



Sun Valley Fliers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – January 6, 2025

Club Officers Present:

- President Frank Moskowitz, Treasurer Oliver Heinen, and Vice-President John Geyer.

Board Members Present:

- Jim Sprecker, Charlie Beverson, Craig Guest, Dan Bott, and John Gerhardt.

Guests Present:

- IT Director Irv Singer and Membership Director Tony Quist.

Open: President Frank Moskowitz

1. The Zoom internet meeting was opened by President Frank at 6:04 PM. There was a quorum present.

Secretary's Report:

1. The Secretary is absent from the meeting; however, the December Board of Directors meeting minutes were approved as shown in the Zoom meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Oliver Heinen

1. The treasurer's submitted report shows the club operating funds are sufficient to cover the projected expenses for this year.
2. Our 50/50 raffles for last year broke even on the expenses/income, and will be continued.
3. Oliver presented several options for the Club to be able to take credit cards at the field for entry fees/sales. The best option was to purchase a Chase Bank point of sale terminal/reader for \$400. It does require a cell phone hot spot but is the most flexible option that keeps the SVF bank account restricted. The Board approved Oliver to acquire one terminal after he determines if there is/isn't also a monthly charge.
4. The treasurer's report was approved by acclamation.

Membership Director's Report: Tony Quist

1. Tony Quist reported that we have a total of 205 members paid up for 2025, 22 of which are junior members. 24 of the members in 2024 have not renewed.
2. The club membership goal for the end of 2024 was achieved.

Safety Officer's Report:

1. No report, however missing fire extinguishing equipment has been replaced and the President has sent all members a movie in an email message to identify fire equipment and locations for members to use.

Information Technology Report: Irv Singer

1. Irv has placed the Winter Warbirds flyer on the Club website.

Field Maintenance:

1. No report for this month.

Old Business:

1. Frank and Charlie are still installing electrical conduit on the ramada to complete the power outlet project on the last 4 poles. Lighting is sufficient without adding any more.
2. There will be additional road construction on Cave Creek Road but President Frank has been in contact with the contractors to insure access to the field is maintained.

New Business:

1. The SVF Charter with the AMA has been renewed, and the City of Phoenix and Maricopa County FCD are both named as insured on the Club insurance plan with the AMA's insurance policy.
2. The Winter Warbirds event on Jan 30th – Feb 1st has 41 pre-registered pilots to date. Three pink J-Johns with wash stations inside have been ordered. The trophies have all been sponsored, t-shirts have been ordered, and food has been arranged for. President Frank has rented a 500 gallon water buffalo to keep the new roadway from generating dust and we have permission from Maricopa county to fill it at one of their water stations without charge.
3. The remote observation project is complete.
4. There was an issue between two members regarding the noise created by a model airplane that was run for an extended period at a flight station, causing irritation to others flying off nearby flight stations. Both parties agreed that better communications and more courtesy could have avoided hard feelings, and with apologies made and accepted, the issue is resolved.
5. John Geyer discussed having been approached about a student research project represented by a team from Grand Canyon University which will receive necessary funding from Raytheon. The project involves a drone and a land vehicle operated in coordination with each other that also are cognitive of other flying models in their vicinity. Operations would take place at our field on weekdays only. Operators would need to hold valid AMA licenses/insurance as members and they would also have to be members of the SVF (but we would not require the initiation fee). The project is expected to take about 4 months, operating about twice a week at SVF, and John Geyer will be point of contact for the team.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Peck
SVF Secretary