

BAS CLUB MEETING - Minutes
Via Zoom
December 11, 2024



The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Greg Cooper. There were 11 members in attendance via a Zoom meeting.

Officer Reports:

Secretary Ken Jochim reviewed his findings regarding the CTA as well as 501(c)7 non-profit status. It was agreed that he will file the CTA info with FinCEN, using the club President as the contact person. It was noted that we will need to revise the filing each year when we have new officers. This task should be done by the club Secretary.

Mike agreed to check the records to see if we have an EIN (Employer Identification Number) from the IRS, which is needed for the CTA filing.

Ken also said that we need to update the Colorado Secretary of State filing each year so it shows the current officers and correct address. The Treasurer should do this each year, and will be the "Registered Agent" and "Individual Filing the Report", and should receive the annual renewal notices. We should also update the 'mailing address' to the new PO box, once we have that info.

Bill Mansfield reported that we ended the year with 86 members versus 82 last year, with 29 float fliers. At this point we have 20 renewals for 2025. Bill has started mailing out membership cards, and will do the Life Members shortly.

There was nothing to report from the Safety Coordinator.

Webmaster Mike Gulizia reported that the website redesign process is mostly complete, with AI leading the effort for the new site while Mike maintains the old one. (*see old business below for more*).

Acting Treasurer Mike Gulizia reported on the state of the Treasury.

President Greg did not have anything new to report.

Old Business:

Float fly Coordinator Ken Jochim made a motion that he sell the club boat back to the Club, rather than continuing his personal ownership (which was done for insurance purposes). It was moved and seconded that he do so. Ken will prepare Bills of Sale for the boat and the trailer. Once we have the PO Box, Ken will transfer the trailer to the club as part of the state registration process. We also agreed that since we don't have a motor on the boat, no state registration is actually needed, so we will not renew that registration. If at some point we decide to go back to being motorized, we can get a state registration number under the club's name, using the Bill of Sale. The Bills of Sale will be kept in the club secretary files.

It was noted that there does not seem to be any activity so far regarding the proposed weather station.

Ken indicated that the STEM fellow from Colorado Springs never showed up on the proposed date. Greg checked with them and found out they had found another location, and had not bothered to cancel with us.

Greg indicated that he had not yet set up the PO box, and that he would do so shortly.

Mike reported on his investigation of using on line payments via PayPal, and noted it involved providing personal ID information from the Treasurer, which we agreed is inappropriate. Ken reported that Arvada had gone away from using PayPal. It was moved and approved that we table this proposal until the point that some member wants to put the effort into finding an acceptable way of doing on line payments.

Al reported on the status of the new website. It was moved and approved that he proceeds with moving over to the new website, and send a note to the membership regarding the update. It was agreed that we would finish up the old website files by adding the December minutes, and at that point Mike and Al will 'archive' the old site (offline) and keep the old site files for reference purposes.

There was no report from Joe Sherran regarding his looking into boat insurance policies.

It was mentioned that we are using the Zoom feature that summarizes the meeting, for use in producing the minutes each month.

New Business:

Greg indicated that a member had asked him if it was still legal to use old 72 Mhz equipment at the field. Ken & others noted that it was legal, and that the frequency board, which is still at the field, needed to be used when doing so. Greg will follow up with the member.

Elections were held, and Al moved that we confirm the list of nominees as a group, as there was only one candidate for each office. Motion passed. The new officers for next year are:

President – Ken Jochim
Treasurer – Mike Gulizia
Safety Officer – Bill Mansfield
Secretary – Bob Pederson

Webmaster – Al Coelho
Membership Chairman – Bill Mansfield
Training Coordinator/Instructor – Ken Jochim
Float Fly – Ian Isaacs

Action Items: To transition the finances, Greg C. will pick some dates & times when he can meet with Ken and Mike at the bank, so we can change the signatories on the checking account. It was also agreed that membership checks that Bill receives will continue to be given to Chester to pass along to Mike for deposit. Al will provide Bob P. a copy of the club membership program and show him how to use it as necessary. Al will also update the club website with the new officers. Ken will give Bob the Secretary file box, and Greg should give Ken any President files he has.

Training Instructor Ken Jochim noted that his student, Gautham B, had soloed the club Apprentice, and then promptly soloed his new Timber X. Congratulations to Gautham for his accomplishment!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Jochim, Secretary