

## **March 2008 HCAM Meeting Minutes**

### **Director's Meeting Sunday March 9, 2008**

**Ballot Approved** - The directors had the most unusual problem of having more people willing to serve on the board than there were available openings. After considerable discussion, the board came up with an approved ballot to be voted on by the general membership. Write-in spaces were provided for additional candidates.

**Club Meeting Location** – Twenty-three people responded to the informal survey concerning locations for the club meetings. It was a close vote between meeting at the Fire Hall and our flying field, but the Manchaca Fire Hall got the most votes. As a result the directors decided to continue meeting there. It was noted that there doesn't appear to be any other reasonable options to accommodate a group of our size at no charge in South Austin. Other places had special billing requirements or minimum guarantees.

**New Helicopter Flying Area** – Jeff Tichencor presented a rough plan for developing the new helicopter flying area. After some discussing on how to do it, the directors approved funding for the project up to \$500. Jeff will be responsible for forming a work team to develop the area. Volunteers are needed.

### **Club Meeting Monday March 10, 2008**

President Brain McMurray opened the meeting promptly at 7:00 PM with 33 members present.

**Guests** – The new owner of Hobby Express in Cedar Park attended the meeting and invited members to visit his store.

**Treasurer's Report** – The club remains financial sound.

**Members** – 92 paid members

**Safety Report** – Rick Frysinger Safety Officer

Rick said he had observed the following unsafe practices at the field during the last month and asked members to do be especially observant of the following:

- If you see someone not using the dead weights when starting their plane on the ground, ask them if you can help hold the plane.
- If you are breaking-in an engine, please take it to the stands on the other side of the taxi-way rather than breaking it in in the pits.

**New Solo Pilots** – Congratulations to Art Lung and James Houck and their instructor on completion on their training and a successful solo.

**Review of the Director's Meeting** – See above

**Additional Comments** –

Our frequency board is in need of repair. It needs to be rebuilt and updated with more spectrum frequency pins. Please contact one of the club officers or directors if you are willing to do it.

Please lock the gate if you are the last one out. It was left open again.

A new REALFLIGHT 3.5 Simulator with add-ons Three and Four and a new deluxe flight box was donated to the club by Walt Connally. Many thanks to him for his generosity. Contact Brain McMurray if you want to check them out.

**Election of 2008 Directors and Officers –**

The ballot submitted by the current Board was unanimously elected. They are:

President - Brain McMurray

Vice President – Larry Smallridge

Secretary – John White

Treasurer – Jim Burdette

Directors – David McBride, Dewaine Rice, Matt Cleveland, Bobby Yount , Jeff Tichenor,  
and Russ Horton.

\*Note – Bill Moll and Rick Fysinger serve on the Board as President Emeritus.

**Appointments by the President –**

Safety Officer – Rick Frysinger

Field Marshall – Ron Simmons

Web Master – Ed Gobbel

Chief Instructor – All instructors will be under the guidance of the Safety Officer until a  
Chief Instructor is appointed.

**Winner of the drawing for \$100 Gift Certificate:** Allen Yendle

**Next Club Meeting** – Second Monday of the month - April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Manchaca Fire Hall.