

Highland Lakes Flyers, Inc.
Chartered Club 2317, Academy of Model Aeronautics
Minutes
January 19, 2016



Convene Meeting: 7:00 PM, at Kingsland Library. Required quorum of nine. Fourteen members present.

Member Reported With Health Concerns: Ed Bullock, Howard Hilton & Rusty Nefford.

Review & Approve Secretary Schaefer's Minutes from Meeting on November 17, 2015: Minutes having been previously distributed via email, a motion to approve by Wayne Meredith, seconded by Richard Nichols, passed unanimously.

Review & Approve Treasurer McDougall's Bi-Monthly Report – October 27th to December 24th: In the General Fund, the beginning balance was \$652.84. The ending balance was \$2,252.66. There was income of \$2,142.50 & expense of \$542.68. Income attributed to 2016 dues was \$2,142.50. In the Capital Improvement Fund, the beginning balance was \$11,445.45. Interest income was \$0.54, resulting in an ending balance of \$11,445.99. A motion by Leif Erickson to approve the report, seconded by Jesse Webb, passed unanimously.

Review & Approve Treasurer McDougall's Annual 2015 Report: In the General Fund, the beginning balance on January 1st, was \$2,804.02. The ending balance on December 31st, was \$2,252.66. There was income of \$4,356.38 & expense of \$4,907.74. For the same period, the Capital Improvement Fund's beginning balance was \$11,742.51. Following income of \$203.48, the ending balance was \$11,445.99. A motion by Jesse Webb to approve the report, seconded by Richard Nichols, passed unanimously.

Safety Officer Campbell's Report: There have no recently observed operational safety issues. Members were advised to be cautious while walking on the petromat when overnight freezing conditions occur as the surface may be very slick.

Approve Funds Transfer From Checking Account To Savings Account: A motion by Mike McDougall to approve a \$500.00 transfer, seconded by Leif Erickson, passed unanimously.

Membership Status: Dave Schaefer reported that year 2016 started off with thirty-nine members, including thirty-three Adults, one Honorary, four Associates, and one Junior. Total 2016 dues collected amounted to \$2,630.00. New membership cards were distributed to meeting attendees.

2015 Highlights: Bill Autrey recounted some of the past year's accomplishments & events including a new shelter, two membership picnics, and the annual Flights Of Fancy on June 27th.

Fun Fly Events – Past & Future: Richard Nichols recounted the two recent competitive fun fly events. Member's comments were in favor of periodically conducting similar competitions as well as occasional float flying at Llano City Park.

2016 Event Planning: Bill Autrey suggested the following event dates for the coming year: Club Picnic on June 11th, Flights Of Fancy on June 25th, & Club Picnic on October 15th.

Gate Locks Combination Change: A new combination was approved and will be available by word of mouth.

2016 Bi-Monthly Meeting Schedule: Owing to Library scheduling, the club will be meeting on the following dates: January 19th, March 15th, May 10th, July 19th, September 20th, & November 22nd. May, & November are exceptions to the normal third Tuesday schedule.

Runway Replacement Discussion: Bill Autrey discussed the possibility of replacing the oldest portion of the runway sometime within the coming year. To initiate this process, a motion by Mike McDougall, seconded by Leif Erickson, to approve \$7,000.00 for the project passed unanimously. There will be several factors to consider prior to making a decision to proceed. By purchasing fabric in San Antonio, the club could save several hundred dollars in transport costs, but it will be necessary to confirm product quality. The condition of the ground must be optimal for driving staples. And, the availability of adequate volunteer labor will be a very important issue.

FAA Drone Registration Discussion: Members discussed the new FAA registration requirement. Although neither the club, nor AMA, requires FAA registration, members are encouraged to register. Registration is a rather simple process via the internet.

Membership Recruiting: Richard Nichols raised the issue of the club's reaching out to area youth who might be interested in R/C activities.

Membership Class Criteria: Mike McDougall raised the issue of reviewing criteria for each membership class to determine if changes might be warranted. Board members will be looking into the matter.

Adjourn At 8:05 PM