

The February 7, 2017 meeting was called to order by President Bill Brzostowski at 7:30 PM. Bill took a moment to thank Jim Fox, our outgoing club secretary, for his more than 15 years of outstanding service to the club. Thanks, Jim, for a job well done!

Secretary's report: Minutes read, motion accepted, seconded, and voted to approve.

Treasurer's report: Submitted motion to accept, seconded, and voted to approve.

Executive Director: Ed Niccum will contact the DuPage Forest Preserve District about the damage Paul Boburka reported to the membership about the eastern half of the gates that lead to our flying field. Paul stressed that members must be careful that the east half of the gate does not accidentally close on them as they enter the field. (Also, don't forget to use your new gate key after 3-7-17!)

Committee reports:

- Chief instructor: Two members were at the field recently. The field is in good condition.
- Guest Speakers: None.
- Safety: Our new Safety Director is John Horwath. Let's welcome John to his new position by flying thoughtfully and safely EVERY TIME WE FLY.

Announcements:

- Next meeting is Tuesday, March 7th, at 7:30 PM. Everyone; bring your Up-To-Date AMA Membership card, your old gate key for our flying field, and your 2017 WAM Membership card to our KEY NIGHT! You must have both cards and key to get your new key. Lost keys = \$3.
- The Fox Valley Club's swap shop is Saturday, Feb 18th, at Kane County Fairgrounds, 9 to 1PM.
- Arnie Z reminded us about a Cavalcade Planning Meeting at Clow airport on 2-18-17, ~ 10AM.
- The Suburban RC Barnstormers hold their Swap-Til-Ya-Drop on Sat, April 15, 8 to 12, at the DuPage County Fairgrounds. (See our WAM web site for info on many upcoming RC events.)

Old Business:

- Vance and others brought up the topic of the possible future use of a geo-textile material for a runway option. Since we have no real data on the topic, Stan Warden volunteered to find some facts about other club's use of this type of semi-permanent fabric.

New Business:

- John Baderman produced and showed a video presentation before tonight's meeting.
- There were about 26 members and 4 officers at tonight's meeting.
- Received four \$40 memberships for: Dave Cummings, Ron Wurl, Jim Renkar & Stan Warden.
- Model Building, Maintenance, Hints & Tips: Ed Niccum demonstrated a tool for stripping wire insulation with no damage to the wire itself. At least two brands carry this type of tool.

Planes for Points:

- Ed Miller displayed his 81" Tower Hobbies J-3 Cub ARF costing about \$200, with a 4-stroke FSA-56. A beautiful yellow finish.

Motion to adjourn at 8:01: Seconded, Approved.

Minutes submitted by Stan Warden.