

Slope Area Golden Eagles
Thursday, January 10, 2008, 7:30 pm
Meeting Minutes

President Ryan Jilek called meeting to order with 9 members present: Jeff Klemm, Gene Hartman, Marve Runge, Justin Tormashy, Barry Braun, Carl Stroh, Todd Sadowsky, Ryan Jilek and Curt Buresh.

Minutes from Last Meeting

Ryan recapped last year's activities and went through the minutes from our last meeting.

Justin motioned to accept the minutes.

Jeff seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Financial Statement

Todd informed us that currently there is \$1957.82 in the checkbook. That is an increase of approximately \$440.00 more than last year at this time.

Justin motioned to accept the minutes.

Marv seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Annual Field Clean-up Day

We will need to do the general clean-up as in past years. Cut, trim and fertilize the field. We will need to paint the tables and it was brought up that we lost a couple of the spools due to rotting. Barry will check with Consolidated to see if they will donate a couple new barrels to us. It is too early in the year to set a date for the yearly clean-up.

Old Business:

New Field

The new field is available if we are still interested in it. We are on our last year of our lease with The Bureau of Land Management (BLM). It was discussed that we will be getting kicked off of our current field in the near future. If we pursue the new field, it may help us get a few more years out of BLM which we can use to prepare the new field. It will take a few years of work to get the new field ready. The more members that will help work on the new field the faster it will progress and the sooner we can move. It will take quite a bit of money to get the new field setup. We will be looking at fencing the area, moving and bringing in some top soil, seeding, building some roads and erecting some buildings. We should be able to get some financial help from BLM, AMA, the Dickinson Park Board and hopefully some donations from local businesses. If we don't take this opportunity, when we do get kicked off, we will have no place to fly and this land may already be given to some other cause.

Justin motioned to pursue the new field.

Barry seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

New Business:

Funfly for 2008

We discussed whether or not to have a funfly again this year. We had an excellent turn out with roughly 25 pilots and one coming in from as far out as Alexandria, MN. The weather was very cooperative even with the heat. There was some breathtaking night flying. We had plenty of prizes to go around. The third week in July is still our best bet with the other funfly's going on around the state. That would put it on the weekend of July 18th – 20th. This is also our biggest fundraiser by far and with the possibility of a new field, this money will be needed.

Gene motioned to have the funfly on the afore mentioned dates.

Justin seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Name for Funfly 2008

Since it was decided to keep the funfly this year, it is in our best interest to set the name and get it registered with AMA. The ribeye steaks have gone over very well in years past and will probably be expected again this year. In registering it with AMA this early we will get it published in their magazine. This may help boost our attendance.

Justin motioned to keep the name Ribeye Funfly

Jeff seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Carl motioned to pay the \$20.00 fee to register with AMA.

Justin seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Static Mall Show

As of this date, Justin has been unable to get any information on the dates or pricing for this year. It is believed that this show will be in May. Justin will keep working on getting some information.

Dues

The topic of raising dues was brought up again for this year. With trying to get a new field going the additional funds would be helpful. Bismarck's dues are \$50 and Minot's are much more than that. (Minot owns their land) The possibility of losing some members because of the raise in dues was brought up. It was felt that we may lose some members, but the higher dues will more than make up for the few that may leave. We will also need to have keys returned if we do lose some members.

Justin motioned to raise the dues to \$40.00 and send out a mailer.

Jeff seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

(A mailer will go out to all non-paid members to notify them of this increase and to return their field key if they decide not to renew their membership.)

New Position

Ryan came up with the idea of a possible new position in the club of Field Manager. If passed we would have to amend our by-laws. This position would be in charge of lining up help for the upkeep of the field. They would also be to go to person for all field issues and concerns. This person **will not** be responsible all field maintenance, but will be expected to help out as all members are.

Justin motioned to amend the by-laws and add this position on a trial one year term.

Jeff seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Election of Officers

Three positions are up for reelection this year and one new position is up for election.

Ryan – President

Rex – Security Officer

Harold – Member at Large

New Position – Field Manger

Ryan had talked to Rex and he agreed to continue as Security Officer if he was so nominated. Ryan left a message for Harold. Ryan was nominated for President. (He started the new field idea, he can finish it out.) Harold was nominated for Member at Large since he was not present. Barry was nominated for Field Manger

Justin motioned to cease nominations.

Barry seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Ryan Jilek will remain President for another 2 year term.

Rex Herring will remain Security Officer for another 2 year term.

Harold Voigt will remain Member at Large for another 2 year term.

Barry Braun will become our new Field Manger for a trial 1 year term.

Non-Profit Fees

We got the paperwork to maintain our status as a non-profit organization. The fee is \$10.00 if we pay before February 1, 2008.

Barry motioned to pay the fees of \$10.00

Justin seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Justin made a motion to adjourn.

Gene seconded the motion.

Motion passed.