WPA General Meeting Minutes March 13, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 by President Les Smith at the Sno-Isle Technical Center.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Minutes

A motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting was passed.

Treasurer

Greg Bell reported that we currently have \$10, 319.88 in our bank account. We owe the State WPA \$375.00. Our USPS account balance is \$646.30. A full report is available upon request.

President's Report

Les reported on the success of last month's meeting at the FOF.

Due to Jim Faustina's many other commitments, there will not be a Maintenance Seminar on Saturday the 14th.

Les again stressed the importance of volunteers in making the chapter activities a success. Les introduced Charles Hower, the VP of the state WPA who was attending our meeting. The links on the group website will be updated this weekend so that members can send emails to their representatives regarding LASP and other intrusive activities of the TSA. Various members of WPA will be testifying to the state legislature about the possible threat to airports of allowing windmills to be built near airports.

Membership

Steve reported that we currently have 172 paid members. 28 members from last year have not yet renewed. Steve is currently getting a bid on red ribbons (such as the ones with the familiar "Remove Before Flight") with our website on the ribbon. They would be used as a recruiting tool.

<u>GADay</u>

Steve passed around a sign-up list for volunteers for GA Day and encouraged members to participate.

Old Business

Les encouraged anyone who has an idea for a group fly-out to contact the Board of Directors who would be happy to help organize the event.

New Business

Les advised of the formation of a Communications Committee to study more effective communications and appointed Dave Wheeler to chair this committee. The first project of the committee will be the Chapter's website. Dave is also the Director at Large at the State level, and is also working the website issue at that level.

Program

Les introduced our speaker, Adrian Hunt. Adrian is Executive Director of the Flying Heritage Collection. Adrian gave a well received and interesting talk on Aircraft Museums around the world, comparing and contrasting them with regard to preservation, restoration, exhibition and architecture.

Following the talk and questions, Charles Hower reported that the Snohomish Chapter would be having a seminar on flying to Canada at 10 a.m. Saturday the 14th and next month on the 25th of April, a seminar on weather.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10.