

Nampa Model Aviators December Meeting – January 13, 2012

- The January 2012 meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by club president Jack Read. There were 14 members present.

MOTION: A motion made seconded and unanimously approved to approve the December 2011 minutes.

President's Report:

- NMA President, Jack Read commented that he has been approached by several potential new members asking about the club and how they might apply. Jack said he is hopeful that we might gain a few new members this spring. One potential new member, Andy Scynda visited the meeting. Andy said he is most interested in WWII scale models.
- Jack thanked Dennis Kirouac for donating this months raffle prize, a 5 amp Battery Voltage Regulator and a large bottle of thin CA glue.
- Jack reminded everyone that the schedule for events this year is published on the NMA web site.

Treasurers' Report: Mike Jordan, NMA Treasurer, went over the current status of our accounts and indicated that all bills have been paid both the expense account and the CD account were in great shape. Mike then went over all the projected expenses for 2012. No changes in service providers are recommended at this time.

FAA sUAS Report: NMA Secretary, Ron Landram provided an update on the proposed small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS). This involves the proposal by the FAA to make rules regarding remotely piloted aircraft. The original purpose of these rules were to regulate the use of remotely piloted aircraft being used for commercial purposes in order to promote safety, the problem for modelers comes in because the FAA did not separate the commercial uses with the hobby uses we enjoy. Currently the proposed rules are to be released in early spring for public comment. There seems to be some confusion within the AMA as to the effect these rules will have on our hobby. There is agreement in the fact that AMA will be given the opportunity to make their own rules in order to ensure compliance with the FAA rules. The FAA did indicate that there should be little effect upon the hobby provided that AMA rules are followed. We will not know the full potential effects until the rules are released, possibly as early as February or March 2012.

Safety Officers Report: NMA Vice President and Safety Officer, Larry Bresson, reported that we have not had a safety related incident in recent memory. Larry did remind members to be sure and fill out an incident report if anyone experiences a crash outside the "flying boundaries" of the club field or an injury at the field. Incident report forms are provided at the field. Once filled out they are filed for future reference in the event that they are needed in the future.

New Business:

- The NMA swap meet is scheduled for February 11, 2012 (Saturday) at the Taft Elementary School (same location as last year) beginning at 12:30 P.M. for seller set up. There is no charge for buyers but a \$2.00 donation is expected from sellers. The proceeds will go to the school for letting us use their facilities.
- Wayne Warner was presented of the *Royal Order of the Buzz Buggy* for his successful first flight of the legendary Buzz Buggy pocket rocket airplane. This was the airplane designed and built by Larry Bresson, that Wayne won at the December Christmas and Holiday Party. Good job Wayne.
- Jack told every one that they are invited to the annual Cross Country flying event in Ontario Oregon to be held the 15th of September 2012, starting at 3:00 PM. A Bar-B-Q will be held following the flying events.
- Ron Landram won the monthly drawing, thanks Dennis for the great prizes.
- Mike Nipp brought in his repainted E Flight F-86 ARF. Mike completely stripped the original factory paint and re painted it using a Navy paint scheme. Beautiful model Mike.
- Jack brought in his F-18 Hornet ducted fan jet for show and tell. Apparently with a more powerful motor and 7blade fan (in place of the 5 blade fan it came with) the jet goes quite well.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ron Landram, Secretary, Nampa Model Aviators

Approved:

Jack Read, President, Nampa Model Aviators