



## MICHIGAN TEAM-1

# 2017 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

When: Sunday, 01/22/17, 1100 eastern  
Where: Stuart Davis's house, 4001 Parkwood Court, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301, USA  
Present: Stuart Davis, Prefect  
Eldred Pickett, Vice-Prefect  
Bob Schultz, Secretary/Treasurer  
Please see Appendix A for a scan of the Sign-In Sheet

Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz called the meeting to order at 1115. Attendees were welcomed, and the Board of Directors was introduced.

Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz reminded all present that to vote in the upcoming election it was necessary to be a current fully-paid member in good standing of Michigan Team-1, and membership application forms were available for immediate processing.

### Financial Report:

Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz presented the Financial Report for the 2016 fiscal year.

Total Income for 2016 came to \$1,093.64.

Total Expenses for 2016 were \$908.40.

Thus, prefecture operating income for 2016 was \$185.24.

The treasury balance on 12/31/16 was **\$4,073.84** (\$2,459.27 in the checking account, and \$1,614.57 in the Certificate of Deposit).

It was agreed that a \$100 gift card should be given to airport owner Doug Smith as a token of our appreciation for his allowing us to use his property. Schultz advised that he would obtain a Menard's gift card and send it to Mr. Smith.

Summary: The treasury value of **\$4,073.84** is a modest improvement over last year. The financial benefit of being allowed to fly at Alkay Airport is considerable,



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because it entails no costs for porta-potties and dramatically lower costs for fuel. The prefecture's finances are reasonably solid.

2017 Annual Election: The 2017 Annual Election was conducted via written ballots. To ensure total transparency, the ballots were counted in real time and tallied by the Secretary/Treasurer as each ballot was read aloud in turn. No absentee/proxy votes were included, as none existed.

The election results were:

Prefect: Norman Nazaroff, 7 votes, unopposed

Vice-Prefect: Jeremy Smith, 7 votes, unopposed

Recording Secretary: Robert Schultz, 7 votes, unopposed

There were no write-in votes.

Thus the 2017 Board of Directors will be as follows:

Prefect: Norman Nazaroff

Vice-Prefect: Jeremy Smith

Recording Secretary: Robert Schultz

The bylaws stipulate that the BoD term of office begins on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Michigan Team-1 wishes to thank outgoing Prefect Stuart Davis and outgoing Vice-Prefect Eldred Pickett for their service on the BoD.

Need for a new website: Our current website ([www.team1.org](http://www.team1.org)) has problems, and it is difficult and time-consuming to make changes to it. This issue was identified and discussed at last year's Annual Meeting, a resolve to develop a new web site emerged from that discussion, but the initiative stalled. Jeremy Smith is willing to develop a new and much more modern and functional web site for Team-1, at no cost (Smith is a professional web site developer and does this sort of work daily).



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Smith also repeated that his employer is willing to provide website hosting at no cost to Team-1. Schultz will set a meeting date for the new BoD to meet at Jeremy's house to work on developing a new web site. Input from members as to what features they would like to see are welcome.

Maintenance Day, trailer repairs: It's been several years since a Maintenance Day has been conducted on the trailer and its equipment, and it shows. In addition to routine maintenance on ground support equipment, there is a need to organize the trailer contents. A number of years ago, the trailer was highly organized and efficient, but that has slowly been lost and equipment is stored in it in a chaotic fashion now. The trailer is currently parked outside on a concrete pad next to a hangar on the north end of Alkay Airport. In order to move it into the east-side hangar anytime soon, we need a hard freeze that will allow movement of the trailer without damaging the turf. The alternative is to move the trailer after the ground fully thaws and dries, in the spring or summer.

The trailer roof has a small leak in the port forward corner that threatens the welfare of the trailer contents. This concern was lessened when the trailer was parked inside the east hangar, but now that it is parked outside, it is more worrisome. Recently, Schultz applied a lightweight tarp, secured with straps, that covers the entire roof of the trailer. It appears to be working; during a recent visit, the trailer interior was inspected and appeared dry.

This discussion concluded with no firm setting of a Maintenance Day date.

New Launch Control System: Pickett led a discussion about the possibility of upgrading our launch control system, possibly to a wireless system (like a Wilson F/X). A portion of the Prefecture Improvement Program funds received from TRA in 2016 went to the purchase of a reel of 8-wire insulated cable that would efficiently replace the many heavy extension cords on the wheeled cart we currently have; Davis intends to upgrade our present technology with this. Our launch controller, while old, works well. Davis opined that an advanced wireless system, while cool, is a "want" and not a "need", and it would not be wise to spend over a quarter of the prefecture's treasury on it at this time.



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Gaining new members: Pickett led a discussion about concerns about declining membership. The Current Membership List going into this meeting has only 12 members, and 9 of them are Life members exempt from paying dues (the revised list that will incorporate membership renewals at this meeting, as well as from the October launch event, will total more). Stories of how members learned of the existence of high power rocketry, and joined Team-1, were told. Ideas about recruiting new members were shared: posting flyers in hobby shops, advertising in hobby magazines, etc. Prefect-elect Nazaroff said that this will be a concern of the new BoD in 2017. This discussion morphed into a discussion about researching the possibility of a new launch site that would afford a higher FAA waiver. It was acknowledged that the relatively modest waiver of 6000 AGL at Alkay adversely affects interest in Team-1 launches.

Scheduling launch events for 2017: The current pattern of 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at Alkay Airport will be maintained, starting in March. The issue of Three Oaks was discussed also. Unlike the “good old days”, Michigan Team-1 is no longer the only prefecture in the Michigan area that offers high power rocket launches. We now have ‘competition’ in southwest Michigan from the likes of Michiana Rocketry and Midwest Power. Also on the west side of the state, due to MMARS launches near Muskegon. A lengthy discussion occurred about whether Team-1 has a future hosting launches at Three Oaks anymore. Schultz opined that Team-1’s focus needs to now be at Alkay Airport, albeit with a waiver of ‘only’ 6000 AGL.

Pizza and pop were served. Informal discussions of rockets and Team-1 issues occurred.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1500.


Respectfully submitted,

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## Appendix A

 **MICHIGAN TEAM-1**  
#1 in High Power Racing

### 2017 ANNUAL MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

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No.	Name (last, first, middle initial) PLEASE PRINT	TRA number
1.	PIGELT, ELDRED	10444
2.	Schulte, Robert W.	05116
3.	Schulte, Rhalene	
4.	Jeremy Smith	12434
5.	NARZOFF, NORMAN J.	04812
6.	DAVIS, STUART	2232
7.	CRITES, HERBERT	NM 99906
8.	Walter Kargus	1311B
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### Appendix B

# 2017 ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

Sunday, 01/22/17, 1100 eastern  
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No.	Item	Who
1.	Call to order & welcome	Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz
2.	Sign attendance sheet	all
3.	Membership renewals (before the election)	Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz (and his loyal staff of millions)
4.	Financial Report 2016	Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz
5.	Election for BoD	all, via ballot (only members in good standing may vote)
6.	Need for a new website	Jeremy Smith
7.	Need for a Maintenance Day	Stuart Davis
8.	Trailer repairs	Eldred Pickett
9.	New launch system	Eldred Pickett
10.	Gaining new members	Eldred Pickett
11.	Miscellaneous	all
12.	Adjournment	Secretary/Treasurer Bob Schultz