Membership Meeting Minutes Aero Modelers of Perrine February 24, 2024 11:00AM President Vicar Hernandez called the meeting to order.

Vicar informed the membership that current member count is 230.

**Minutes** – All present voted to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as provided in an email to the entire membership.

**Treasurers Report** – Gary Grimard, Treasurer, shared the report. All present vote to accept as read.

## **Old Business**

**Field Maintenance** – Vicar shared that since Marvin Alvarez has been cutting the grass nothing but good reports about the great condition of the field have been received. Some in attendance commented on how well maintained the runways are.

Cane Grass – Ernie Guerra, VP, is working on borrowing a machine to help with the cane grass cutting.

Miami Jets management discussion – Pablo and Mike Abraira were not present. Issue closed.

**Grievance process** – Vicar shared the proposal for the grievance update. Those in attendance approved it as presented. This is a bylaw change and will be sent the entire membership for voting to be conducted at the next club meeting. CLICK BELOW TO SEE THE PROPOSED CHANGES

**Miami Jets Accounting** – George Brod requested an update on the money from the event. Vicar shared the report provided by Mike. The only income listed was reported as *registration*. Members present asked about the raffles conducted and the money collected which was not included in the reconciliation. Vicar will write to Mike requesting an update of accounting for these funds.

## **New Business**

**Trademark of the Miami Jets name** – Pablo Fernandez was sent a letter requesting that he withdraw his trademark application for the name. He was not present to discuss. A Letter of Protest was sent to the Patent Office detailing the historical use of the name Miami Jets by AMPS. Members agreed that there is no reason to pursue this matter as the legal cost is high. It was decided to use a different name for the next "Jets" event in December.

**AeroFest** – Ernie, event CD, requested November 8-10, 2024, with a \$500 budget. The event will be for scale, propeller driven airplanes, including turbo props, and helicopters. All present vote to accept.

**Reinstating New Member approval process** – Juan Vallejo, Chief Instructor, brought up the idea of reinstating a new member approval process of some sort. He will bring a recommendation to the next meeting. The primary focus of the discussion was ensuring that new members knew the rules they agreed to when they joined the club. Please remember that we all agreed to follow the rules when we applied. All new and old members are responsible for knowing them.

**MEETING Adjourned!** 11:32AM