



Sun Valley Fliers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2025

Club Officers Present:

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

Board Members Present:

- Charlie Beverson, Kenny Rhoads, Fred Wright, Jim Sprecker, Dan Bott, Tony Quist, and Wayne Layne.

Guests Present: Irv Singer

Open: President Frank Moskowitz

1. The Zoom internet meeting was opened by President Frank at 6:05 PM. There was a quorum present.

Secretary's Report: Michael Peck

1. The minutes of the August 2025 Board of Directors meeting were approved without change.
2. Mike is still working on the update of the SVF Standing Rules.

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. The treasurer's report was approved by acclamation.

Membership Director's Report: Tony Quist

1. Tony Quist reported that we currently have 250 adult members, and 22 junior members for 2025.
2. The renewal notices for 2026 membership will go out in October, to be renewed on the website.
3. Tony motioned that when any NEW members paid to join the Club during the months of September, October, November, or December, their next years' membership would be considered paid in full. Seconded by John Geyer and approved unanimously.

Safety Officer's Report: Kenny Rhoads

1. There were two electric models that crashed during the past month and the new orange buckets and shovels were used to extinguish at least one fire. Thank you, Jim Sprecker, for bringing that idea back to the SVF.

Information Technology Report: Irv Singer

1. The September Club meeting minutes are posted to the website.
2. The flyer for Winter Warbirds 14 is also posted to the website.
3. The Model Airplane News article on last year's Warbirds and Classics event is also posted.

Field Maintenance:

1. Kenny Rhoads reported for Brian that the West side fence will be moved to the East side in a couple of weeks as temperatures cool down. We have plenty of time as there are no immediate events scheduled.

Old Business:

1. President Frank reported that John Gerhardt has obtained the AMA Sanction for Winter Warbirds 14, dates are Jan 29-31, 2025.

New Business:

1. President Frank reiterated that the Club dues renewal notices for 2026 would be going out in October.
2. The shade screen for the battery charging station is now completed with no complaints as to location. Thank you, Fred.
3. We had an issue with the generator failing to start, and Club member Chris Cores took the initiative to diagnose the problem and correct it. Chris replaced a bad fuse, and performed a complete service including a new battery, oil replacement with oil & air filter replacement. Thank you very much, Chris! Chris would not accept any compensation except for four club tee shirts, which the Board gratefully approved. Members starting the generator are reminded they must use the logbook noting start, run, and stop times by date.
4. Spencer Key and some of the other helicopter flyers installed a shade screen on the helicopter ramada frame using spikes and cables for tie down of the framework. They also did not want any compensation except two tee shirts. Well done, Gentlemen, and thank you!
5. President Frank has contacted three different contractors about the solar project to provide photovoltaic power to the ramada work stations. No one has provided an estimate of the cost of the project with labor, and if this continues, President Frank will undertake the project himself.
6. Greg Stone is running for the AMA District X Vice-President position and asked if the Club would send his message to all our members in support of his candidacy. A majority of Board members responded to Frank in approval of Gregg's request. Frank will send out the all-member e-mail.
7. Brian O'Meara is changing the name of the 2026 event to the "Arizona Scale Aviation Airshow" to be held March 18-21, 2026. Model Airplane News will cover the event with an 8-page article as they have done for the last 2 years. John Geyer and Mike Peck will handle the registration booth for the event, and John will also handle RV and car parking. Wayne Layne is designated the Field Marshal and Flightline Boss and will be soliciting volunteers to help. John, Jim Sprecker, and Wayne will coordinate the layout and helper requirements.
8. Arthur Gambino and Jim Sprecker requested Board approval of a swap meet event at the field in conjunction with the November Club meeting. Individuals wanting to sell/trade items would pay \$10 for table space or \$15 including breakfast that is available at the field. It was noted that the proposed date was the same as the Arizona Model Aviators annual auction event that many SVF members attend. The Board approved the concept; however, the date is TBD.
9. Vice-President John Geyer would like to see more show and tell activity at our club meetings. John Believes show & tell should be scheduled earlier in the meeting before the 50/50 raffle or monthly prize drawings to hold members' attention. John offered to discuss his latest Tiger Moth building project at the next meeting, but also would like other members to come forward with presentations on other interests like 3D models, foamies, turbines, etc. The Board approved the concept.
10. The contractor work on Cave Creek Road continues to be behind schedule.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Peck
SVF Secretary