

Aquidneck Island Robotics (AIR) 4-H Club Meeting

30 November 2011

Meeting called to order: 6:35 pm

By-laws:

- Amendments to by-laws were reviewed. The goal was to review and update, on a line item basis, changes to the by-laws that would bring them in line with the goals of AIR.
- A position for a Sponsor Liaison by Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC), Outreach to be added as a non-voting position to the Board of Directors was motioned by: added to the by-laws.
- Discussion was tabled while a committee is formed to review more changes necessary. Projected time frame by end of year.

BOD Members:

- Two positions open: The remaining terms of former Board members, Joe Manassa and Paige Pennypacker needed to be filled. All members present who belong to the club for over 78 days were handed ballots.

Marc Seidman nominates Mike DeSousa - elected

Jamie Bova nominates JR Casey - elected

Kevin Reilly nominates Tim Delles

Rick Blight nominates Jamie Bova

- President Carl Bender recognized the efforts of Paige Pennypacker as a Board member. She will continue as FLL Coordinator and FRC Spirit Coordinator.

Committee Reports:

FLL:

- Two scrimmages are planned for this month, 12/3 at New England Tech, East Greenwich and 12/17 at Roger Williams University, Engineering Bldg.
- Volunteers are needed for RI tournament in January; Paige needs 15 people to help with various tasks like setup, cleanup, and cueing.

FTC:

- Building of both robots is underway at Bldg. 2. Youths and non-ID individuals are being shuttled through Gate 17.
- Field is being setup in FTC area for programming and practice at Bldg. 2.

VEX:

- All three teams went to Trinity High in Manchester, NH. On 11/9, 78A and 78B reached the quarter finals and 78C made it to the semi-finals. 78B won the Programming Skills Challenge.
- On 11/17, 78A travelled to New Canaan, CT where they went undefeated for the day. They won the Design Award, Tournament Champions and Excellence Award, which qualifies them for the National Championships in Omaha and World Championships in Anaheim.
- Teams are going to Pembroke, NH on Saturday.

FRC:

- Safety meeting for all youth members on Thursday night at Bldg. 80.
- Two parent meetings are scheduled for next week at Bldg. 80, mandatory for parents to attend at least one. Will discuss program, fundraising, volunteering and travel.
- Kevin R., Mike V. and Corbin J. went to JC Penny and demonstrated last year's robot and minibot.
- Thanks to Brad K. and Carl B. for Raytheon donation, \$3,500.
- Budget finalized to go to BOD for review.

Treasurer:

- Carl B. and Mark S. will meet with Sue V. in order to be added to checking account signature list.
- Carl B., Tom D. and Mark S. are working on accounting needed for 4H and NUWC Outreach.

Secretary:

- A finalized list of youth members and adult volunteers was sent to RI 4H along with membership payment.

Fundraising:

- Will be discussed at next BOD meeting.

Recruitment:

Public Relations:

Travel:

Old Business:

New Business:

Good of the Club:

Motion by _____JR_____ (2nd by _____) to close the meeting
○ Motion approved unanimously

Meeting called to close: 8:35 PM

Next AIR Meeting: ___TBD_____, __/__/__, __:__ pm at the Building 80 UCTOC

Next BOD Meeting: Thursday, 12/15/2011, 6:30 pm at Bldg. 2, NAVSTA Newport

Attendees:

Carl Bender
Mark Seidman
Chrissy Sieben
Paige Pennypacker
Tim Delles
Candie Desjardins
Danny Ferriara
Dave Nugent

Tom Dolan
Mike Violet
Mike Desousa
Rick Blight
Jamie Bova
Gabe Faria
Jacob George

Kevin Reilly
T. J. Moore
JR Casey
Joe Menassa
Kim Lesieur
Tim Sieben
Brad Kulis