WPA General Minutes April 10, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 by Les Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The minutes of the last chapter meeting were accepted as written.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Greg Bell.

President's Report

Awaiting the status of this Saturday's Maintenance Seminar.

The Whidbey Island community voted overwhelmingly to retain Whidbey Airpark which is for sale. The Port is looking into purchasing it.

Jim Smith, a past president, had By Pass surgery and is due for release this weekend.

Membership

Steve reported membership at 174. People can check online to see if they are paid up. Visiting pilots were introduced.

GA Day

Steve reported that we still need volunteers and people should sign up. Stephanie announced volunteers will be hosted at a pizza dinner the Thursday before GA Day. There will be a fuel discount for participating pilots. Rich Jones announced that we are again having Young Eagles flights which will be sponsored by the Harvey Field Chapter of the EAA. Pilots and other volunteers are still needed. Jim Fries said we are still looking for more static display aircraft and interested pilots should contact him at irfries@comcast.net.

Communications Committee

Dave Wheeler reported that the committee is working on revising the website. He asked that members send suggestions for improvement to him as well as links to any good example websites.

Freedom Watch

LASP – The TSA is meeting with various airplane interest groups to discuss how to proceed.

Dave Waggoner will be facilitating a meeting with our legislators to inform them of our concerns.

PAE is starting to issue picture badges.

PAE is getting materials from the FAA on what scheduled service will mean. There is a link on our website to the LATS survey. The site has a sample survey containing John Dobson's sample answers. People can submit their completed surveys by email or print out the survey and send it in. Send any questions to Les. And please fill out the survey.

<u>Program – 8:25</u>

Rich Jones introduced our speaker, member George Luck, who gave an interesting talk on his adventures in Air Force Flight Test at Wright Patterson and Edwards AFB from 1967-1975.

Following the program, Les announced that there would not be a maintenance seminar on Saturday.

Kevin Kelly announced that Aviation Academy is starting on April 20 with 30 students. Volunteers are needed, especially for the flight planning and navigation segment. There is a link to the schedule on our website.

A motion to adjourn was passed at 9:25.