

SWAP RC meeting 9/15/08



Greg Gee called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, at the SWAP field. He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, 11 members and 1 visitor were in attendance.

Minutes for the August meeting were read, voted on and approved.

Financial secretary was not present but a report was given on the TOC. We had \$876 profit, including a \$185 buy back of some of the food by Art to be used for his ball team. The regular treasury amount is unknown. This was a little disappointing as this is supposed to be our big fundraiser of the year. Some of the reasons are crowds were down due to the heat, food cost were up, too many raffle tickets printed and one of the big ones is that club member participation in the raffle was poor.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

TOC – there was no one hurt this year which was good. There was a lot of interest from spectators at the club about joining and getting started. Andy Kane also expressed a liking for the club and showed interest in joining which would benefit the club with his flying experience and knowledge.

Greg expressed his disappointment in the raffle participation and also with the amount of club members that helped out. Suggestions on how to motivate participation in future would be appreciated. A reduction in dues was suggested, giving awards, buying raffle tickets as part of dues, names on website/newsletter of the people that helped so all can see who is doing the work. Also brought up was to assign jobs and make them responsible for a replacement if necessary, require a certain amount of work along with dues. Simplifying food cooking, bring your own food and cook it with club providing grill, charcoal etc., ideas were discussed at length. October event will be a bring you own food and cook it, maybe sell sodas/water.

Vandalism at the field is getting progressively worse; the police don't really want to do anything even writing a report. Making Steve aware about what's going on at the rec council meeting is about all we can do.

It was discussed about Lipo batteries being a danger of catching the area on fire. A fire extinguisher being available to club members was discussed. Ed had a plane go into the ground and couldn't be found for a few days. When found the battery had burned up and a little luck was involved that it didn't spread. Extinguishers will not put a Lipo out, sand is about the only thing that will put a lipo battery out once it starts on fire. Again this was

discussed at length and was decided that everyone have a fire extinguisher or sand in case the area catches fire.

SHOW AND TELL

Nothing was brought to show.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM