

Southern Eagle Squadron

Southern Eagles Squadron Meeting Minutes February 18, 2016 Leesburg Community Center

The meeting was called to order by President Norm Paddock at 7:00 PM.

A quorum was met with 26 members present including new members Jerry Conrad, Lew Radonovich, John Tuchulski, & Don Brown.

- Minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.
- The Treasurers report given by Treasurer Jerry Rudnitsky was approved.
- Membership - Ralph Savino reported SES has 169 paid members YTD 2016. Ralph mentioned that members can pick up their name badge 3 to 4 weeks after joining. New Badges are on the bulletin board at the field.
- Field Safety - No major problems were reported.
- Mowing - Carl Angleberger explained the mowing process to new members and reported there is an opening on one mowing team. Please see or call Carl (352-751-2995) to volunteer.
- Field Maintenance - Due to many members showing up to fly on nice flying days and for special events, additional parking is needed. The area to the East by the blue shed is usually wet and vehicles can leave ruts when parking there now. It was proposed to add some gravel or crushed blacktop to that area to build it up and make it more usable for parking. Carl Angleberger will look into it.
- Flight Instruction - Jim Soltysiak (352-408-1040) and Carl Dilks (352 259-5243) are available for flight instruction including buddy box. Call one of them to schedule their help.
- The new events chairman is Bob Durst.
- A Swap Meet will be held November 12th at Recreation Plantation. This event will be co-hosted by the Villages E-fliers and possibly the Pear Park flyers.
- The new FCC licensing requirement was discussed by Norm. He stated that SES will not be policing members aircraft to see if they have their FAA number affixed as legally required by the FAA. This requirement is the responsibility of each member. Norm did strongly encourage each SES member to affix their FAA license number, name, phone number, address and AMA number to each of their outdoor aircraft over .5 pounds. To make sure SES members who do not have Email are up to date on the FAA licensing requirements for model aircraft, Norm sent out a letter with the information to them.
- New Business:
 - A Fun Fly will be held on April 2nd starting about 8 AM. Free food and refreshments will be available.
 - A motion was approved to give outgoing president Mickey Murphy a \$100 gift card.

- Jonnie Knowels won the micro drone door prize that was given away. The 50/50 drawing was won by Jerry Conrad.
- The next SES meeting will be held March 17, 2016

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Roethler, Secretary