subsequent years for the same event. Another option mentioned was, that event costs should be looked at not as an individual event cost; but rather, the average costs of all events to establish a more equitable baseline budget – independent on whether a single event proves successful – as the goal is to have success at all the events. A motion was made and carried that the e-board should look into this and discuss a plausible revision to the current bylaws on funding events. **3)** Secretary – Conrad Nerdahl – discussed a new field option being discussed with the City of Fresno. Where, the City is exploring the inclusion of model aviation into their new Southwest Fresno regional park located at Marks and Jensen. Approximately 30 to 50 acres would ultimately be made available for Radio Control flying; with, another piece of property of about 40 acres possible at a later date – dependent in a subsequent expansion. This is a 3-10 year out plan; contingent on more studies etc.

### **Awards**

- **Ace Award** – the Warbirds event promoters and John Lockwood.
- **Goof Award** – J. Breens downwind take-off/undesirable parking lot landing with his Liberty Sport.
- **Crying Towel** – Randy's P47; as well as Dave's Spitfire.

Meeting ended at 8:35 pm followed by the Raffle.

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Minutes respectfully submitted – Conrad Nerdahl – Secretary