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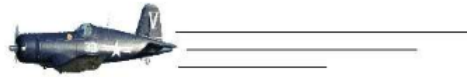
Next Meeting: is the Christmas Party

December 20th 2017 Starting at 6:00pm

Location – Hanford Clubhouse in Sunflower Village

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President Bill Slabey opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with 52 people present.

Discussions

Old Business

THE CLUB ELECTION:

As you know the club nominations were held last month and this year we have two opponents challenging the incumbents of President and Vice President. At this November's meeting, voting for these positions started at 6:30 pm and at approximately 7:30 the secretary called for the vote to be closed. At that time a 15 to 20-minute recess was called while the votes were counted. The results, a total of 58 votes counted for the office of President and a total of 57 votes counted for office of Vice President. In each case only some 5-vote difference between the candidates. The difference in vote count between President and Vice President was due to one abstention in the vice president count. As approximately 8:00 PM the secretary declared the winners...

Bill Slabey and Joe McCarthy, retain their presidential positions.

All the offices of our club can be demanding and time consuming not to mention members being critical of decisions and outcomes. At this time, I would like to stress the importance of members support for their club officers and would like to thank those who expressed their support and gratefulness in our endeavors. Bill and Joe need your full support and guidance. Your confidence in our leader's decisions can only make this a better club now and in the future.... So, get on board for another year of the Flying Pilgrims a great bunch of guys and gals enjoying the sport of flying and aircraft modeling.

New Business

Guest training and club bylaws:

Prior to this meeting, our bylaws did not allow for a non-member who did not carry AMA insurance to fly at our field. Joe McCarthy brought to light that there are two cases under which AMA allows non-members to fly. The first case is the one time only rule and the other is the introductory pilot program. After some discussion a motion was made.

A Motion - was made to allow non-AMA members to fly at our field under the AMA introductory pilot program which will allow for nonmembers to fly without AMA insurance for a period of 60 consecutive days under the program.

Hank Wideman - seconded the motion.

Motion was resolved and passed by major majority of the members voting yes.

Information on the one time only rule can be found in AMA document 911. Member instructors who are interested in or wish to administer the pilot training program, should read information provided in AMA document 917.

Dan Debens Reported on Club Minutes:

This report is in mainly in reference to last month meetings discussion on the financial position of the club and motion enacted. After a careful review I found the motion to be out of order and some other related facts possibly misleading.

Taking the last part first, It was offered in the October meeting that the average dues in this geographical area was approximately 150-dollars. I took it upon myself to poll 25 clubs in Michigan and received 17 answers from the club officers. The result of my pole is that the average of the 17 received, was \$54.4 dollars. 1 club reported dues at \$120, 1 at \$100 and 2 at \$75 ours included. These were the high's.

Continuing with my report at this Nov. meeting **I declared the October Motion and Vote to raise dues in 2019- Null and Void**. The bases of this act fell on the simple fact that in order to reflect for a month on what may need to be done to balance the budget, Jim Smith tabled the October discussion with general approval of the club members prior to the vote. To be clear, all financial discussion was exhausted and tabled till next month prior to the vote thus making the motion out of order.

One last note I put to the members was the fact that the 30 or so members who show up for the meetings are responsible to the other 100 members that don't. To bump the dues 33% in an out of order vote is ill responsible.

After some discussion, it was agreed that a better plan and more information be presented to the members at the January 2018 meeting.

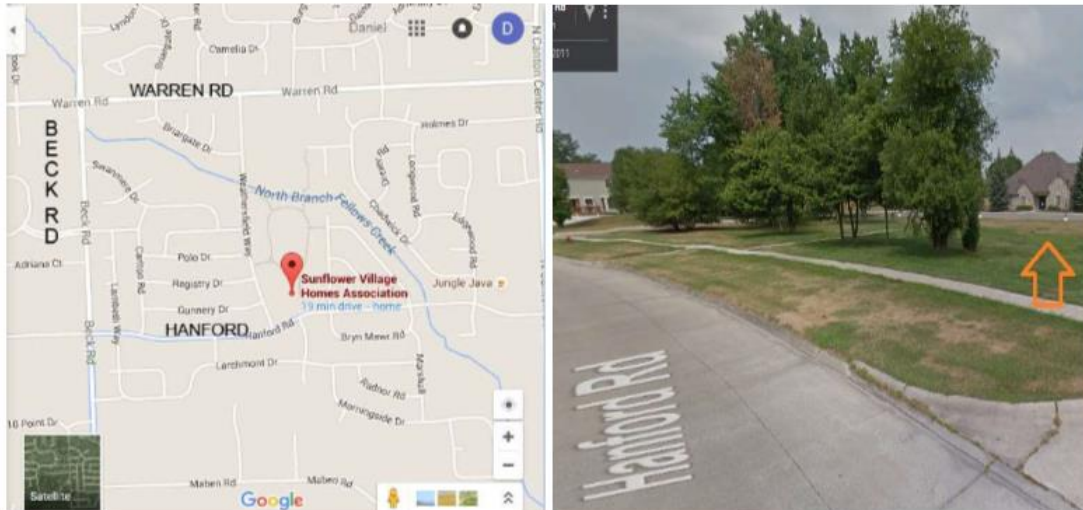
Christmas party:

Our club Christmas party will be held on **December 20 at the Hanford clubhouse**. Event agenda as follows - Sometime after 5pm, club volunteers will setup the clubhouse area for the party. At around 6pm, Club members are welcome to arrive. At 7pm, The food will be served.

Members and their families are welcome to come and enjoy free pizza, pop, and other goodies. This is our annual event for all members to come together and share in friendship and discussion about the year's events. No alcohol is available on site, but it is permitted. Bring your own favorite beverage and share in the celebration. To be clear, the party is held in place of our regular meeting, a held at the **Hanford clubhouse** same as last year.

The club officers and members would like to thank Jack Kezelian and helpers for stepping up and organizing the event.

The Hanford clubhouse in the Sunflower Village subdivision.
The address is: **45800 Hanford Rd. Canton, Mi. 48187**



New business:

Christmas party RSVP:

Jack would like all members who plan to attend the party to **email** him on the number of people in your party. This will give jack a better idea on how much food to order.

As a reminder of last month's Christmas Motion:

There will be a \$5-dollar donation collected to offset the cost of the food and hall rental.

FIELD OPERATION SAFETY starts with all members vigilance!

Follow the "SEE AND AVOID" GUIDANCE set forth by the AMA.

Call out warnings of approaching full size aircraft.

Fly at a safe low altitude relative to oncoming full-size aircraft.

Because of our location relative to Willow Run Airport, we have a **400 Ft.** height restriction.

Commercial test development of UAV's is prohibited at the field.

Dan D (Sec)

If you have any items you would like to sell and send a list out to the club, feel free to email me pictures. I will be happy to email viva mas email mail system. Anything worth mentioning for the Fun Stuff section, ongoing projects or additions to our expert information folder etc. are welcome as well. secretary@flyingpilgrims.com

If you're interested in getting more information or joining the club. Please feel free to contact me by phone at 734-482-8258; See us at the field or attend our monthly meeting, now being held Mettetal Airport. The address is **8550 Lilley Rd, Canton, MI 48187.**

Note: A high resolution copy of the **newsletter and pictures** can be viewed or downloaded via the **Microsoft OneDrive** secure link provided at top of email.

Flying Pilgrims Club Officers for 2017

President: –	Bill Slabey		
Vice President: –	Joe McCarthy	<i>Trustees:</i>	Steve Cecale
Secretary: –	Daniel Debens		Don Kolehmainen
Treasurer: –	Jordan Hall		Joe Nazelli
Safety Officer: –	Glenn McIntosh	<i>Chief Flight Instructor:</i>	Ed Hernandez
Lead Instructor: –	Ed. Hernandez	<i>Sub Instructor:</i>	Daniel Debens
Webmaster: –	Carl Cornell		

SHOW & TELL

Tom Ranta's F16 presented at the October meeting.





Hank Wildeman: Was first up with his scratch built launch cart.



Rick Vera-Burgos Was next showing his new P-40 Warhawk and Spitfire. P-40 was purchased form Banana Hobby approx. price \$565 with Shipping. Spitfire was from Motion RC. Costing \$319.



Jack Javor: Showing his scratch build Flight Test mini X22. Using dollar tree foam and covered with simulated aluminum - duct tape.

