

WPA General Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Les Smith. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Dick Kinnier won the drawing for a free meal at a future meeting.

A motion to accept the minutes passed.

There was no Treasurer's report.

President's Report

Les discussed the need for more volunteers at this year's GA Day. In total, there is a need for 20 volunteers. Les showed slides of the layout for this year's event and discussed the need for people to help in parking, securing areas so that aircraft doing flybys can move from their parking areas to taxiways, and to direct tenants needing access to their hangars.

Membership

Membership stands at 176. Steve Waterman announced that he had forms for new or returning members. Otherwise people could join at www.wpa-flies.org. Thanks to Janice Wheeler who has researched and found promotional key rings. They are currently being reviewed for cost.

GA Day

Shane reviewed what vendors will be in the Ready Hangar, and what is in the Kid's tent. The vendor count is currently full.

There will be bands in the Ready Hangar. Also there will be an Honor Guard ceremony and the Aviation Academy graduation.

Rich announced that he needs more Young Eagle pilots and office staff.

Stephanie announced that we will have 2- 4 passenger golf carts for guests who have walking difficulties.

Communication Committee

Dave Wheeler is working on a new template for our website and would welcome any input.

Freedom Watch

The TSA is starting negotiation with the airport.

Wings Weekend

Wings weekend will be May 30 at Regal. To get Wings, a participant must attend 3 seminars, (there are 4 planned over Saturday and Sunday), and meet the PTS for Touch and Gos, IMC proficiency and Maneuvers. Interested pilots can read more at Pilot Proficiency Training at www.regalair.com

Les introduced our speaker, Jim Fries, who spoke on the early Boeing testing of the Autoland system.

Good of the Order

Kevin Kelly announced that Aviation Academy is ½ done. This year the class was able to get into the tower, which hadn't been possible for a few years. May 11 and 13 the class will be doing navigation and flight planning and could use help.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14.