

The Transmitter

January 2017

Belleville RC Flyers, Meeting Minutes, January 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Fannin at 7:08 PM at Eckert's Restaurant in Belleville, IL. 17 members were present including 5 officers.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the minutes of the December 10, 2016, meeting as published in the December 2016 newsletter.

TREASURERS REPORT: by Tim Cipolla, Beginning and ending balances for the month of Dec 2016 were read. There are 23 paid members as of the end of December. Motion made, seconded and carried to pay the \$1,000 field rental fee for 2017. MSC to accept the treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FIELD: by Dave and Dan. The field is soggy, but otherwise in pretty good shape.

SAFETY: by Marcus Robinson. Jeff Paul's injured hand is healing well and he should be good to go by the time spring flying weather gets here.

TRAINING: by Dan Arens. No new members in training at this time.

WEB PAGE: by Bill Eischeid. No new report. It was noted that the site is still working.

OLD BUSINESS: There was more discussion on the subject of an agreement with Scott AFB/Mid America Airport. Dave contacted Laura at AMA HQ and she recommended that we not have a face to face meeting with airport authorities. She said we should send them a certified letter notifying them of our flying activity and wait for any response from them. Dave has a draft of such letter and will send it to them. Reminder that the BRCF 2017 Swap Meet will be at the Eagle's Lodge in Shiloh on March 4, 2017. Five brave and hearty members showed up for the Jan 1st Frosty Fingers event. Mary Arens made patches for participants.

NEW BUSINESS: Special events for 2017 were discussed, but no decisions were made.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

NEW MEMBERS: Jacob and Kyle Sullivan were voted into membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ATTENDANCE PRIZE: Burt Shore won the attendance prize of a bag of miscellaneous tools donated by Mike Ausdemore

NEXT MEETING: 7:00 PM, Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at Eckert's Restaurant, corner of Hwy 15 and Greenmount Road, Belleville, IL

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM

Darwin Evelsizer, Club Secretary

The Federal Aviation Administration has announced the release of their long pending interim rules for operation of model aircraft and drones. All operators of remotely piloted aircraft are required to register **ONE TIME**. You do **NOT** have to register each airplane. The Academy of Model Aeronautics has recommended that members register as required while they pursue legal action against this ruling. The latest information from AMA is available on their website at: <http://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2016/01/11/update-uas-registration-frequently-asked-questions/> . This includes the correct website to contact the FAA for registration.

Coming Events

March 4, 2017, BRCF Swap Meet, Eagle's Lodge, Shiloh, IL, 0730 set up, 0800 public in

May 20, 2017, Midwest Air Wing, Warbirds and Clasics at their field, Bruns Road, Pontoon Beach

June 24, 2017, Midwest Air Wing, All Electric Fly In at their field, Bruns Road, Pontoon Beach

July 15, 2017, Midwest Air Wing, Big Bird Fly In at their field, Bruns Road, Pontoon Beach

BRCF monthly club meeting, Tuesday, February 14, at Eckert's Restaurant.

Send 2017 dues, \$60, to Club Treasurer, Tim Cipolla, 408 Weatherstone Drive, Belleville, IL62221.

PAYMENT OF DUES IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO GENERATE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO COVER THE COST OF KEEPING THE FIELD IN FLYABLE CONDITION.

Our landlord, Paul Wagner, passed away in late December. Tim attempted to contact the family, but was not successful. He left a message asking them to contact him. We will have to wait and see how this affects our use of the flying field.

The club's annual Swap Meet will be held Saturday, March 4th at the Eagle's Lodge in Shiloh. Please plan to attend, bring stuff to sell, money to buy stuff and a hand or two help set up before and clean up afterwards. A few good "war stories" for the inevitable BS sessions is also helpful.