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Meeting Minutes

April 26th, 2017- Monthly Meeting

Called to order @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: 41 club members were present

Minutes: Doug Flood requested a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting which were sent to everyone on 03/21/2017. A motion was made by Randy McNeal and Seconded by Steve VanAnthwarp.

Treasurer Report: Heather Holbrook – was not at the meeting so I gave the ending balance from each account. A motion to accept the balances was made by Dwayne Curry and Seconded by Randy McNeal.

Old Business:

50/50- This month's winner was Steve VanAnthwarp winning \$45.00.

Bill Myers- Bill Myers came to the meeting to thank the club for the birthday card and club product package we gave him for his 85th birthday. Bill said that he was one of the people who started the club on the 1st year of the Frog Leg Festival (25 years ago). He said that they would take people for rides for \$5.00 in order to get a charter for the club. He said that he is very glad to see it still going so strong.

Scholarship Program- So far we have received 4 Scholarships and due to the problems with the PO Box we decided to extend the scholarships for one more month. So if you know of anyone who needs to turn one in or had one returned to them, please make sure that they get it in by the next meeting May 24th, 2017.

Golf Tournament- Just a reminder the tournament is on Saturday April 29th, 2017 at the Sebastian Municipal Golf Course. It is going to be a great time.

The after party this year is going to be at the Tiki Bar this year. All Volunteers please be at the Golf Course at 6:00am in order to get everything ready. Breakfast will be provided to all volunteers.

Events Attended since last meeting

- ✚ **Airboat Rodeo** -- Everyone had a good time at the rodeo. We had a record number of boats in attendance. We raised 538.00 for the Airboaters for Autism event. Chris Jacobi won Obstacle Course - Robert Anderson won Barrel Racing and Donnie Flood won Frog Giggling. Cody Taggart who signed up that day as a new member won the Poker Hand and the 50/50.
- ✚ **FAA Quarterly Meeting**- Unfortunately there was no one from the club at the meeting but Paul did say that coming down the road pretty quick from South of 46 everyone will be required to have an orange flag on their vessel.
- ✚ **Airboaters for Autism Ride**- Dwayne said that it was a great time. There were about 8 boats from the club who attended and the people who put on the event were very thrilled and grateful that our club would donate that much money \$538.00 to the cause.
- ✚ **Marsh & Road cleanup**- Everyone had a good time at the clean-up & BBQ. We had close to 50 volunteers and lots of great food. We collected about 80 bags of trash, tires, swimming pools, car parts, etc. Thanks to everyone who showed up to help.
- ✚ **Sandlakes Hog Hunt**- Bill Arant was the huntmaster and he said that it was a great time as always. They had 5 kids and 3 harvested their 1st hogs. There were 5 hogs total harvested that weekend. Thank you to all the volunteers who made it happen.

New Business

- **New Members**- We had 2 new club members this month, Johnny McKenzie Jr and Dean Curry. Welcome and thank you for your support!
- **Bill Myers 80th B-Day Party**- Bill is one of the original founders of our Airboat club and until recently attended our meetings. He has always been big in the Airboating community. He is having a party on Sunday April 2nd from 3-5pm @ 126 S Pine St. Fellsmere, FL if anyone wants to stop by. Also the club passed around a birthday card to give him and we are putting together a club package to give to him with a hat, t-shirt, umbrella, etc.
- **Fellsmere Easter Event** – In between meetings last month the Fellsmere Beautification committee contacted us about candy donation for the kids Easter baskets. The board made a unanimous decision to buy candy to donate. Doug sent \$50.00 on the Candy so we needed a motion to get the purchase approved by the club. John Laviska made the motion and it was seconded by Donnie Dowling. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed.

- **Unity Weekend-** Unity weekend is July 21-23rd and It's time to purchase your seats for the dinner if you plan on going. A motion was made by Paul Shutes for the club to purchase 2 tables for the event @ \$400.00 and it was seconded by Kenneth Hamilton. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed. The seats are \$25.00 per person please get your money to me as soon as possible if you plan on going. If you are paying by check please make it out to IRCAA for \$25.00.
- **Airboat Rodeo-** We would like to have the next Airboat Rodeo on June 24th, 2017 @ Summer Camp. A show of hands were in favor of that date do we will have our next rodeo on the 24th of June. Also we would like to add another event to the line-up so if you can think of an event please get with us before the next rodeo.
- **Club Catfishing Tournament-** We will be having a fun club catfishing tournament in the North Marsh at Bass Camp on Saturday May 13th, 2017. A motion was made by Sam Smith to spend up to \$200.00 on supplies for the tournament and \$200.00 for prizes. It was seconded by Buck Morrison. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed. Everyone agreed to NO entrance fees, \$100.00 for Biggest Fish and \$100.00 for most fish and that only club members could win. See everyone there!
- **Event in Fellsmere-** Airboat & Buggy show? We need everyone's thoughts on doing an event in Fellsmere. The city manager approached us and asked if we were planning on doing an event in Fellsmere soon. Everyone made a suggestion to incorporate it into Fellsmere Day in April 2018 so Doug or Chad will we check with Jason for his thoughts.
- **Upcoming Events**
 - ✚ **Golf Tournament-** Saturday April 29th, 2017
 - ✚ **Catfishing Tournament-** May 13th, 2017 – in North Marsh @ Bass Camp
 - ✚ **SRPM Meeting-** Thursday June 15th, in Palm Bay April 1st
 - ✚ **Airboat Rodeo-** Saturday June 24th, 2017 @ Summer Camp
 - ✚ **Lake George-** July 7th-8th-9th, 2017
- **Open Discussion**
 - **Doug** – It was Michelle's Birthday so we all sang happy birthday to her and he brought a cake for everyone to enjoy.
 - **Paul Shutes-** During elections Paul was elected as historian so he had an historian report that he read to everyone. "Sewing Machines, bicycles and fashion" I know you are probably wondering what this has to do with Airboating, well here it goes.
 - I. 1860-1887- Demorest Manufacturing founded in New York was known for Sewing Machines and Paper Patterns for dress making fashion.
 - II. 1883- Demorest started struggling so it sold to the Gerrit & Frank Scofield advertising agents who opened a factory in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.
 - III. 1891 -They sold to "New York Bicycle" who produced sewing machines, bicycles, typewriters and opera chairs until the early 1900's.
 - IV. 1907- It was no longer profitable and sold to Lycoming Foundry and Machine Company shifting its focus toward automobile engines. By 1920 Lycoming was producing 60,000 engines a year.

- V. 1929- Lycoming produced its 1st aviation engine, the 9 cylinder R-680 and continued supplying automotive manufactures with engines.
- VI. 1937- Lycoming switched to exclusively designing and producing engines for aviation.
- VII. Early 1980's general aviation market quickly diminished and Lycoming's piston engine business was significantly impacted so it developed a partnership between Curtiss-Wright and John Deere who intern later sold to Rotary Power International.
- VIII. Finally in 1985 Textron purchased the company and merged with Garrett Engine Division of Allied Turbine Engine Division a part of AlliedSignal Aerospace, later becoming part of Honeywell Aerospace in 1999 so there you have it. Hope everyone enjoyed their history lesson.

➤ **Club Meeting Pot:**

We started the pot with \$196.00 plus collected \$34.00 at the meeting so the total pot is \$230.00. The winner was Harry & Wanda Szeman, however because they were NOT present the pot will roll over till next month. Please remember every members name goes in the POT and you must have attended 2 consecutive meetings and paid your \$1.00 at each meeting in order to win.

➤ **Next club meeting:**

Next club meeting is on Wednesday April 26th, 2017 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm at Marsh Landing. We hope to see everyone there!

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00pm