

Nampa Model Aviators Meeting – March 8, 2012

- The March 2012 meeting was called to order at 7:20 P.M. by club president Jack Read. There were 30 members and one guest present.

MOTION: A motion made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the March 2012 minutes as provided by E-mail.

President's Report:

- NMA President, Jack Read introduced 2 new members Tom McCrackin and his son Rob to the members.
- Jack informed the members that after talking to Darin Johnson- Nampa Parks and Recreation Director (our contact for the City of Nampa) the monthly lease payment increase resulting from the new Nampa Stormwater fees has been rescinded as a result of the *Nampa City Council* deciding to fund the project through the General Tax Fund rather than a Fee Levy. Jack also indicated that our new lease which runs to 2024 remains in effect.
- Jack and Dennis Kirouac brought in three prototype models for our new summer activity, small WWI biplane racing. The model is available as a NMA design and laser cut build-it-yourself kit, or can be purchased as an ARF through *Tower Hobbies* or other hobby stores.
- We could still use a heavy duty brush cutter for weed control around the North side of the runway area. We would appreciate that if anyone knows someone who has one and might see if we might borrow it.
- Night flying will start in May, more information to follow.
- Marc Meyer volunteered to help with the selling of the club lawnmower. Thanks Marc.

Treasurers' Report: Treasurer Mike Jordan provided an up-to-date report covering our current account and expenditures.

New Business:

- A discussion was held covering the possibility of moving the annual dues year from March back to January of each year. Jack Read indicated that he thought that this would simplify the member tracking system and eliminate possible uninsured pilots from January 1 to March 1. Secretary Ron Landram explained that under the current system he has to maintain two rosters for the time period running January 1 through the March NMA meeting. One roster for those paid in the current year and new year with their AMA and a second roster for those paid only for the coming year prior without their new AMA to the March meeting. Membership cards are printed from the second roster for the new year. Jack said that if approved, the 2013 dues would be prorated giving members credit for the months of January through March. This requires a change to the bylaws.

Proposed Change to the Bylaws:

Motion: A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to submit to the membership a proposed amendment of the Nampa Model Aviators bylaws to read:

Article IV. Membership:

5. During the month of ~~January~~ **October** of each calendar year the Secretary shall provide each member with an appropriate statement (via email) of dues payable by the annual ~~March~~ **January** meeting, together with such appropriate form to be completed and returned, as a condition of membership, which will report his/her AMA license number and status, or any other pertinent information required for continued membership. Such statement and form may be included in the Corporation newsletter.

Article V. Dues:

1. The amount of dues or penalty for late payment shall be as recommended by the Board of Directors and affirmed by a majority of the members present and voting at any regular meeting.
2. The dues shall be paid by ~~March~~ **January** 1st of each year and are payable during the 30-day period proceeding thereto. Any new member, being received into the Corporation at a time other than on ~~March~~ **January** 1st, shall have his/her dues prorated for the remaining ~~quarters~~ months in that period. The period for dues shall run from ~~March~~ **January** 1st through the last day of ~~February~~ **December** of each year.

Article IX. Election of Officers

1. Election of Corporation officials shall be conducted annually in ~~May~~ **September** at a regular corporation meeting. **The term of service for all club officers and directors shall run from January 1 through the last day of December each year.**

Article XVI. Amendments:

1. These By-Laws may be amended or repealed at any annual or regular meeting of the General Membership/voting common stock shareholders by a majority vote of all General Members of the Corporation or by a 2/3 vote of the General Members present and voting at the meeting, whichever is lesser; providing that the proposed amendment or repeal has been either published at least once in the newsletter preceding the meeting for adoption or presented to the membership at a prior regular meeting.

These minutes shall serve as posting of notice for the above proposed amendment change, final vote for approval or disapproval by the membership shall take place at the April 2012 NMA meeting.

- There was a discussion as to the progress of securing bids for re-paving the runway. Jack Read has received one bid and should have several others shortly. These will be presented to the membership at or prior to the April 2012 meeting for final approval or disapproval by the membership.
- The monthly drawing was for a \$20.00 dollar gift certificate to Hobby Town USA. The raffle was won by Ron Landram.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ron Landram, Secretary, Nampa Model Aviators

Approved:

Jack Read, President, Nampa Model Aviators