

# MN AIRSTREAM CLUB/055

## MINUTES

MAY 13, 2023

Meeting call to order by President Brenda Schultz at 9:00AM. There were 50 members in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the membership in attendance.

Roll Call of Executive Board was completed by Recording Secretary, Kay Olsson

President Brenda Schultz: present

1<sup>st</sup> VP Vernon Petersen: present

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Pam Rawn: present

3<sup>rd</sup> VP Byron Day: present

Treasurer Steve Pflagher: present

Recording Secretary Kay Olsson: present

Trustee Chuck Dodd: present

Cordell Woods: present

Pete Yanke: absent

Kathy Yanke: absent

Past President Terry Pflagher: present

A quorum of the Executive Board was verified by the Recording Secretary.

Executive Board approval via email of 2 measures were presented to the membership:

- 1) Donations by membership for Lanesboro City Park improvements at the Lanesboro Rally as Club's charitable contribution.
- 2) Request by Region 7 to use MN Club's Paypal account for 2023 Region 7 Rally registration fees.

Old Business:

Committee recommendations for charitable donations at rallies: Committee was set up at Fall Rally 2022 to make suggestions for upcoming rally Club member donations to local charities in locations that Rally is being held. Committee suggestions were presented by Pam Rawn as follows: Cash bucket donations, Christmas Party Toys for Tots donations as was done at Christmas 2022 party, Community service rallies, auctions, Tee shirts, school supplies. Rally host could contact local city for suggestions.

A motion was then made by Pam Rawn that the Rally Host will set up a nonpolarizing charity/cause to donate to at each rally. Seconded by Daryl Hermann. The motion passed unanimously. Cordell Woods

presented a motion that an Ad Hoc committee be appointed to work with the Rally host. Motion was seconded by Chris Olsson. In discussing the motion, Chris Olsson pointed out that this would require a change in the Club bylaws to incorporate a charitable donation chairperson which would need to be voted on by all membership. Cordell then withdrew the motion. Suggestion made that the Club president could appoint a coordinator without need for bylaws change.

New Business:

Request for MN Club to donate coffee, etc to R7 rally:

A motion was made by Chris Olsson that the MN Club donate coffee, condiments and coffee urn use to the Region 7 Rally in September of 2023. Motion seconded by Brenda Schultz. The motion was passed without dissent.

Donation of MN Club Flag to R7:

Chris Olsson stated that Region 7 President Ginger Slattery has requested that the MN Club donate a Club flag to Region 7 for Region events. Daryl Hermann stated that she has an extra flag and is willing to donate it to Region 7. No further action needed.

Money donation to R7:

Steve Pfliegaar stated that he had recently discovered that Region 7 does not have dues or other financial resources available to fund activities such as the Region Rally

A motion was made by Steve Pfliegaar for the MN Club to donate \$500 to Region 7. Seconded by Cordell Woods. Steve discussed current MN Club treasury figures, and stated he believes that MN Club could donate money to Region 7 without difficulty. Chris Olsson stated that the Region uses Tee shirt sales, and activities such as the Silent Auction at the 2023 Rally to fund itself. The motion passed without dissent.

MN Club pay President's rally fees for MN Club Rallies:

Motion presented by Steve Pfliegaar: MN Club will pay rally fees for each MN rally for the coordinator of that rally. Seconded by Chris Olsson. After discussion the motion was amended by Steve to include rallies in 2023 going forward and including current rally. Darryl Hermann seconded the amendment. The amendment was approved. After further discussion of the amended motion, a further amendment was suggested by Steve that no more than 2 units as coordinators be paid for by Club per rally. Seconded by Pam Rawn. The amendment passed with 1 dissent. After discussion regarding current Club rally fees, and potential impact on Club finances, the motion stood as follows:

MN Club will pay rally fees for each MN rally for the coordinator of that rally including rallies in 2023 going forward and including current rally, and with no more than 2 units as coordinators be paid for by Club per rally.

The motion passed with 1 dissent.

Potential investment of MN Club funds:

Steve Pfliegaar presented his thoughts on buying CD's or money market bonds with Club money in order to collect more interest than the Club is currently making in savings or checking. In his investigation of

CDs, he stated that the Club would only lose the interest if money needed to be withdrawn early. He suggested 1-year CDs, with a maximum total of \$6000 dollars of Club funds used, bought one per month. CDs versus money market accounts discussed. Chuck Dodd suggested that the Executive Board should handle this matter. There was a general agreement of membership, and no action was taken.

Paypal use for Region 7 in 2024:

Chris Olsson requested that MN Club Paypal be used for the Region 7 Rally in 2024 if the Region doesn't have a Paypal account yet. The membership agreed this could be handled by the Executive Board, and no action was taken.

Change of Club email addresses:

Chris Olsson presented that the International Airstream Club is going from gmail to Microsoft Outlook email platform in the next few months because Google is charging \$150 per email address per year. International Club will provide 1 email address per local Club. Additional email addresses are \$74 per year each. Chris wants 2 email addresses: Webmaster, and Treasurer (1 additional).

Motion: MN Club will request 2 accounts for MN Club. Seconded by Pam Rawn. Chris stated he's not sure when this will go into effect yet. No further discussion. Motion passed without dissent.

Northfield Rally: Pam Rawn stated that the Rally registration is open and will now be open to other than MN Unit now. Rally dates are Aug 10 – 13, 2023. She encouraged membership to attend and support the Rally. The cohost is Robbie Wiggle.

Duluth Rally: Richard Narum stated that 8 spots remain open for the Duluth Rally July 27 – 30, 2023 at Indian Point Campground.

Kay Olsson stated she will be resigning as Recording Secretary for MN Club at the Fall Rally 2023, due to other obligations with Region 7.

Chris Olsson stated he is resigning as Newsletter Editor with the completion of the May 2023 Newsletter. He will remain Webmaster for the MN Club. Bart Schultz will be taking over as Editor with Terry Pflighaar assisting.

Chris Olsson talked about Region 7 Rally in Spring Green, WI, September 15 – 21, 2023, and encouraged members to register and go to Rally. There are still sites open. He also discussed Region 7 Rally September 12 – 19, 2024 that he will be running as Region 7 president. Many activities are being planned to include a bus tour of Crazy Horse and Mount Rushmore, 1880's train ride, golf tournament, etc. Campsites are open now to reserve.

The meeting was adjourned by President Brenda Schultz at 10:20AM.

**Minutes approved by Executive Board on May 25, 2023.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Kay Olsson, Recording Secretary