Radio Flyers

EE 41440

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Minutes 01-20-12

1. Part orders

- Purchase quad copter with controls, then make our own
- Design board as a test platform with header pins vs buying separate breakout boards for

each sensor

2. Gps

- 10hz refresh rate
- issues may arise with antenna
- 3. Schafer has accelerometer kit boards
 - may want altimeter (barometer)
 - gyro
 - can use sonar for height
- 4. Algorithm for quad-copter controls
 - Look at papers, master's thesis, etc.
 - PID, Figure out how to use Simulink
- 5. Things to do
 - Talk to Natalie to get a cart in the learning center
 - Get a tool kit
 - Will get a public website for documentation
- 6. How to build a board

- Start with what you need, major components,
- Figure out I/O pins, protocol, voltage, etc.
- How do they interface with the microcontroller, may need to debug