SMASH/MMAR WEB/EX Business Meeting MINUTES

November 28, 2020, commencing at 7pm

Participants: Pam Gilmore, Dave Gilmore, Jay Calvert, Rob Dickinson, Bob Alway, Justin Stotter, Tom VanBrugen

President’s Report presented by Pam, listing discussion points of: COVID-19 directives, launch schedule, section grants, and thanks to Rob Dickinson and Jay Calvert for championing HP launch certifications, and thanks to everyone who continues to help with set-up, tear-down, and RSO/LCO duties.

Treasurer’s Report presented by Jay, and accepted. Due to COVID-19, we did lose some money this past year, but, hopefully, we can make up some of it with all of our launches this year. We are anticipating a large purchase of a storage container, due to our current shed is rapidly deteriorating. We have applied for section grants from NAR and TRA to help offset the cost. A committee was formed to research potential solutions to our dilemma. The committee consists of Dave, Tom, Justin, Bob, and Jay. Dave has offered to purchase a storage shed (approx 8x12) to serve as the new bathroom. Tom is to ask Steve Barnard what is allowed. Pam will ask Matt for the information he collected previously. Bob offered two packages of shingles.

Our waiver is still effective for 16,000ft/MSL until 7/31/2022. Rob is the waiver holder, and Pam is responsible for calling in before each launch.

Membership dues were discussed, and it was decided that they should remain the same for 2021. New memberships received on or after September 1st of a year will include the next calendar year.

Unification of the two clubs was discussed. It is important that we retain division for insurance purposes. MMAR is primarily HP (Tripoli) and SMASH is LP & Competition (NAR). All launches will be under Tripoli insurance as primary.

Dave will contact Jons-to-Go for schedule and billing. Invoices should be billed to the SMASH debit card, and the bills sent to Jay.

Pam will update schedule on the website. SMASH and MMAR will have a joint website, currently hosted on homestead.com. Tom will take on the duties of webmaster and design a new look and feel to the website. There will be dual pages, with SMASH as primary.

Groups.yahoo.com is no more. Our new group, currently moderated by Jay, is a part of Groups.nar.org, smash@groups.nar.org. Thanks to Jay for getting this done!

Build sessions and the Christmas party were cancelled due to COVID-19.

Spring Clean & Repair Day has been set for March 27th. Projects include: bathroom floor repair, equipment cleaning, shed reorganization, and painting on the pavilion. The club will supply lunch.

Launch dates have been set as follows: April 24th (Fun Scale), May 22nd (Classic Rocket), June 19th (Cluster Rockets), CANAM Cup June 26th & 27th (NO HP launches!), July 17th (Patriotic), August 28th (Military Missile), September 25th (Alien & Sci-Fi), October 23rd Halloween (TBD) and Elections.

The business meeting will be held November 7th.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9pm.

Respectfully submitted by Pamela Gilmore, President.