

Aquidneck Island Robotics (AIR) 4-H Club Meeting

15 September 2009

Attendees: Rick Blight, Thomas Dolan, Thomas Frank, Kevin Goodell, Kyle Kossak, Brad Kulis, Brad Mello, Dylan Morin, Jamie Ryan, Greg Sanford, Mark Seidman, Katherine Small, Paul Souza, Karen Toppa, Nick Toppa, Linda Ujifusa, Mike Violet, Michael Violet, Sue Violet

Meeting called to order: 6:39pm

- Greg Sanford motioned (Brad Mello second) to approve 08 September 2009 Minutes
 - Motion approved unanimously

Committee Reports

- Bake Sale
 - Great success!
 - Profit for the event was \$300 on sold baked goods and \$60 on sold Hexbugs
 - Handed out fliers for AIR and the Open House
- Golf Tournament
 - Great success!
 - 23 golfers and approximately 60 people for dinner
 - Profit for the event was approximately \$1500 from sold mulligans, raffle tickets, and the putting contest
- Open House
 - September 19th, 2009 from 10am to 3pm in the Undersea Collaboration and Technical Outreach Center (UCTOC) in Building 80
 - Press releases and advertisements have been sent to all NUWC employees, TV stations, radio stations, and local community bulletin boards
 - Volunteers
 - Friday setup from 6pm to 8pm
 - Saturday setup from 8:30am to 9:45am
 - Saturday Open House 10am to 3pm
 - Green and white balloons at the intersection of West Main Road and Access Road
 - Volunteers out front wearing orange vests to direct traffic
 - Signs to be placed on all other Building 80 doors directing people to the UCTOC
 - Two volunteers at the check-in table; attendees will be asked to sign-in (per NUWC regulation) and will get an agenda and map of the room layout
 - Saturday cleanup from 3pm to 4pm
 - Pizza for volunteers

- Setup for Captain's event on Monday morning
- FLL
 - Two tables with volunteers
 - 2009 Smart Move game board
- FTC
 - Two tables with 3 volunteers
 - Demo bots
 - Handouts
- FRC
 - Two tables with 5 to 6 volunteers
 - Promo videos
 - Motors/parts
 - Robot demonstrations
 - Design book and photo album
 - Handouts
- URI/4-H
 - One table with URI students and 4-H information
- NUWC
 - One table with possibly Candie Desjardins to answer questions
- AIR forms and business cards on the last table
- P/A system to be provided by Nick Toppa
- Rick has the sign up sheet with names

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Good of the Club

- Harvest Fair/Corn Maze
 - Harvest Fair
 - October 3rd and 4th at the Norman Bird Sanctuary in Middletown
 - \$50 to be in the Community Services Tent and sell anything
 - 10am to 5pm both days
 - Sign up sheeting passed around
 - Purpose will be to promote team, recruit members, and sell Hexbugs
 - Corn Maze
 - October 3rd at Escobar Farm in Portsmouth
 - 9am to 5pm
 - Sign up sheet passed around
 - Purpose will be to promote team, recruit members, and sell Hexbugs

- River Rage
 - Saturday, October 31st in Manchester, NH
 - 8am until approximately 5pm
 - Should have team name and number by then, so decals of the number, sponsors, and number will be made for the robot
 - For those who have them, wear your AIR polo shirts as team shirts
 - There will be a Non-Engineering Mentor Organization (NEMO) meeting for those who might be interested in attending. They are very informative.
 - There will be a practice session on October 10th for those who want to drive the robot at the Nypro facility in Clinton, MA
 - Let Rick know if you are interested
- FRC Rebranding
 - Submit your ideas this week
 - Seawolves – logo could be a wolf with a robotic arm taking a bite out of a torpedo
 - AIR – everything “clear”
 - AIR – “sky is the limit”
 - Next week there will be a vote for the top five
- AIR Polo Shirt Order #2
 - The logo setup fee is paid for, so we can order any additional item with the AIR embroidered logo on it.
 - Oxford shirt
 - Denim shirt
 - Panama hat
 - Knit hat
 - Beanie?
- Donations
 - The following donation was made in the last week to AIR
 - \$200 from Anonymous
- Mentors
 - If anyone has friends or coworkers who might be interested in mentoring, please let the BOD know.
 - Technical/engineering mentors are always needed
 - Computer
 - Electrical
 - Computer
 - Animation
 - Web Design
- Mark Seidman motion (Gary Gabriel second) to close the meeting
 - Motion approved unanimously

Meeting called to close: 7:45PM

Next AIR Meeting: Tuesday, 9/22/09, 6:30pm at the Building 80 UCTOC