



Meeting minutes: Southern Pennsylvania Area Association of Rocketry

Location: Zoom format

Date: 4-10-23

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Tom Aument-President, Bob Wicker-Vice President, Rita Feveryear, Glenn Feveryear-Section Advisor, Larry Gerlach-Treasury, Bob Touchinsky-Secretary, Mark Sternat-Member at large, Bruce Canino, John Yost, Dan Weinhold, Tony Rossi

Agenda items

Old Business:

Tom reported all the launch cards have been uploaded and updated as best they could. Members present did have a discussion on legibility and having correct information. The launch officers will be reminding everyone at sign in/inspection.

Treasury Report: Larry Gerlach

Our current membership 65

Old balance as of 12/22	2467.00
Dues collected	+783.00
Donations	+48.00
Equip. and supplies	-161.00
Trailer reg.	-30.00
Storage	-150.00

Domain renewal	-21.00
Current balance as of 4-10-23	<u>2936.00</u>

A question was asked of Larry from the general membership; What would a year look like?

Larry offered a general year overview as follows, stating no two years are ever the same.

For the year of Apr-22 to Mar-23

Dues collected	+1038.00
Nar safety grant	+250.00
Porta pot exp.	-306.00
Porta pot donations	+152.00
Trailer reg and storage	-300.00

Misc club donations and minor equip. exp.

Larry reported after all activities were settled for the year, Spaar had a net income of 233.00

Section Advisor Report: Glenn Feveryear

Glenn said the section insurance certificates have been sent out, Tom reported they have already been taken care of.

Virtual Naram you tube will be released soon for those that haven't attended or want to catch up. Stay tuned for more from Steve Kristal and Jay Marsh.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzTCaqJt-7k>

Pittsburgh Space Command Steel city smoke trail 23

<http://psc473.com/index.html>

NRC ends June 30th,

<https://www.nar.org/nrc-scoreboard/>

Naram-64 will be held in Lordsburg, NM

<https://community.nar.org/events/event-description?CalendarEventKey=75ca4df2-8323-4b44-b999-4fab2274c6ed&Home=%2Fevents%2Fcalendar>

National sport launch East

[https://www.nar.org/events/nsl-east-2023/#:~:text=The%20Indiana%20Rocket%20Society%20\(Section,1000%20West%20in%20Warren%20County.](https://www.nar.org/events/nsl-east-2023/#:~:text=The%20Indiana%20Rocket%20Society%20(Section,1000%20West%20in%20Warren%20County.)

National sport launch West

<https://www.nar.org/site/nsl-west-2023/>

Website report: Tony Rossi

Tony was happy to report all seems to be going well with our Facebook endeavor. The page is private and you will need to use the link sent through the club email to join. All spaar members are encouraged to join. If you are having trouble with getting on our page please contact Tony. trossi@hotmail.com

New business/ General discussion:

Tom reported our charter for Halifax launch has been approved for 2023.

The next Halifax launch is 4-29 10-4 However some help is always welcome for setup at 9:00 and teardown after the launch.

Larry commented on the clubs' trailer maintenance history. The members present agreed we are due for a check over and evaluation. Tom said he was going to take care of that and let us know where and if we need repairs, etc. Tom did start a discussion on a bigger trailer, just to plant a seed if we find we'll need to replace the trailer in the upcoming years.

Tom is looking into a wireless launcher.

John Yost started a discussion about weather and launch cancellations. The members present talked about the decisions that are behind a go, no-go launch. The most obvious is the distance some have to travel. Larry reminded us the cost of the porta pot is not refundable, therefore if the launch is cancelled later the club is accountable for that cost.

It has been noted we have had some cancellations in the past that turned out to be good enough. The membership agreed short of a crystal ball it will happen from time to time. An idea was tabled to call every member the morning of the launch for a secondary launch attempt.

