August 5th 2026 Meeting Notes

Secretaries Report

- Secretary's report was read and approved from the July meeting.

Treasurers Report - read and approved

- July Income - $145.00 - membership and upgrade electing no maintenance for 2nd member.

  Total July income - $145.00
- July Expenses - $10.00 T-Mobile Hotspot, $53.62 sign materials $36.20 for check blanks, $40.68 Fuel

  Total July expenses = $140.50.
- Dick presented the month over month report and we are looking good. Finances are positive with the Lockheed money covering expenses for upgrades. Dick discussed having 1 or 2 people that would like to sit down with him to audit the books to verify all money is accounted for since we have more money coming in than normal and he is part of an organization that had someone cooking the books and would feel better if we audit the accounts to show accountability. If interested please contact Dick or Neil. Also all club and treasury info that Dick has is in a safe owned by the club and can be retrieved if something happened to Dick.

Old Business

- 2026 Field Projects - **log your hours in the 3 ring binder**
  - Lay dirt and seed on the east side of the runway to level out the low spots.
  - North end of runway, replace old material that's failing. Also replace north taxiway
  - Craig - OKed to take down dirt berms along the main driveway.

New Business

- 2026 Event Calendar
  - All scheduled events completed. Pop Up Fun Fly possible in September
- Lockheed has rented the field August 4, 5 & 6 so far this month. $3000.00 check from Lockheed's June dates received August 3rd.
- Discussed and voted on approval to upgrade the Husky mower to a zero turn mower with money from the Lockheed rentals. Dick has been researching and we have decided on the Husqvarna MZ54. It has a Kawasaki engine and a hydro system that is more commercial grade. Residential units do not last as long and struggle with over an acre.
  - Motion was made and approved to go ahead with this purchase with a price around $6500.00 including tax. They have deals at the fair and we will look to see if the pricing gets better than the quote we received.
  - Future projects discussed with Lockheed money is to replace the small shed with a new larger shed. Also I brought up that once all upgrades are completed I want to take the Lockheed money to pay members ORCM fees for the following year if you were a paid member on the previous years roster as a thank you for allowing us to schedule Lockheed and being flexible. This could continue for a few years if we continue to rent to Lockheed in the future.

- July Fun Fly had around 10 pilots and good weather.
- Aerotow was held July 9 - 12, they had a great turnout but did have one pilot go into the corn to retrieve a plane but did not tell anyone he was going in. No phone, no water and high heat. Could have turned out bad but lucky it did not. If going into the corn please tell someone take a phone and water. Let people know when you are out of the corn. We need to make sure we have everyone safe at the field, your life is not worth a plane retrieval.
- Dick set up the salt water bucket inside another larger bucket. Place bad damaged batteries in the water to discharge before destroying later.
- The new sign is completed and installed at the front gate. The photo on the home page of the website is updated with the new sign as is the Groupme App logo. The rock and trim stones will be removed so it is easier to maintain the grass with the mowers and weed whip.
- Dick demoed a speaker that he created that can go in or on your plane and be turned on with a spare radio channel to located a plane that goes down in the corn. It is quite load and does not weigh much. Talk to Dick if you are interested in making one for yourself.
- August 23 - September 2nd at the Mason City Airport they will be hosting the World Aerobatic Championship. https://2026wac.com/ Great opportunity to see the world's best aerobatic pilots with a large variety of planes.

Next meeting

September 2nd, 6:30 pm @ the Robert and Corinne Reul Memorial Flying Field