

Meeting Minutes
Aquidneck Island Robotics
Board of Directors

February 7, 2012

Location: Bldg. 2

Called to Order: 6:35 pm

Members:

Carl Bender – President	Present
Tom Dolan – Vice President	Present
Kevin Reilly – Secretary	Present
Mark Seidman – Treasurer	Present
Mike DeSousa	Present
JR Casey	Absent
Candida Desjardins, NUWC Outreach	Absent
Chris Hansen, NUWC Outreach	Present

Jr. Members:

Mike V. – Jr. President	Absent
Chrissy S. – Jr. Vice President	Absent
TJ M. – Jr. Secretary	Absent
Austin E. – Jr. Treasurer	Absent

FLL Coordinator – Paige Pennypacker	Absent
FTC Coordinator – Kevin Reilly	Present
VRC Coordinator – Rick Blight	Absent
FRC Admin - Joe Menassa	Absent
FRC Tech – Rick Blight	Absent

Agenda:

Fundraising:

Restaurants:

- Chili's fundraiser is underway for this month. Three more days scheduled in March. The manager has stated that more days will be available in May or June.

Calendar Raffle:

- Sales are underway during the month of February. Drawings will begin in March according to calendar.

Light bulbs:

- No action.

Golf Tournament:

- No action.

Car Washes:

- Joe M. is setting up a day at the end of build season.

Sponsors:

- Mark S. has received a check for \$1,000 from Newport Pharmacy for Mike V.
- Textron application is still in process.
- Toray Plastics will be sending a check.

4H:

- Carl B. has contacted 4H. We will stay on our annual budget period for this year but need to align with 4H year (Oct. – Sept.) for next season.
- JR C. has posted the apparel website. Orders are via Paypal and closed 2/7.
- JR C. has posted latest Meeting Minutes and FTC RI Regional results to website.

Treasurer:

- The BOD has requested that Jamie Bova fill the open position until a Business Meeting is scheduled, either 2/22 or 2/23.

Motion by: Carl B. Second by: Mark S.

Approved.

- Mark S. has provided an update account details. The club has about \$ 9,000 available.

Secretary:

- Currently writing drafts for sponsor thank you letters. One for principal over \$1,000 and one for all under.

FLL:

- No report.

FTC:

- Teams #121 and #4497 competed at the RI Regional on 2/4 at NE Tech Automotive. Team #4497 seeded 1st and #121 seeded 13th. Team #4497 chose #121 and #3909 as Alliance partners. They lost in the finals to Teams # 154, 4531 and 652 and took the Finalist Alliance Award.
- Team #4497 also won the Rockwell-Collins Innovation Award for “thinking outside the box”.
- Chris H. requested a list of parts for next season be provided to NUWC.

VRC:

- 78A is preparing for World Championships in April.

FRC:

- Build season continues.

Miscellaneous:

Sponsor Liaison:

- Chris H. stated to the BOD that the FTC team members demonstrated exemplary conduct and cooperation at the FTC RI Regional by helping other teams and sharing resources. He is requesting that the Team #4497 robot be donated to the NUWC Outreach program to be used as a demonstration for other programs. The BOD agreed.

Bldg. 2:

- None

Old Business:

- None

Next meeting: Business Meeting

February, 22 or 23, TBD 6:30 pm Bldg. 80

Adjourned: 7:17 pm

ACTION ITEMS:

Carl:

Tom:

Mark:

Kevin: Sponsor letters, FTC parts

JR:

Mike: FTC parts

Jamie:

Chris/Candie: