



Sun Valley Fliers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2025

Club Officers Present:

- President Frank Moskowitz, Vice-President John Geyer, Treasurer Oliver Heinen, and Secretary Michael Peck

Board Members Present:

- Fred Wright, Jim Sprecker, Dan Bott, Tony Quist, Wayne Layne, and John Gerhardt.

Guests Present: Irv Singer

Open: President Frank Moskowitz

1. The Zoom internet meeting was opened by President Frank at 6:01 PM. There was a quorum present.

Secretary's Report: Michael Peck

1. The minutes of the July 2025 Board of Directors meeting were approved without change.
2. Mike discussed the proposed updated SVF By-Laws which all Officers and Board members had received with markups and a minor change allowing for skipped membership meetings with notice to club members, and the addition of allowing web-based Board of Directors meetings. There were questions from the Board regarding why we would include so much detail in the By-Laws regarding the 2015 disciplinary procedures and whether this change necessitated a formal vote by the membership. Mike and other Board members related that the 2025 disciplinary procedures had already been approved by the membership in 2015 as a change to the By-Laws and this update was only to remove conflicting old By-Laws language regarding the disciplinary procedures and insert the new ones into the document; hence, the term "updated" By-Laws is being used. The updated By-Laws were approved by the Board. A clean copy will be provided by Mike to Irv Singer for the website.

Treasurer's Report: Oliver Heinen

1. Oliver reported the end-of-month balance in the treasury and noted the Club's operating funds are sufficient to cover the projected expenses for this year.
2. Fred Wright and John Geyer have completed their independent annual review of the Club financial statements, and found the Treasurer's accounting to be accurate, complete, and exemplary. No suggested changes or recommendations were made.
3. The treasurer's report was approved by acclamation.

Membership Director's Report: Tony Quist

1. Tony Quist reported that we currently have 244 adult members, and 22 junior members for 2025.

Safety Officer's Report:

1. No safety report, Kenny was dealing with a flat tire at meeting time. There were no safety issues brought to any Board members this month.

Information Technology Report: Irv Singer

1. The July 2025 Board of Directors meeting minutes have been posted to the website, but there are no Club meeting minutes as there was no Club meeting for July. The weather section on the website now opens in a separate window

Field Maintenance: Brian Rhoads

1. No report for this month.

Old Business:

1. President Frank has not yet investigated the cost of extending the asphalt pit area to the East and West of the ramada by some 40 feet in either direction. This remains an open item.
2. The fencing on the West side of the ramada was previously approved for removal which will benefit tent placement during events, but the actual removal is waiting for cooler weather since we have no events planned for summer or early fall.
3. The new parking bumpers on the West side of the ramada have been installed.

New Business:

1. The Secretary is working on revising the SVF Standing Rules document and will distribute a marked up copy to the Board for review and suggestions prior to the next Board meeting.
2. John Gerhardt has applied for and received the AMA sanction for Winter Warbirds 14. The event dates will be Thursday January 29, Friday January 30, and Saturday January 31, 2026. John will see if he can get tent reservations and their payment included with online event registration. John noted there are some changes to the AMA's LMA and LTMA waiver forms. John Geyer will note that as he will be registration for the event.
3. Jim Sprecker recently attended the Beat the Heat event in Flagstaff and saw that they use 5-gallon buckets of sand with shovels for fire control. President Frank liked this idea so much that he purchased four 5-gallon buckets and four new shovels for the SVF. They will be placed at the North edge of the graded dirt area North of the runway, shovels to lay flat. That way, in event of a crash to the North, the recovery personnel can just pick up a shovel (and bucket) on the way to the crash site in case there is fire.
4. President Frank contacted Pro-Pave to get an estimate for roadway chipseal. Single layer like we have under the ramada would cost \$30,000; double layer to make it look like asphalt would cost \$50,000. The Board felt this was well beyond our present budget capabilities, and there are no plans for this in the near future.
5. President Frank contacted Shawn Tanner of the MCFCD to ask about blading the ground stabilized asphalt on the sides of the road back to the traffic lanes. Mr. Tanner stated that the GSA on the shoulders is too contaminated with dirt and it would increase the dust raised when driven over. Shawn did agree to continue providing water on the road which would ameliorate the dust problem.
6. Fred Wright has agreed to construct (with some labor assistance), a shade cover about 10'W X 6'D that will provide shade for the charging station and a bulletin board which will be mounted to the side of the container. This will wait until later in the Fall when it is cooler.
7. Spencer Kleinhaus requested the Board to consider funding a new project to provide solar panels on the roof of the ramada with an inverter sufficient to power 110-volt electric outlet receptacles at each workstation under the ramada. Spencer estimated the necessary component equipment to be about \$2000. The cost of installation is still a question, so President Frank will contact an electrical contractor to get an estimate and to determine if this would have to be permitted. Both items could be a deal

breaker, but the Board recognizes that power under the ramada would benefit many members, so there were some alternatives the Board members would like to be able to consider:

- a. We could increase battery capacity by acquiring more battery power, such as a Tesla battery system, which could support some under the ramada charging stations.
 - b. We could designate other reliable individual SVF members to operate the generator as long as they would agree to learn the safe startup and shutdown procedures and log usage times. Such members would have to personally responsible for shutdown if they started the generator.
8. Tony Quist asked if we knew when the construction on Cave Creek Road would finally be finished, as it is a pain to access the field from the northbound lanes, and could be a problem for upcoming events early in 2026. President Frank has been in contact with the contractor, and they are way behind schedule in the installation of a new 16" water main. The short answer is no, we do not know when the project will complete, and there is nothing we can do about it.
9. The next SVF club meeting will be scheduled at the field on Saturday, September 6, 8:00 AM start time.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Peck
SVF Secretary