



AMA CHARTER 534

Board Meeting Minutes

February 24, 2022

President Bruce Tharpe opened the meeting at 7:00 PM, at the Senior Center with all board members present except Jay Strickland.

Old Business

Senior Center Status

Bruce updated us that a representative from the City of Central Point Parks Department had contacted him and was sending a rental agreement good through March. There has been no mention of any rent charge and no contact as yet with the new owners, the Rogue Valley Council of Governments. Scott shared that a Dean Gradwell had offered the use of his private hanger (on the airport) as a temporary solution if needed.

Treasurer Report

Art reported that we currently have received \$4,900 in dues for 2022, with 110 registered members, 95 of which pay dues. For perspective, he shared that with an expected \$8,000 in expenses for this year, it would take 60 new members paying dues to make up that difference between income and expenses (if we were only relying on memberships). This emphasizes the need to bring in income from events to supplement our income, as well as continuing to recruit new members.

Art did see a small account we carry at the credit union that had a Business Account designation and upon investigation he learned it paid about 3% interest (versus the less than 1% we currently receive on our main account). He is looking into what would be required to move the bulk of our funds into that account. The difference in interest income received would be the equivalent of 3 new dues paying members.

This brought up a brief discussion about what events we currently charge fees for, and some early thoughts about this year's air show.

Gravel Delivered

Scott confirmed that the County had delivered the promised gravel which was to be for the low spots behind the toilets. He also shared that the Roads Department had asked if the club would be interested in allowing them to store some chip rock on our property April-August of 2023, in exchange for grading and dust control of our access road throughout the whole year. The rock pile (50' X 50') would be dumped just inside our gate, on the patch to the left as you drive in. Bruce stated that he did not think this would require any official vote and the Board members were unanimously in support of the proposal.

LiPo Battery Recycling Signage

Eric shared a rendering that he had drafted of a sign to go on the wall above the battery charging area and made a motion to approve up to \$100 to have it made. Eric said he thought he should be able to get it done for

less but wanted to have a buffer. It would be made out of wood and should last quite a while, especially as it is under the cover of the roof. Art seconded his motion and it passed unanimously.

Replacement Bleacher Planks

Eric reported that he had obtained a second quote for the required wood to make the repairs on the bleacher benches from Parr Lumber and would give us those numbers. He felt the quote was so close to what he had obtained earlier that it was a negligible difference, especially considering Parr's sponsorships of our air show in the past. He also wanted to ask them for their recommendation as to which type of wood would be best.

Updated Dues Policy

Scott asked about our progress on updating our forms reflecting the new dues policy. Eric said he was working on them. Scott reminded us to check the website for the tabs on "How To Join" and "How To Renew".

New Business

Ron Dilday Estate

Clark Wolf had reached out to Bruce announcing that Ron Dilday had passed and had willed his extensive RC airplane collection to the Rogue Eagles. He and Dale McCuiston had made several trailer loads to bring everything to our Con Ex for storage and planned to hold an auction with all proceeds going to the club. They also wanted to pull specific items to be offered as raffle items in our events throughout the year, in an effort to also bring in club revenue. Given past experiences with donated collections it was suggested that the Board should see some verification from the will confirming that was the estate's intent.

AMA Leader Club Award

Bruce received notice from the AMA that our club was acknowledged for being a Leader Club for the last 5 years. There were patches included with a framed certificate.

Runway Edges

Eric expressed interest in organizing a wok party to lay some DG along the north edge of the runway in spots where the weather had exposed some deeper drops from the pavement. He will look at it more closely and set up an announcement.

Submitted by Rob Merriman