

S. S. A. Executive News

THE MEETING of the old Board of Directors of THE SOARING SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC. convened in the Hotel New Yorker at 8:40 P. M., January 29, 1937. Those present were:

Barnaby	Gale	Sekella
Southee	Lange	Smith
Hamilton	Franklin	duPont

Present, but not qualified to vote because he had resigned, was Lawrence. Barringer also attended the meeting.

This meeting of the old directors was held prior to the installation of the new directors who had been elected at the annual election. It met to pass an amendment to the Charter, the change being felt necessary in order to make THE SOARING SOCIETY an educational institution, so that it might be possible to solicit financial support which would be tax exempt.

This amendment was passed and the wording of it is in the possession of the new president, Richard C. duPont.

In addition a motion was made to amend Article IV, Section 1 of the by-laws to read as follows; the amendment being seconded and passed.

"The affairs and business of The Society shall be managed and conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than three (3) nor more than twenty (20) members, eighteen (18) of whom shall be elected by a majority of ballots cast at the annual 1937 election. Of the eighteen new directors who are elected by a majority of the ballots cast at the annual 1937 election, the six (6) receiving the greatest number of votes shall serve for a term of three (3) years, the next six (6) for a term of two (2) years and the remaining six (6) for a term of one (1) year. These eighteen (18) directors shall elect the two (2) remaining directors provided for, who shall serve for a term of one year.

"In 1938 and in each succeeding year thereafter, six (6) new directors shall be elected by a majority of the ballots cast at the annual election to serve for a term of three (3) years.

"The directorate may annually elect two directors to serve for a term of one (1) year.

"No director may be nominated for re-election until he has less than one year of his unexpired term to serve."

The meeting then adjourned at 10:00 P. M.

A second meeting of the new directors was called immediately following, that is at 10:00 P. M., and minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted. The new directors present were:

Barnaby	Gale	Sekella
Southee	Lange	Smith
Hamilton	Franklin	Lawrence

The full list of the eighteen new directors elected by popular ballot at the annual election was read as follows:

Richard C. duPont	Youston Sekella
Mrs. Warren E. Eaton	Jay Buxton
Karl O. Lange	Gus Scheurer
Ralph S. Barnaby	Stanley Smith
Wolfgang Klemperer	Donald Hamilton
Earl R. Southee	William Enyart
Charles H. Gale	Percy Pierce
R. E. Franklin	Arthur Lawrence
William Hawley Bowlus	Henry Wightman

It was moved by Gale and seconded by Lange that Arthur Schultz be elected as the nineteenth director—carried.

It was moved by Southee and seconded by Hamilton that Barringer be elected the twentieth director. Others nominated were:

Haller and McGrath

Barringer was elected.

The Treasurer's statement was then read.

The Contest Manager next presented a financial statement covering the 1936 Soaring Contest which was accepted as read.

It was approved that a notice of election to the new directors not present be sent as soon as possible.

It was decided that a brief summary of the 1936 Contest financial statement be sent with the Minutes of the Meeting.

The meeting was then opened for an informal discussion of prospective new officers. It adjourned at 1:00 A. M., January 30th, after deciding that the next meeting start at 1:30 P. M.

The second meeting of the new directors opened at 2:00 P. M., January 30th, for the election of new officers. The following officers were unanimously elected for the year 1937:

Richard C. duPont, *President*
Ralph S. Barnaby, *Vice-President*
Wolfgang Klemperer, *Vice-President*
Arthur Lawrence, *Secretary*
Percy Pierce, *Treasurer*
Karl O. Lange, *Chairman of Contest Board*

The new directorate confirmed the decision of the old board to hold the 1937 Contest at Elmira, New York from June 26th through July 11th and the new directorate approved the decision of the Executive Committee to hold a 1938 International Contest, the place and time to be decided later. Lange was authorized to register this Contest with the N. A. A. and F. A. I.

Motion was made by Lange, which was passed, that the directors approve plans of the Executive Committee for a Gas Model Contest to be held at Elmira, New York, July 5th through the 9th.

Directors decided that notice of the first Eastern States Gas Model Contest be included in the stationery for the eighth Annual National Soaring Contest. It was also decided that Karl Lange's name as Chairman of the Contest Board be included on Soaring Society stationery among the officers.

This meeting adjourned at 3:00 P. M. with the decision to hold a final Directors' Meeting at the same place Sunday morning, January 31st.

The open meeting for the members of the Soaring Society followed immediately, approximately 150 being present

Vice-President Barnaby, after a brief introductory talk, during which he mentioned the decisions of the directors and named the new directors and officers, then introduced Lew Barringer who spoke about his experiences as pilot for an Archeological Expedition in Persia. Barnaby then read a paper by Art Schultz on—"Stresses in Auto Towed Glider Flight". A discussion followed led by R. E. Franklin and Barnaby.

Lawrence presented a paper on "The Factors Involved in Glider Instruction and the Things a Pilot Must Learn in Order to Become an Expert Soaring Pilot".

A discussion followed on methods for training Glider Pilots in blind flying.