

Aquidneck Island Robotics (AIR) 4-H Club Meeting

08 December 2009

Attendees: Daven Amin, Katie Blight, Rick Blight, Brandon Bruneau, David Cordeiro, Andrew DeSousa, Mike DeSousa, Thomas Dolan, Gary Gabriel, Sandy Gabriel, Kevin Goodell, Kyle Kossak, Mary Ann Kossak, Brad Kulis, Brad Mello, Joe Menassa, Dawn Sanford, Greg Sanford, Mark Seidman, Tim Sieben, Karen Toppa, Nick Toppa, Mike Violet, Michael Violet, Sue Violet, Robert Zeuge

Meeting called to order: 6:30 pm

- Motion by Greg Sanford (2nd by Joseph Menassa) to approve minutes from 01 December 2009 meeting
 - Motion approved unanimously

Committee Reports

- FLL
 - Scrimmage on Saturday was a great success
 - Over 40 kids total, over 60 people total
 - Coaches can't say anything!
 - Money spent on refreshments \$59.28
 - December 19th
 - Paige's team going to RWU
 - Gentleman who is current president of the Kiwanis will be inviting us to a future meeting to talk about donation
- FTC
 - Continuing the robot building
- FRC
 - January 9th Kickoff at Building 9:30am
 - Looking to get maximum attendance
 - Calling people on the Master Contact List to notify them of Kickoff
 - Food
 - Whitepaper on www.air4h.org
 - Step-by-step approaches to building a machine
 - Recommended reading before Kickoff
 - Building 2 re-organization
 - Everything is gone
 - Now time to begin repopulating the building
 - Cleaner, safer, more organized
 - Set a date to meet at Building 2 for cleaning
 - Contact Safety for Safety training (Tom action item)
 - Base Access List
 - Contact Tom Dolan if any questions: 835-2848

- Air Card? Internet?
- Treasurer
 - Calendar raffle
 - AIR made over \$1800
 - Remaining profit to the student's travel and FLL
 - ~\$6,000 in the AIR account right now
 - Student's travel is accounted separate
- Secretary
 - None
- Fundraising
 - Car wash this Saturday, December 12th, 2009
 - Need MORE people
 - 9:30am – 2pm
 - Maher Center at 910 Aquidneck Ave.
 - Money raised can go towards students travel (for those who attended)
 - \$10 donation suggested
 - Hexbugs
 - Bring leftover bake sale stuff
 - Coffee and donuts sales
 - Participation is noted for students
- Recruitment
 - Recruitment meeting last Thursday was very successful
 - Hopefully get some new recruits
- Public Relations
 - Website refresh
 - Based on Wordpress
 - Facebook and Twitter accounts
 - Advertising the car wash
- Travel
 - NH: Radisson
 - \$113/room with tax; 4 people/room
 - 2 nights
 - Parking is \$8/night
 - 20 rooms
 - List to be made
 - Atlanta: Omni
 - Budget ~\$600 per person; hopefully to come down with airfare
 - \$199/person for 4 nights for four people including tickets
 - \$373/person for 4 nights for two people including tickets
 - Plane tickets: \$400 round trip ticket currently
 - Group rates \$444: pay deposits and can switch names
 - Wait until January to purchase tickets
 - Need to figure out the schedule for when to leave on Wednesday
 - Need to solidify who is going to go by January

- NEED a personal ID card to travel on plane

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Rob Zeuge motion (Mike DeSousa 2nd) to choose second event: Hartford or Atlanta
 - Result: Atlanta is chosen
- Mike DeSousa motion (Brandon Bruneau 2nd) for students to seek sponsorship from local businesses
 - Recommended to be brought to the fundraising committee
 - Sue, Sandy, Mike, Nick/Karen, Katie Blight

Good of the Club

- 4-H volunteer training next Tuesday, December 2009 after the AIR meeting at 7pm; will take 30 minutes to complete.
- Motion by Rob Zeuge (2nd by Brad Mello) to close the meeting
 - Motion approved unanimously

Meeting called to close: 7:18PM

Next AIR Meeting: Tuesday, 12/15/09, 6:30 pm at the Building 80 UCTOC