

ERCA Minutes 03/18/2025

- Attendance: 10

Treasurer's Report

Balance:	February 8th, 2025	\$8,110.67
Expenses:	Swap meet donuts	\$16.00
	Swap meet coffee supplies	\$23.94
	Gift card for Mike & Shannon	\$100.00
	Total Expenses	\$139.94
Income:	Swap meet float	\$50.00
	Swap meet table fees	\$25.00
	Plane sales (not swap meet)	\$50.00
	2025 Dues & new member fees	\$705.94
	Swap meet admissions	\$436.00
	Plane sales (swap meet)	\$563.00
	Swap meet cleaning deposit	\$200.00
	Total Income	\$2,028.94
Balance:	March 9th, 2025	\$9,999.67

- As of Mar 9th, 45 members have renewed for 2025.
 - With our 4 club officers, that gives us a membership count of 49 people.
 - William Fitts and Mark Kristiansen have joined ERCA.
 - 21 members from 2024 have not yet renewed.

Old Business:

- Martin brought the proposition to change the club's bylaws to move membership to 12-month annual membership, rather than the current calendar year-based model.
 - The proposal was voted on and the motion carried with everyone voting in favor of it.
 - Martin will update the by-laws on the website and the membership form to reflect the new membership model.
- Roger has not heard any more about the FAA training event for June 1st.
- There is no further news on the potential pattern event.
- Chili fly-in at next meeting, April 19th.
 - Jeff to bring some chili
 - Dave can do dogs, toppings, etc.

New Business:

- MonsterFest has been sanctioned by the AMA.
 - It will be advertised in the AMA magazine ahead of the event.
 - Ken has revamped the flyer.
 - Ken is going to be contacting companies for donations.
- Martin will restart Above All Sanitation from the start of April.
- Jim had been asked to find out the cost of getting a fabric runway:
 - Our current geotex runway is 40 ft x 95 ft, and cost \$1,895 to put in.
 - A 36 x 360 runway would be \$6,756.
 - A 43 x 300 runway would be \$5,641.
 - This would be about half the length and half the width of the current runway.
 - It would last about five years.
 - Jim suggested the if we want to do it, we should do have members fund-raise, and wait until money is raised, rather than commit current club funds to it.
 - Brian suggested putting down some lawn base (fertilizer, mulch, sand & pumice) to level the grass runway out. Brian is going to investigate pricing to get this done.
 - The consensus was to see about the cost of improving the current grass runway.
- Dave brought a report from the McMinnville Swap Meet.
 - It was much smaller than last year.
 - There were empty tables – probably weather related.
 - They allowed sellers to sell out of their trailers in the parking lot. That seems like something we could adopt.
 - Dave thought our event seemed better prepared and staged.
- Brian raised the idea of doing a second swap meet towards the end of the season.
 - Ken to check on the Grange's availability for early October.
- April meeting at the field – Saturday April 19th.