



General Membership Meeting Minutes

Arizona Model Pilots Society

September 24th, 2022, 8:00 AM

The Arizona Model Pilots Society held its Monthly General Membership Meeting on Saturday September 24th, 2022 at the AMPS Field in Phoenix, Arizona.

The meeting was called to order by AMPS president Rich Girardo at 7:58 A.M.

The meeting was attended by the following officers/board members:

- President and Board member: Rich Girardo
- Vice-President and Board Member: Brenda Cirincione
- Board Members: David Zarra, Ken Kihlman, Jim Bull, Robert Norton

21 additional members attended.

Meeting Minutes from August were paraphrased by Jim Bull

Treasurers Report presented by Rich Girardo

Presidents Report

Renewals and Ballots are being sent out by The Academy of Model Aeronautics The AMA has increase their price to \$80 annually.

In a couple of weeks, AMPS will be sending out our membership application and renewal form via USPS mail. Please fill it out completely and return with your payment via USPS mail. The return address is on the form. We are working on making this process online.

The deadline for annual fees is January 31. A **no-fly list** of individuals will be posted on the bulletin board after January 31, 2023 as define by the AMPS bylaws.

All AMPS members must be a current AMA and AMPS member to use the AMPS flying facilities. We are in the process of auditing and validating our membership. Please make sure you are up to date. As a reminder, every model aircraft (drone) is required to have both the owner's AMA #, and FAA # visibly affixed to each model.

It is the responsibility of every member to keep the club informed about changes in email, physical address and to stay current on AMA and AMPS memberships. You can download the AMPS application and renewal form off of the AMPS website at any time.

The 2023 AMPS Application and Renewal Form now includes areas for youth membership information. AMPS youth members must have a current youth AMA number and complete a AMPS application and renewal form.

Thank you for your continued cooperation for visibly wearing your current AMA and AMPS ID. **This is for your safety and respect for your AMA and AMPS membership flight privileges** and will be part of AMPS long-term policy moving forward.

New Business

Road construction on 43rd Avenue and Pinnacle Peak has commenced. 43rd Ave north of Pinnacle Peak will be closed. Traffic flow appears to allow only right turns heading east on Pinnacle Peak into the Adobe Dam Park. Time of this completion is estimated at 3 plus weeks. Make any necessary adjustments and prepare for delays.

Six Flags has been approved by the County to hold their holiday World of Illumination 11/16/2022 – 1/1/2023 - 6pm to 10pm.

The combination code for the fire extinguishers, and first aid kit is available to all members in good standing. Every club member should know this. It is the same as **our** filed gate code – top line. Ask an officer for the combination if needed.

The club Safety Data Sheets (formerly called Material Safety Data Sheet) are detailed informational documents describing the physical and chemical properties of the products here on site. Please do not touch these documents inside where the fire extinguisher and first-aid kit is kept. They need to be accessible if a major flood occurs by designated individuals and the County.

Old Business

Adobe Dam Parks Manual Gate- Once cameras are installed – the manual gate will probably be left open. But this might depend when and if a park host is assigned.

AMPS members are to continue to access our flying field by unlocking/opening the manual gate and close/lock behind them before proceeding to our field. You would do this as you leave the park as well.

The One Eighth Air Force will be here on November 11, 2022, showcasing scale aircraft. Come join the One Eighth Air Force and AMPS Club Members for an all scale R/C Model Aviation show. Fly your scale aircraft and get to meet fellow enthusiasts. All AMA members are welcome to join in the fun and meet fellow scale RC pilots. Please check the AMPS website for further information or contact Dave Zarra.

November 19 is AMPS Open House Honoring Veterans Fly in Day. Come join AMPS members for an Open House honoring our veterans.

AMPS annual MacGyver fun fly AND Swap Meet is on October 15, 2022. Hope you are ready to go with your MacGyver plane!

A big thanks to Garry Kraemer and his impromptu team of instructors for the ROTC cadets. There were over 14 students wanting to get a model aircraft in the air.

An update on the AMPS possible relocation within Adobe Dam Park. The County approved the master plan for Global Sport Facilities at the end of August with the contingency of funding for completion. We have no further information on this.

As mentioned last month, AMPS will be entering into a build contract with GSF - if this all goes through. A copy of the agreement was requested at the end of August. GSF requested more time.

A few weeks ago, we sent off our preliminary design plan for the new field with measurements to the County and Global Sport Facilities. We've recently heard back that GSF design team is reviewing our plan and will be back in touch with us shortly.

Again, there has been no formal agreement to this point. We are moving cautiously and our only expenditure thus far, is our time.

The next Club Meeting will be held on October 29, 2022 at 8:30 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 AM.

Jim Bull
AMPS Secretary