

Desert Eagles Model Airplane Flying Club
Meeting Minutes 5/1/2006
Location: Aeromark

Brent Belnap, Russ Crawford, Walter Grasmick and Lee Powell were the board members present. An estimated 20 club members were present.

Brent opened the meeting and passed on the club's regrets on the death of Chip Kranz's mother.

Talked about getting new members. Three Red Baron's members were coming tonight but apparently got stranded in SLC. Four new members have joined – probably because the \$30 initiation fee was temporarily suspended.

There was fairly thorough and active discussion about the fee. It originated with the original members because the club treasury was very lean at that time so the members paid a significant amount of the startup costs out of their own pockets. It was pointed out that this fee has a definite tendency to discourage new members and we want to encourage park flyers to join. Jim Haldy moved to remove the fee and Bliss Wheeler seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to stop collecting the fee. The bylaws will need to be changed to reflect this decision.

A form stating that the bylaws have been read and will be followed was distributed to the members present for their signature and turned in to Walter.

Some discussion took place regarding the RC car club (called ROAR) and the idea of their possible operation at our flying field. They do have strict rules also. They would also have to follow our applicable rules such as noise levels. Basically, they would have a track to use at the convenience of the flying club and would have to comply with any negotiated restrictions.

We would need to talk to the County Commissioners about running RC cars at the field. (The board had previously mentioned this to one of the commissioners. (No objections.) We need to maintain control of the field.

Discussed the results of a friendly visit with the neighbors in the white house. They do not want us flying over their property (understandable with children playing outside). Also, they would like us to restrict our flying to electrics or gliders during family reunions and picnics. Contacts were left with them so that they can notify us ahead of time.

We should notify them when we have a fly-in, etc.

Field mowing will cost \$40 per mow of the field, not including the pit area or control line circle. This was approved.

Jim Haldy presented ideas for slow stick combat flying events. Basically, electric power with 1000 mah batteries. Will hard hats be required? Will have to check the AMA rules.

Submitted by the secretary, Russ Crawford