

Minutes of the NEKBSSI Monthly Meeting, October 16, 2022

The meeting was held at the beautiful NE Kansas Blue Sky Squadron Aerodrome and called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President, Mark Davidson. There were 13 members present and no guests.

Officer Reports:

President: Present. Agenda items to follow.

Secretary: Present. The minutes of the September 11, 2022 meeting were read and accepted with no changes.

Treasurer Present. Sam Brown gave the Treasurer's Report. As of September 10, 2022 a beginning checking account balance of \$4,675.20, receipts of \$2,054.09, expenditures of \$843.40, yielding an ending checking account balance of \$5,885.89 as of October 14, 2022. The Club also is holding Dee and Mee and Hobbies gift certificates totaling \$101.37.

Sam also read Thank You notes from the Jayhawk Model Masters President and Gary Rauckman's wife for the Club's Memorial Contributions.

VP: Present. Bill reiterated the need for articles and pictures for the Club's newsletter. It can be about anything a member would like to share with the membership.

Safety Officer: Present. Sam C gave a narrative of his dead battery incident at the Capitol City RC Club's October 2nd Fly-In. Several members shared some of their experiences as well. Once again, check that your electrical components are in good condition and that your battery is fully charged before you fly. In fact, you should check your battery every time before flying. Sam did not and the incident ensued. Also, do not taxi into the pit area unless your plane is turned off. Complacency can lead to serious consequences.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Some additional comments about the Club's recent Big Bird Fly-In. Registered pilots should eat lunch first to keep the show going. It was also mentioned that we should have two members at the Registration Table to handle some of the tasks. It would allow those members to have a break and be able to fly their planes as well. Mention made that there should be more commentary through the PA system during the show.

President Mark has made arrangements for the monthly Club meetings from November through April at the Kansas National Guard Museum. Mark also announced that nominations for Club President and Treasurer will be made at the November meeting with the election held at the December meeting.

Greg Inkmann thanked the Club members for attending the Foundation for Aeronautical Education's (FAE) October 8th Fly-In.

Vernon made mention of possibly adding a rubber mat section to the runway at the Blue Sky Aerodrome for smaller aircraft to take off and land on. Several possibilities included acquiring and installing conveyor belt material as other clubs have done. Capital City and the Shawnee Mission Clubs to name two. Sam C mentioned seeing a recent article in AMA's Model Aviation magazine he will try to locate and bring to the next meeting.

Mention made of possibly changing the type of grass on the runway, perhaps to Bermuda.

Bill Miller announced that the field restroom plumbing will be winterized and shut down for the season today.

The Club's next meeting will be November 20th, 2pm and the Kansas National Guard Museum, 2pm sharp.

Motion by Jim Morgan, second by Sam Brown to adjourn the meeting at 2:35pm passed unanimously.

Program/Show and Tell: Wayne Hittle and Bill Miller showed their Vacuform boxes and accessories for making canopies. Wayne bought a sample canopy which looked fantastic.

Respectfully submitted by Sam Carkhuff, Club Secretary