Minutes of the NEKBSSI Monthly Meeting, May 21, 2023

The meeting was held at the Kansas National Guard Museum and called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President, Vernon Nelson. There were 16 members present and no guests.

Officer Reports:

President: Present. Agenda items to follow.

Secretary: Present. The minutes of the April 16, 2023 meeting were read and accepted with no changes.

Treasurer: Present. Mark Davidson reported that as of April 15, 2023 a beginning checking account balance of \$6,489.03, receipts of \$115.00, expenditures of \$83.91, yielding an ending checking account balance as of May 15, 2023 of \$6,520.12.

VP: Present. Bill Miller asked Club members to please continue send him photos, articles and anything else a member may be working on for inclusion in the next newsletter issue.

Safety Officer: Present. Don mentioned a situation where an engine was run up in the pits at the CCRE fly-in not to be a good idea. Marvin Renyer received 18 stiches in his hand from a runaway propeller. Safety is paramount in our hobby at all times. Complacency will get you sooner or later. Don also reminded members to maintain the pattern when flying alone and especially with others.

Old Business:

Please Note: The Club's next meeting will be Sunday, June 11th, 2023 at the Kansas National Guard Museum at Forbes Field. Our Open Fly-In is Saturday, June 17th, 2023 with Registration beginning at 8am and Pilot Meeting at 9am with flying to commence immediately following.

As in years past, we will have a Fly-In prep day on Friday, June 16^{th} beginning at 7am and clean up (if needed) on Sunday, June 18^{th} at 8am.

Club members are encouraged to bring their larger airplanes to WIBW-TV at 7am on Wednesday, June 14^{th.} and to KTMJ at 8am on Thursday, June 15th for a 43 Live segment. KTMJ 43 is in the KSNT building on Highway 24 West. Both are video shoots to promote our Open Fly-In on Saturday, June 17th.

New Business: The field workday was a success with lots of tables and fencing materials replaced. Discussion of whether/how to paint the repaired sections. Motion by Bill Miller, second by Bud Park to investigate the use of an airless paint sprayer rather than the roller brush method as an option. Passed unanimously. Bill and Bud will report back at the next Club meeting.

President Nelson noted that the Club By-Laws call for an At-Large Board Member position remains unfilled. That person is a Club Officer and a Member of the Executive Committee. Motion by Bill Miller, second by Don Reiger nominating Sam Brown for the position. No other candidates were presented. Sam was elected unanimously.

Dan Reid asked what the criteria is for having spotters to accompany a pilot or pilots when 2 or more are in the air. Discussion that spotters for only two pilots may not be necessary as they can communicate with each other. If 3 or more pilots are in the air then all would be required to have spotters. In that scenario, the third pilot would have to recruit three spotters for themselves and the other two. There is nothing the AMA Safety Code that speaks to spotters for pilots. Discussion ensued. Motion by Dan Reid, second by Bill Miller to table the matter until the June meeting passed unanimously.

President Nelson mentioned that the parking lot will be sprayed again for weeds and grass as the first round was not doing the job.

Discussion led by Rob Leiker about disposing of the old wood removed as part of the field workday. Motion by Vernon Nelson, second by Bill Miller to contact Green Point about disposal at their site not to exceed \$100.00. passed unanimously.

Greg Inkmann asked about float flying at Lake Shawnee. More discussion to come at the June meeting.

Mention made that Junction City hobby shop on 6th Street there may be or has closed. Anyone interested should contact owner "Karen" for more information.

Bill Miller mentioned that he is contemplating doing a saga on his Cessna 310 that was lost and that he and Wayne Hittle may try to get Wayne's 310 airworthy and get it in the air soon. More to come on that.

Program/Show and Tell:

None. Members, please bring your Show and Tell items to the Club meetings. We are interested in what you are working on and hearing about your RC experiences whatever they may be. Same goes for newsletter items.

Respectfully submitted by Sam Carkhuff, Club Secretary