

SOUTHWEST REGION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

12 APRIL 20:00 CENTRAL (telephone conference call)

Members attending:

- Lt Col Harriet Smith, CS
- Col Brian Ready, CV1
- Col Joe Smith, CV2
- Col Mark Smith, CC
- Lt Col Nancy Smalley,

Agenda Items:

- Review the Oklahoma National Powered Flight Academy estimated budget, the Texas Powered Flight Academy Budget Worksheet, and the Texas Glider Flight Academy Budget Worksheet.

The Finance Committee found the budgets to be inadequate for approval. Col Mark Smith will call the National Director of Finance to clarify Nationals exact expectation of SWR regarding budget approval.

End of meeting 20:30 Central

UPDATE:

Additional budget information was received from the Activity Directors of the TX Powered NFA and OK Powered NFA. The SWR CC requested a conference call with NHQ-FM as we don't have a satisfactory level of detail to do either oversight or approval of the SWR NFAs.

John Salvador facilitated the meeting and his deputy Paul Gloyd sat in as well. The primary NHQ speaker was Wendy Hamilton of Cadet Programs. Two individuals from FM were also in attendance – Angela (Susan Easter's new deputy) and Drew.

We discussed what we had in hand for SWR NFA budgets: OK powered flight was the most robust budget, with second level costs included. TX powered flight; glider academy north and glider academy south had only top level costs. We were unwilling to approve budgets without having the second level costs so we could have decent insight into what is being planned.

More robust budgets haven't been required, as NHQ/CP didn't foresee the need for them.

Once we receive the more detailed budgets, we will be expected to review and, if satisfied, put them in Sertifi for approval. During execution we will be tapped to review/approve check requests, etc. that come in from the activities. This is important from both an oversight role and span of control. Reviewing contracts that the NFA have put into place is outside of the scope of our budget oversight.