

Mansfield Aviation Club Minutes

December 1, 2007

The December 2007 regular monthly meeting of the Mansfield Aviation Club was called to order by President Mike Broderick on December 1 2007 at 9:05AM. Additional Officers present were Vice President Curt Hall and Treasurer Dennis Atkeson. Secretary David Wales was absent due to illness. In the absence of the MAC Secretary, Mike Broderick recorded the business meeting minutes. Coffee, tea and doughnuts were available during the meeting.

Additional Members and guests in attendance were as follows:

Tom Root	Jim Gorman	Mark Reisdorf
Gene Brim	Bob Staight	Sue Staight
Tom McFadden	Ruth Atkeson	Dave Eckstein
Frank Ujvari		

Dennis Atkeson read the Secretary's Minutes for November. Minutes are on the MAC WEB site. (See www.mfd-aero.org/). Motion to accept minutes was made by Curt Hall, seconded by Jim Gorman. Motion was accepted.

The Treasurer's Report for November was read. Receipts: November deposits were \$1124.00 for 2008 dues and Christmas Dinner. Disbursements: November checks written totaled \$292.50, for doughnuts, deposit for 08 Christmas party, refund for bus rental and US postmaster postage. The November 30th check book balance was reported as \$8,156.15. Curt Hall moved to accept and Bob Staight seconded that the treasurer's report be approved as read. Treasurer's report was approved by all in attendance. The treasurer added that there are 45 MAC Christmas Party reservations received as of 11/30.2007.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Annual Christmas party is December 7, 2007 to be held at Sons of Herman. The guest speaker is Scott Schaut, Curator of the Soldiers & Sailors Museum in Mansfield. The party will start at 6:30 PM with a cash bar. The buffet dinner begins at 7:00 PM with a short business meeting at 8:00, followed by the guest speaker. Jim Gorman suggested members present take the list of members and break out the list and then call those members who have not yet paid to see if they can attend the Christmas Party. Several members volunteered to call most of the membership on the listing by Sunday 12/2/2007. Those members called are to contact Dennis Atkeson at 419-774-7575 no later than Sunday 12/2/2007.

Dennis Atkeson stated that based on approval at the November meeting, he sent a \$150 deposit to the Brown Derby Roadhouse to reserve a banquet room on December 5, 2008. He also stated that the Ultimate Buffet offered by the Roadhouse was chosen at a cost of \$16 plus gratuity and tax.

New membership was discussed. Frank Ujvari will offer newly minted student pilots and pilots with new ratings first-year free membership in MAC. Membership applications were given to Frank to process any new students and newly rated pilots who wish to join MAC.

Garden of Heroes restricted funds in the treasury was discussed. Jim Gorman will press General George Arnold for a decision on the disposition of the restricted funds.

Christmas party needs a PA system for the Sons of Herman Christmas Party. Dennis Atkeson will check with Jerry Calhoun to see if he can supply a PA system for the party.

Tom Root stated that he was unable to attend the Car Coddlers meeting in November so he does not have an answer for us concerning the possibility of the Car Coddlers participating at the annual MAC Pancake Breakfast in 2008. Tom will attempt to contact the Car Coddlers officers in December so there is a report at the January meeting.

Bob Staight offered that he is still planning to hold the Young Eagles Flights at Mansfield the first Saturday in May 2008 and at Galion the first Saturday in September 2008.

The 2008 slate of MAC officers was presented to the members present. This slate will be offered at the Annual MAC business meeting to be held at the Christmas Party 12/7/2007.

Jim Gorman reported that Chuck Lootens has completed installing new wheel dollies on all the pancake grill racks. Jim was asked what the MAC club owed for the dollies and installation. Jim said he will check with Chuck to see if he wants to be paid for his time and materials.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Christmas 2008 MAC Christmas party was discussed. This party will be held at the Brown Derby Roadhouse on Friday December 5 2008. The buffet menu was discussed covering the many selections available with the "Ultimate Buffet" offered by the Roadhouse. Time will be 6:30PM to 9:30PM. See old business for discussion of a cash deposit to reserve a banquet room at the Roadhouse. Tentative cost per person will be \$20.

During the discussion of the Garden of Heroes Memorial Fund under old business, Jim Gorman suggested that he will contact General George Arnold (Ret) to see if the Garden of Heroes Statute is to be constructed. If the status of the statute is uncertain, he is to offer that some of the memorial funds be used to contribute to the Soldiers and Sailors Museum. Mike Broderick offered that the museum is planning an expansion of the museum displays which will center on aviation. Jim will report back at the January 2008 meeting concerning his discussion with George Arnold and the disposition of the restricted memorial funds.

The 2008 MAC Valentine's Party in February 2008 was mentioned but no action was taken. The incoming 2008 officers will plan the 2008 Valentine's Day party.

Dave Eckstein suggested that any mention concerning the monthly Saturday MAC meetings not be referred to as "board" meeting as this may discourage some members from attending the meetings. The suggestion was well noted and there will be a special mention in future newsletters and correspondence that the monthly MAC meetings are open to all members and guests. The word "board meeting" will not be used.

Discussion was made concerning the 2008 Pancake Breakfast. Tom Root will check with Car Coddlers for their participation. Jim Gorman suggested MAC contact the people involved in planning the Mansfield 200th Anniversary which is to be held in 2008 to see if there is a possibility of MAC participating with a pancake breakfast during the celebration time. Mike Broderick offered to talk with Scott Schaut as Scott seems to be involved and knows who is on the City planning committee. A discussion along these lines also was held to see if the Young Eagles flights could be held along with the pancake breakfast and the 200th Anniversary Celebration instead on the annual May Young Eagle Flights. Bob Staight suggested that the Young Eagles flights, with preparation, could be held at any time.

Pam Fonseca is at home recuperating from a fall from a horse. Also, Dave Wales is at home awaiting surgery. Ruth Atkeson volunteered to purchase cards to send to Pam and Dave and also to Clyde Fox who is in a rest home at 1159 Wyandotte Ave, Mansfield OH. These cards will be available at the Christmas Party 12/7 to receive signatures from all members present at the Christmas Party. Dennis Atkeson read a letter from Nancy Fox concerning Clyde's condition and their desire to remain a member. Bob Staight suggested that MAC make Clyde an honorary member with no dues. The membership voted to make Clyde an honorary member with no dues necessary. Dennis Atkeson will write to Nancy Fox to inform her of the honorary appointment and that no dues will be necessary.

Mark Reisdorf requested that his Lexington Club borrow the pancake mix "dropper" for their December pancake breakfast. He will make sure the dropper is properly cleaned and packaged before returning it to the club house. All members present approved the loan of the utensil to Mark.

Tom McFadden paid \$40 with his check for two on-call dinner reservations. Mike Broderick paid \$40 cash for two on-call dinner reservations. Dave Eckstein paid \$52 cash for 08 dues and two on-call dinner reservations. Gene Brim paid \$35 for 08 dues and one dinner reservation with his check. Curt Hall paid 08 dues and two dinner reservations with his check.

AIRPORT OPERATIONS:

Mansfield Lahm Operations Manager, Mark Daugherty was not present so there was no November airport operations report given.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to conduct, President Mike called for adjournment. Jim Gorman moved to adjourn and Curt Hall seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30AM. All remaining doughnuts were taken to the KMFD Tower .

Next meeting will be January 5 2008.

After the meeting, Dennis & Ruth Atkeson and Mark Reisdorf proceeded to the MAC Club house to retrieve the pancake mix dropper. Also, all the soda pop and water located in the club house was removed to Dennis and Ruth's home garage to store and preserve from freezing until needed at the next MAC outing.