



# ZOOM MEETING MINUTES, Feb 7, 2024

## CALL TO ORDER: 7:05

## ANY NEW MEMBERS OR GUESTS PRESENT....Joe Bessette

### APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES: Approved

## COMMUNICATIONS: CORRESPONDENCE, UPCOMING EVENT:

- Fantastic article in Feb AMA magazine about FLYRC...page 109.
- Upcoming events.... Bob Motta.... Lebanon, PA 3/10, Hillsboro, NJ 3/10, Hamburg, PA end of March.
- Principle of Flight.... Ron to provide any update, next presentation May 29 & 30, rain date of 31
- Our swap meet is scheduled for Saturday June 8, rain date Sunday June 9 at Pettibone Community Center in New Milford.
- CAPC, July 20

### MEMBERSHIP...Bob Motta

• Membership Report....1 new members, Joe Bessette. 58 currently paid.

### **SOUND AND SAFETY: Rich Margules**

• Safety Report ... Rich has requested that all members review the rules and regs on our website to start the new year.

#### FIELD MAINTENANCE:

- Overall, the field is in good shape. Be careful of the soft soil in the parking lot, particularly on the far side. Currently the parking area is solid.
- Bill has built a frame for the old roof mounted solar panels and Noel and Bill installed them on the hut wall. Should increase charging input by at least 50%. The large commercial panels to be installed on the roof in the spring should add additional 800 watts to the system.
- REMINDER>>>>All 3 Hut doors should be unlocked before starting the heater and locked when leaving.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Ken Blau has accomplished getting the IRS approval for FLYRC as a 501 C3 organization. He has also registered the club with the state as a charitable organization. Gary suggested he put together a guide for the procedure that must be followed yearly to maintain our 501 C3 status if he is unable to do so.
- Ken Blau presented the financial report, overall the Club is in solid financial condition
- Ron Faanes reviewed the Principle of Flight donations/expenses, we have adequate funds to continue the program
- Donated Planes......Bill raised \$475 selling donated planes and have another \$300 to \$400 to go. About 80% came from Victor and the remainder from Susan, the widow that Motta, Vargo & Bill helped last summer.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Bill has submitted an AMA Field Improvement Grant request for \$1200 for the new roof and hut improvements. Not sure any club has received 3 awards in 5 yrs., and 2 in consecutive yrs., but we'll see.
- A sub-committee of Ken, Jay, and Gary have volunteered to review and update the club Bylaws.

**SHOW AND TELL:** Will has recovered Gary's crashed EDF jet from the tree.

#### MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:10PM

Submitted by Roger Hornecker 2/9/2024