

State College Radio Control Club Monday, March 11th 2013 Meeting Minutes

Ron Lueth called the meeting to order at 7:03. No visitors, guests or new members in attendance.

- The February 5th meeting minutes were approved.
- Treasurer's Report. With the March meeting as the deadline for membership renewals, Jon Guizar reported that we have 31 paid members with another 12 in process. This puts us at the level of last year's total of members. We have 5 new standard members and 2 new junior members. No expenses were paid since last month's meeting but we do have the field rent and the AMA club dues coming up. Jon estimates that about half of the allotted indoor flying subsidy remains. He will have exact figures for that after the final indoor flying session. He advised the balance of our account and the members approved the Treasurer's report.

- Unfinished business –

The meeting with Jack Garbrick has not taken place yet. We need to approach him with the proposed new signage for "Club Members Only" and also discuss operating RC cars and trucks at the field as discussed in previous meetings.

Member Renewals. This meeting (the March meeting) is the deadline for renewing. There is a reinstatement fee. The roster must be completed ASAP because the deadline for SCRC to renew our club charter with the AMA is March 31st.

New Member Orientations. New SCRC members should become familiar with our field rules, field layout and safety rules. Todd Cook is working this out but Todd was not in attendance to report any progress.

- New business –

Hobby Town USA has requested a list of SCRC members with e-mail addresses. The Manager has indicated that he will join SCRC. Club members can sign up for a discount (point system) at the store and leave their contact information. There was a proposal for accumulated points to go to the club instead of being applied to the individual's account. The members felt that we should not give out contact information for business purposes and also each member should keep their own store discounts. This would mean that a Hobby Town USA employee who joins SCRC would have access to membership contact information but we must advise them to not use it for business purposes without each individual's consent. Arron Bates motioned to for the club to not give out the member's contact information. Motion was seconded and approved.

At the Spikes Fest event last month. SCRC was approached by the Pleasant Gap Little League to give flying demonstrations and host a static display of RC models. The date for this is May 11th. Also, Millbrook Marsh would like us to do flying demonstrations and a static display on June 1st. The Spikes baseball organization wants SCRC to display models in the main entrance of the stadium for their season home opener Monday, June 17th. We have yet work out details for flight demonstrations for the crowd. We asked members in attendance if they had any objections to the officers setting up events such as these. No one objected.

We discussed the AMA TAG (take off and grow) grant program. The AMA will grant up to \$1000 to clubs that host events to attract newcomers to the hobby. Since we've been doing quite a bit of this lately, members felt that it would be a good idea to apply for this grant and possibly use the money to upgrade the equipment we use to make these presentations.

We reported last month that our Open Fun Fly was scheduled for June 28th, 29th and 30th. These dates conflict with the BAMS (Butler Aircraft Modelers Society) air show for 2013. Ron proposed new dates for the Fun Fly – June 7th, 8th and 9th. Jon Guizar made the motion to accept these dates. Bill Doublosky seconded. Motion Carried.

- Open Floor Discussion –

Al Jones passed around a magazine, Heli Pilot. It had an article featuring a photo of SCRC's Sandy Jaffe doing scale model judging. Al Niessner made us aware of a product that makes it easier to disconnect Deans connectors. It's like a band that goes around each half of the connector to give you something to grab on to. Al reports that they work very well.

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- Coming Events –
SCRC Indoor Fly, March 30th, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
Toledo Ohio Weak Signals R/C Show, April 5th and 6th
Buzzard Field Open Fun Fly, May 4th and 5th.
- Meeting Adjournment – The motion to adjourn was made at 7:50 pm. Motion Carried.
- Show and Tell –
- Program – Ron Lueth brought many examples of his electric motors for model planes and gave a very informative presentation on electric motor sizing to match your plane according to airframe weight and desired performance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daryl Allen, Secretary