

**2009 Nats PAMPA meeting minutes,** taken by Allen Brickhaus, edited by Dave Gardner

**PAMPA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

The Executive Council of PAMPA opened their meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday night July 7.

President Bill Rich opened the meeting with the roll call of the Council members.

Vice President:	Brett Buck	present
Secretary/Treasurer:	Dave Gardner	present
Membership Chairman:	Russ Gifford	not present
District I:	Dave Cook	not present
District II:	Windy Urtnowski	present
District III:	Patrick Rowan	not present
District IV:	Steve Fitton	present
District V:	Dale Barry	present
District VI:	Allen Brickhaus	present
District VII:	Crist Rigotti	present
District VIII:	Joe Bowman	present, representing Don Hutchinson
District IX:	Carl Shoup	not present
District X:	Dave Fitzgerald	present
District XI:	Bruce Hunt	present

Dave Gardner opened the meeting discussing the possibility of providing an online sign- up for PAMPA to include the ability to pay online with PayPal, credit card or other similar forms of payment. Possible outsourcing individuals might be Jim Snelson, Bob Kruger, and Elliot Scott. Other persons will be also explored. Dave would provide a "needs" list to those who are interested in formalizing this system and will keep in contact with those who would like to assist us in this manner. We need to be made aware of security and intrusions by hackers.

Dave also gave us a financial report on Stunt News and PAMPA. He is encouraged by the fact that at this time last year we were projected to finish at a minus \$9,000, while this year, we are projected to finish at a positive \$10,000. The incentives to sign up at the beginning of the year worked as we only had under 50 members sign up late. The knowledge that we would not be sending out back copies kept membership on their toes. The back copy mailing costs alone in 2007 were above \$2,100, while in 2008 the mailing costs were under \$600. The back mailings took a big chunk out of our treasury in 2007 and earlier. We are also only printing about 50 extra copies per issue.

The only service we have that is costing us more than we have in the budget is the sending of CD's to members. PAMPA is presently seeking bids to print Stunt News for 2010. Several sources to ask for bids have been accumulated, and more will be added as those publishers come to light. Our goal is to improve the quality of the magazine and cut our costs. We also have to be aware that the Post Office will be raising costs each May without approval of Congress and those factors weigh into our decisions.

Proposed changes in the Bylaws, as voted on by the Executive Council, are noted below,. These changes will be voted on by the membership in the 2010 ballot for new officers. The addition of the new competition class, Nostalgia 30, will also be on the ballot. This ballot is to be mailed to the membership not later than August 31, 2009, with ballots due not later than September 30, 2009

**Note that changes are indicated by 'italicized strikeouts' for removed text/language and 'italicized underlined' text is used for added/changed text /language.**

**Proposed Bylaw changes – Article IV - Trustees**

The last sentence of the paragraph, "~~The editor of the official PAMPA newsletter, Stunt News, shall also be a Trustee for the duration of his or her service.~~" is to be deleted. Reasoning: The Stunt News editor is not an elected position, so should not be represented on the Executive Council.

## **Proposed Bylaw changes - Article VIII – Duties of the Executive Council**

The **Secretary/Treasurer** or designee shall keep a correct and accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the EC as well as the membership meetings. Such records shall be available to any member at reasonable times, and expenses may be charged.

~~The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep a current membership roll. The PAMPA membership roll shall be provided to the editor of Stunt News.~~

The Secretary/Treasurer shall receive, disburse, and account for all funds of the corporation and be responsible for all tax filings. A financial statement shall be published annually and a statement of receipts and disbursements shall be published at least twice annually in the newsletter. The Secretary/Treasurer may hire accountants in the work with the advice of the President.

The **Membership Chairman** shall be responsible for Membership duties, including membership applications and correspondence, as well as to foster increases in membership in PAMPA. The Membership Chairman shall keep a current membership roll. The PAMPA membership roll shall be provided to the party responsible for mailing of Stunt News.

Defined specific duties for these offices are part of the record, but are not part of the proposed bylaw changes, since the duties are operations specific, subject to individual officer operations and are defined only by the Executive Council.

## **Proposal for a Nostalgia 30 competition class**

A new event entitled Nostalgia 30 was proposed by Randy Smith. This proposed additional new class of competition has been approved by the Council with a unanimous vote.

The rules for Nostalgia 30 are as follows:

1. Nostalgia 30 provides for the addition of a new series of designs by establishing a new event that has a 30 year rolling cutoff. That is, any plane that is 30 or more years old from the current year will be eligible for competition.
2. Nostalgia 30 will utilize the same rules as the current Classic Event with the exception of the eligibility of newer designs that meet the 30 year old or more criteria.
3. This event may be run in conjunction with the Classic, and administratively separated with a separate set of awards.

The Council adjourned at 6:52 p.m. for a short break prior to the main meeting.

## **PAMPA GENERAL MEETING:**

The PAMPA General Meeting held on Tuesday evening, July 7 was opened at 7:00 p.m. by President Bill Rich. The same Council members were present as stated in the Executive Council minutes plus about 40 general members of PAMPA. Allen Brickhaus reviewed the Executive meeting minutes to the general membership. No one had any changes or additions to that report.

Dave Gardner gave his financial report to the general membership and what few questions were asked were properly answered by Dave. Dave reintegrated the status of our bank account and that we had about \$36,000 last year at this time with a possible deficit of minus \$9,000, but that this year we have \$45,000 in the bank and a projected balance of \$10,000 at the end of the year. Dave explained that the May/June issue of Stunt News will not be published so we can get back on track with the issuance of each following Stunt News for 2009. He also explained that we will have a **special issue** so that each member will have six publications this year.

Nominations for 2010 Officers were made with nominations from the floor and the Council. The following members were nominated.

President: Bill Rich

Secretary/Treasurer: Dave Gardner

Membership Chairman: Noel Drindak

District I No one, awaiting a write in candidate or appointment by the President Bill Rich

District III	Patrick Rowan
District V	Eric Viglione
District VII	John Paris
District IX	Carl Shoup
District XI	Bruce Hunt

Nominations were then closed.

Frank McMillan brought up the issue of contests, such as the 2009 VSC, using the old pull test and line rules. The VSC personnel did contact AMA and they received permission to do so. A general discussion was forthcoming about the usage of 2009 rules with no action taken. Bill Rich will contact AMA for further advisement of the 2009/2010 rule situation.

Gene Martine was assured that we will have the 2010 ballot for new bylaws and officer elections going out in a separate mailing from the Stunt News mailing.

James Smith of Florida mentioned he thought two scales at the appearance points gathering would speed up the process. The logistics of the door location and the method were taken into advisement.

Leonard Neumann also suggested that the doors to the appearance points could be opened at 1:30 p.m. to get the process started earlier. That also was taken into advisement.

Motion was made to adjourn and motion passed. The meeting was closed at 7:25 p.m.

Allen Brickhaus / Dave Gardner