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Prez Sez for October 2017

Meeting at the Hobby Shop

This month we will be meeting at the Mark Twain hobby shop Wednesday October 11th at 7:00 P.M. We will continue to meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

Officer Nominations

As required by the by-laws we will be accepting nominations for all officer positions. The election will occur at the November meeting. Please consider if you can serve the club as an officer. Most of us have been in our positions for several years and could use a break. Mike Dierker especially has been asking to be replaced as Treasurer for the last two years, but we have been unable to find someone to take his place.

By-Laws Update

I have updated the by-laws to replace the permanent board of directors and do other updates such as delete committees that are no longer active. The updated by-laws will be sent out as an attachment to this newsletter. We can start the voting process next month.

As I mentioned at the last meeting, since passing by-laws change requires a majority vote of all full members, we will first ask for responses by email. The officers will then call those that do not respond in a reasonable time to record their verbal response since we cannot get a majority to attend at any given club meeting. I am open for suggestions if someone has a better idea that they can make as a motion at the next meeting.

Membership Spots Still Open

We still have openings for more members, so if anyone asks, invite them to join. Dues are \$125 for the full year. After the September meeting dues are \$35 to cover the remainder of the calendar year.

Show and Tell Needed

Show off your latest project.

Richard

Starting next year, the club will need a new treasurer as Mike Dierker will no longer be available to fill that position. We need someone to step up and take Mike's place.

Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates: 2017: Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec * * TBD Meeting Time: 7 pm Meeting Location: Mark Twain Hobby Shop

From eastbound I-70 take the Zumbehl exit north and turn right on West Clay. Go 1/4 mile. Mark Twain Hobbies will be on your right. The meeting room is entered via the leftmost outside door for Mark Twain Hobbies.



Meeting Minutes

August Meeting Minutes (9/13/2017)

The meeting was called to order on 9/13/2017 by our President, Richard Jenkins.

Vice President Doug Sanders made the roll call. At that point, there were 52 members signed up in our club. There were 13 members present at this month's meeting; there were no new members. We currently have two non-flying senior members. There were 18 openings available at the time of the meeting. 70 is the maximum number of members allowed. It has been our

club's tradition to lower the membership fee after the month of September. Following the tradition, new members can join for the reduced fee of \$35. This price will be good for the remainder of the year.

Our Treasurer, Mike Dierker, was present and he gave the treasurers report.

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given. Approved. And the secretary's report as published in the newsletter was approved.

<u>Safety report</u> – An incident was brought out about one of our members searching for a plane in the plane that was lost in the southwest corner of the field. Walking through the corn is physically demanding, and should not be done if you are physically impaired. There were members that were flying that possibly didn't realize that the member was impaired. As a safety issue, we are encouraging members to help other members with physical problems. Eventually, other members got into the search and the plane was recovered, but at our meeting, our members were very animated as they expressed their concerns about the way this should have been handled.

Field report – Bill sprayed 2/3 of the field and it looks good.

<u>Old business</u>. - Richard has started drafting the change to by laws to eliminate the board. The State of Mo. requires a board. The current officers will be the board. He changed the rules on officers expelling a member to officers recommend the expulsion. He changed other things, but he will put that out for comment. We will probably have to do a telephone poll. Then there will be a vote by email. The officers will call the members that don't respond. We have to have 50% of them members to vote on changing the constitution. The plan is to use 3 of the 4 existing officers.

Cub Scout fly in was still on at the time of the meeting. It will be from 10 to 12 on Sept. 16th. Parking will be next to the porta potty at an angle. Jerry Hollrah. How many people? - approximately 10 and 15 cars, twenty plus people. Doug Sanders and I have will bring a flight sims, Real Flight vs 4. Don Shelton will send out an email to query the pilots that are coming to get a count. We will order pizza for the kids instead of hotdogs. Open flying until 10, then we will stick to do Don's program that was mailed out.

New Business – None

Show and tell: - Frank Gruswitz brought in a wing from Hot Canary built in 1989. The Canary had a bottom and a top wing. He didn't finish the model because he started building something else, but he brought the wing in to demonstrate the silk span doping process, which is almost a forgotten art these days. Frank was a member of a club back in the day in which every 6 months, the members would pick a plane, everyone would build it to see what paint schemes would arise. He explained the process, which started out with 2 or three coats of nitrate dope to the balsa areas, not including the wing spares. Silk has a grain in which you had to find a selvage edge to make sure the grain was going the same way. He would then lay the silk on dry, and then take a wet sponge and go over it. It took about 5 coats of dope to finish it. He passed the wing around. The wing was nice, light and straight.

Richard brought in his SBD 5 to give us an update on his enhancements. He added a dummy engine, which was vacuum formed. He added the tail gunner. He mentioned again how he hid all the pushrods and added retracts. He flew it last weekend and collapsed one of the gear. Since then he has reinforced it with a quarter inch spring steal rod. The plane is very heavy. He said that it flies like a Mack truck. It has flaps and spoilers which have holes in it for drag. He said

he was going to take it to the Rend Lake Fly in. He has a bomb drop on the plane and a Nerf bomb that won't shatter when it hits. DLE 35RA engine. He answered a question about his modified tail wheel, separate rudder and tail wheel on the same channel but uses different servos. He has 9 channels, which he utilizes all. He talked about the ignition kill switch. He demonstrated the retracts.

Frank Eck demonstrated a different set up for his 'Corn Horn'. He been in the corn a couple of time, and this device emits a high pitched 85 decibel siren to help locate your plane. It utilizes a multipurpose switch which is hooked into a transmitter channel. He made it portable and can be easily removed and used in a different aircraft. It was loud!! He shouldn't have a problem locating the plane in the event of a 'Corn Landing'.

50/50 - Me Hawkeye, I donated it on the pizza for the scouts. Several members made a donation towards the scouts at the meeting for food and utensils.

Attendance Prizes - Don Bellinger, Bill McNemany

Motion to adjourn.

Show & Tell

Richard Jenkins SBD



