

## **Aquidneck Island Robotics (AIR) 4-H Club Meeting**

25 August 2009

Attendees: Rick Blight, Tom Buckley, Thomas Dolan, Kevin Goodell, Gary Gabriel, Brad Kulis, Brad Mello, Joe Menassa, James Ryan, Greg Sanford, Katie Small, Mike Violet, Michael Violet, Sue Violet, Linda Ujifusa, Robert Zeuge

Meeting called to order: 6:35pm

- Michael Violet motioned (Katie Small second) to approve 18 August 2009 Minutes
  - Motion approved unanimously

### Committee Reports

- Golf Tournament
  - Won't be able to meet the 40 person minimum for a scramble
  - Will be 5-7 foursomes with tee times starting at 1pm
  - Dinner will be served at 6:30pm.
  - Jamie Bova will register the raffle for the Tournament with the State Police. She will download the form from the website and will be in charge of the \$5.00 fee.
  - Sponsors/Prizes
    - Citizen's Bank donation via Gary
    - Sports memorabilia via Rob
    - CVS gift cards and gift basket via Joe
    - Pier 49 gift card via Mike DeSousa
    - 1-month free membership to Newport Athletic Club via Rayvon
    - Staples gift cards via Rick Blight
  - Mike DeSousa, Kevin, and Brad to call remaining people on contact list about the golf tournament and annual meeting.

### Old Business

- None

### New Business

- None

### Good of the Club

- Tom Dolan was able to secure the new Building 80 basement educational outreach room for the remainder of the Tuesday night meetings.
  - Details will be attached on the location and directions how to get there
- AIR Polo Shirts
  - Notify Gary if you wish to have a shirt.
  - \$22.50 and tell him what size you want.
- Open House

- Email will be sent to all government and contractors at NUWC
- Will be in the new downstairs educational outreach center in Building 80
- September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- Two sessions: 10am-12pm and 1pm-3pm
- FIRST
  - Regarding the team number, the matter was sent to the senior staff
  - Should know with a day or two if we retain team number 121
  - If we do not retain the team number, then we need to find out if we can select the team number prior to next week's meeting so we can begin discussion on graphics
- Fall Projects
  - Gary Gabriel's Fall Challenge
  - Build a demo machine with parts we have
  - October to December timeframe
  - Rob Zeuge to determine feasibility of project
- Tom Dolan to contact NUWC graphics department about AIR and 4-H signage
  - Brad Mello to help with?
- River Rage
  - AIR is signed up
  - Will bring either this year's robot if available or will use Gael Force's robot
  - GF has also said we could go to Nypro the week before to practice driving.
- CVS Bake Sale
  - September 12<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 2pm
  - Could sell Hex Bugs, hand out recruitment flyers
- Facebook
  - Create an AIR Facebook Page and Cause
  - Can we sell advertising on the website?
    - Yes, but the website only gets ~20 hits a day
- Recruiting
  - Harvest Fair
  - Corn Maze
  - Email to Newport School system
  - Ad in the Newport Daily News? (talk to Bridgette Blight)
- Gary Gabriel motion (Katie Small second) to close the meeting
  - Motion approved unanimously

Meeting called to close: 7:04PM

**Next AIR Meeting:** Tuesday, 9/01/09, 6:30pm at Building 80 downstairs Educational Outreach Center