

Club Board Meeting

March 3, 2023 at 6:00 pm

* Meeting called to order.

**Board Members in Attendance:**

* Jeff W, Trevor, Eric B, Travis, Chris (Banana), Greg

**Club Members, Others in Attendance:**

* Adrienne, Rodney, Sonny, Zorko, David M, Dylan, Shaun, Shane

**Tax exemption status:** Eric reported that he received a letter from Cass Co informing us that our request for tax exemption status was denied. Little reasoning was provided by Cass Co. Shaun emailed the board the Nebraska Legislature Property Tax Exemptions links. We will investigate this further and try again.

Eric also informed the Board that he will be resigning from the position of Treasure effective in two weeks. He recommends Craig of Cory McBeth. The board will need to appoint a new Treasure by a vote amongst the Board. Please let the Board know if you would be interested in the position.

**Tandem Seminar/UPT Tandem Course:** Greg informed the board that we will need to cancel the UPT Tandem Rating course due to lack of qualified candidates. The board then discussed if we should cancel the Tandem Seminar due to the costs of hosting the course. If the UPT Tandem Rating course was going to be held, the travel costs and seminar expense would have been covered by the Tandem Course. Greg will contact Mike Wadkins do discuss our options. Might need to cancel both and reschedule.

**Marketing Grant Status:** This grant will be used for any advertising. All receipts used for advertising will be sent to Treasure. Banana will send the instructions for this grant from Cass Co to Travis.

**Capital Improvement Grant:** This grant would need to be used for improvements that the public would benefit from. Removing the old clubhouse would not qualify. Things such as a new covered spectator area, bleachers, new signs. We will continue to pursue this grant even though the projects might not be fully funded by the grant. The board plans on reapplying for the same grant next year. FREE MONEY!!!

**Canopy Proficiency Card:** Banana was asking for clarification as to whom can sign off for each section of the proficiency card. The card is vague about this. Mark and Greg will seek clarification through USPA starting with our Regional Director.

**Streamer Rig for Sale:** Sonny has a streamer rig that is for sale from Walt Green for the cost of $600. Greg or one of our pro’s will jump the rig and decide if the club would like to purchase the streamer rig.

**SIM Availability:** Sonny also mentioned that SIM’s are no longer for sale in print form from USPA, Paragear, Chuting Star, etc. The only place they are for sale is on Amazon. This matter will be discussed further at the Instructor Seminar on March 19th. It will be decided then if the Club will buy the 2023-2024 SIM’s from Amazon or have students download or use an APP on their phone. Downloading and APP are free to the student.

**Tandem Donations:** Travis was asked by Weeping Water FD if we would donate a tandem to their raffle this Sunday, March 5th. The board agreed to the donation.   
  
Shaun is requesting ONE or possibly TWO tandem donations as an auction item for his Parrish fundraiser. The board will decide by March 31 on the number of tandems to donate.

**Cornhusker State Games:** Shaun spoke on this as well. He would like to utilize CSG to its fullest when it comes to skydiving and LSPC. This would include more promotion of the games and skydiving. Please reach out to Shaun with ideas.

**Nebraska State Skydiving Record:** Shaun, David M, and Dylan have started a nonprofit (Bravo Zulu) that is an adventure group for Veterans. Shaun would like to set a new Nebraska Stated Skydiving Record setting it at 100 jumps in one 24 period (with all his clothes on). This attempt would help bring awareness to their nonprofit. The date would be set for Thursday, June 29th with a weather date of Friday, June 30th. Mike is available to fly. There are no other conflicts with these dates.

**Paragolf:** Shane will be mostly taking over Paragolf starting this May. It’s scheduled for Friday, May 5th (First Friday of May). Greg made a motion to have the Board and Club meeting on that same day at their normal times after Paragolf. The motion was rejected by a vote and the Board/Club meeting will be the second Friday of May.