

## Meeting notes

20 November 1993

Gingo's, North Adams, MA

Meeting called to order at 6:38 PM EST

### In attendance:

Brooks Ellison, President  
Mark Droy, Secretary  
Doug Sharpe  
Barbara Cramer  
Chip Belch

John Gavriel, Vice President  
Tim Donovan, Flight Director  
Randy Adams  
Jack Hannus

Minutes read and accepted from last meeting

### Old Business:

Need to send Conn Club a copy of site rules  
Tow Clinic on hold until airport commission meets again next year  
Petersburg Pass South Vista will be maintained as an opening for possible future use. Spring work party required.

### New Business:

Received letter from USGHA  
Need to pursue incorporation once again - Mdroy to investigate

TimD MM to become a chapter of USGHA. JohnG 2nd. No cost to club, 2 issues of HangGliding Magazine to Adams Library and Bascom Lodge.  
Vote: Unanimous FOR

Insured sites discussed. Required for USHGA sanctioned events - tabled  
Helmet Stickers and membership cards discussed. - tabled  
Listing of Observers and Examiners needed in Newsletter - Mdroy for action

RAdams MM for club to support Regional Mailing list by donating \$1/member to defray expenses. Mdroy 2nd. Each club could also prepare a 1 page site report in a standard format such as that found in HG magazine.. DSharpe suggested this could also be made available on disk, but that would be subject to the regional meeting.

TimD MM that the Flight Director and officers review site regulations, format, and mail to members for comments/suggestions/approval. BrooksE 2nd.

Vote Unanimous FOR

BrooksE to look into North Adams Airport telephone weax info

JohnG to telephone members to obtain permission to put individuals/phone #'s on site guides

RAdams, as REGDIR, asked MHGA to sponsor this year's regionals

Hang III issue

Insurance

Crowd control on Trail over state highway/power lines

no points awarded for Nats/World Team

Brooks for action/decision- tabled

Presentation by Randy Adams on the Regional Directors Meeting in Oct93 in Nashua:

Copies of Committee reports obtained (Brooks)

High Fatality rate among paraglider pilots- HG pilots need to help more

Insurance problems - 2 small claims, 1 major, and 1 pending (Teddy Bear) which could lead to problems of USHGA being uninsurable.

Rewrite of FAA Part 103 - FAA involvement not wanted, but could solve insurance problem

Presentation by Douge Sharpe

New president of a forming paraglider club out of Boston.

wants info/liaison on sites

discussion on regulation of Mt Tom

Presentation by Chip Belch

North Adams Landfill still building a nice hill

Early input could lead to development of a nice novice site

**Notes:**

Dues due 01 January 1994. 29 people in club this year (1993)

Regional PowWow First Saturday in February 1994

Meeting Adjourned at 9:31 PM EST