

## WATTS NEW - Fresno Radio Modelers Meeting Minutes - February 9, 2006

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**Meeting** - Roland called the meeting to order at 1935 hours. 50+ in attendance. No changes to the previous minutes noted.

**Treasurers Report** - Jim Breen reported the balances are doing well.

**Guests** - Rick Scholl, David (unk Last Name), Richard (unk Last Name), Gail Lamer, and Mr. And Mrs. Guy

**New Members** - Rex Gerber (sp.?), was voted in.

**Old Business** - **(1)** Looking at the Flood Control Basin north of Shepherd Ave; however, there appear to be numerous bureaucratic hoops to jump through. Field-Site committee will not give up until a location is found.

**(2)** Craig mentioned that he brought in the Leader Club info if anyone's interested in looking at it.

**New Business** - **(1)** Mr. Guy and his wife attended and illustrated the real estate challenges they face. They are apparently being asked to vacate their property quite soon - by March 15; - and have found 5 acres on the other side of the canal on which to reside. Apparently, there are still some litigious issues being weighed during escrow and the final sale is yet uncertain. In their generosity, they have offered a portion of their new land for us to fly on and illustrated how we might make it work. George Santikian synopsised some discussion he's had with the new buyers and it became apparent that our written contract was apparently overlooked. George will present a copy of the lease and AMA liability insurance declaration to the parties involved. **(2)** Jim Breen presented a motion to have the bank account converted to single signature option. This is apparently the banks new structure and ultimately simplifies transactions. This proposal was moved and carried. There was some additional discussion on how we handle expense disclosures and Jim will work on this. **(4)** Roland introduced Matt Raymond as the Event Committee chair. Matt then introduced the committee members and presented a brief discussion on the findings of the committee, illustrating the need for volunteers at all the upcoming events. Essentially each member needs to volunteer at least one day per year at one of the events. Matt then handed out an event list and requested volunteers sign up. It was disclosed that these events are responsible for a significant portion of the clubs financial backbone; which, will ultimately be used for field relocation. **PLEASE VOLUNTEER.** Also, Volunteers will eventually receive some type of reward; however, the E-Board and the Committee are still working out the details. **(5)** Make-a-Wish Fun-Fly - Jim Breen shared a personal story in support of the Make-A-Wish Fly-In coming up – goto the [www.frqm.org](http://www.frqm.org) website for a listing of all events – Fresno or Northern California. **(6)** There is an increasing safety issue occurring at the field; where, inexperienced, non-FRM Members, non-AMA people are unfamiliar with RC flying protocol. These individuals are turning on radios without securing the frequency paddle and have been responsible for at least one crash recently. Significant discussion surfaced on this and the initial outcome pending further assessment is to ***(A) Be alert, (B) watch out for new people, (C) introduce them to the RC protocols, (D) insure that new flyers are either or both Club Members and AMA holders before they Fly; and, (E) politely question anyone you are unfamiliar – even current members --- to make sure they have their AMA Displayed as well as the FRM 2006 membership stamp.***

### **Awards**

- **At-a-Boy** - John L. for helping all the new pilots
- **Goof & Crying Towel** - the Raging Cajun-flying without the paddle.
- **Ace** - None

**Show and Tell** - Jack with his float fly and massive throw on the flaps coupled with the elevator for corrective attitude adjustment.

**Meeting ended at 2112 hrs.**