

Minutes from 2007 MTMA Section Meeting

Twinsburg Public Library
January 13, 2007

People Present

Jim Bartell, member
James Kral, member
Ben Levison, member
Bruce Levison, Secretary
Mark Recktenwald, President
Ted Schatzle III, member
Ted Schatzle IV, member
Steven Stein, member

Last years minutes were reviewed and approved

1. Membership
 - a. We have 12 families and about 18 members.
 - b. This is up from only 13 paid members since last Section meeting
 - c. We now have 104 members on the yahoo group compared to 99 last year.
2. Financial Status
 - a. Treasurer Jim Hartman gave us a update via phone
 - b. Our main expenses are Section Renewal, Web-space expenses, Insurance, Equipment up keep and the newsletter mailing.
 - c. We have a balance of \$177.46 from last years \$254.09
 - d. We spent about \$80 on one time expenses so we are officially in the black.
3. Ground Support Equipment Status
 - a. Multi-rod launcher in good shape
 - b. We have 3 high power pads 2 yellow and 1 blue. We would like to trade one of the yellow pads to the sky busters for a rail if possible.
4. Launch site status
 - a. Pichan's farm- our 1st field small only for low to mid power. Night launch will be held hear and maybe some additional launches in July.
 - b. Summit County Fairgrounds - Larger main field in Tallmadge we are approved for dates below.
5. New field locations
 - a. Warren Farr mentioned that he had found a possible field for a launch
 - b. My TARC team has found a horse pasture in Aurora OH that is letting us there. I might be able to ask the person in my group who contacted them how to reach the owners.

6. Launch schedule 2007
 - a. 2nd and 3rd weekend of the month
 - b. May: 5,6,19,20 June: 9,19,23,24 Aug: 11,12,25,26 Sep: 8,9,29,30,Oct:13,14,27,28,Nov: 10,11,23,24,25,Dec: 8,9,15,16 Summit County Fairgrounds
 - c. July 7,8.14,15 Night launch a Pichan's*
 - d. FAA Waiver from March 9:00AM to 5:00PM Dec 16. Waiver from between those two times change in height from 1800ft. to 2500ft.
 - e. The change will have to be talked over at a different time whether or not we will change our policies.

7. Outreach/Publicity
 - a. Oct 14th Cub Scout launch 31 scouts, pulse about 5 members launched about 100 estimated flights. 1 attempt to launch an 8 rocket drag race but one rocket had an igniter problem.
 - b. Suggestion of a second Newsletter got approval.

8. Section Activities
 - a. Last Year - 10 launches (including Cub Scout launch) 418+ Flights logged 1/2A to I
 - i. Mar 11 - 4 flyers, 26 Launches, A to G
 - ii. Apr 8 - 6 flyers, 14 Launches, A to G
 - iii. Jun 4 - 11 flyers, 20 Launches, A to H
 - iv. Jul 1 - 7 flyers, 34 Launches, A to G
 - v. Aug 13 - 26 flyers, 100+ Launches, 1/2A to I (our biggest launch yet!)
 - vi. Sept 24 - 5 flyers, 33 Launches, 1/2A to D
 - vii. Oct 15 - 11 flyers, 43 Launches, 1/2A to I
 - viii. Nov 24 - 9 flyers, 43 Launches, 1/2A to H
 - ix. Dec 10 - 5 flyers, 25 Launches, A to G
 - b. Planned for next year
 - i. Feb Build session/Ask an expert
 - ii. Greater Cleveland Council Cub scout day camp Theme "Space Camp"
 - iii. GLRMR It was voted that the MTMA will participate and support Regional Competition

9. Nominations and elections
 - a. Bruce Levison elected President with 8 votes
 - b. Mark Recktenwald elected VP/Advisor with 8 votes
 - c. Ben Levison elected Secretary with 8 votes
 - d. Jim Hartman elected Treasurer with 8 votes

10. Other Business
 - a. Michael's in Aurora has 40% off coupons from the Sunday paper and has a stock of rockets all year round.

* All Proposed dates have not been approved