WPA General Meeting Minutes April 9, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Les Smith at 8:05.

David Gyuro, son of a new member, won the dinner drawing – and it was his birthday.

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Greg Bell. We currently have a balance of \$12000 and change. Details available upon request.

President's Report

Skykomish Work Party – June 5th at 11 a.m. The chapter will provide a Costco lunch. Dinner will be a potluck with steaks provided by Chip Davidson. The work list has been provided by the WSDOT. Participants should bring rakes, weed whackers, gloves and dress in work attire. Jim Morgan will have a trailer available to transport equipment. Interested members can camp overnight. More information will be provided closer to the event date.

Membership

Steve Waterman announced that the count is 182 members. He has given the list to Castle & Cooke for the fuel discount.

The new members present at the meeting were Steve Gyuro and his son David, and Bob and Carol Schaefer. Welcome to all our new members!

GA Day

Entry to the FHC will be ½ price on GA Day. The FHC will be flying the Storch and the Thunderbolt. John Sessions will bring his B-25 and several other airplanes. There will be a grand opening of the Historic Flight Foundation museum on the west side of the field from 2 to 7 p.m.

We need more display aircraft – interested parties should contact Jim Fries at jrfries@comcast.net with their name and email address.

Les brought posters for members to distribute. The chapter webpage also has posters and more information. Schools will be getting fliers with information about GA Day. Lots of posters were passed out at the Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce meeting the previous night. Les is tying our publicity in with the FHC and EAA to get broader coverage. We will also have radio ads this year.

Les called for more volunteers to fill the remaining openings.

Old Business

Les announced that the final legislation in the State Legislature does not contain an aviation excise tax. The Washington Aviation Coalition has lobbied hard against the tax. At this delicate time, members are requested to **not** contact their representatives.

New Business

Les presented the motion from the Board of Directors which recommends we use \$500 of matching funds to set up a one time \$1000 flight training scholarship and create a committee to establish guidelines for awarding the scholarship. A motion to establish such a scholarship and committee passed.

At 8:50, an excellent program "Take Off and Landing Accidents and Why They Shouldn't Happen" was presented by Dave Wheeler.

Good of the Order

Jim Morgan announced the last Maintenance Seminar for the year to be held the following day, April 10. The topic is "Magnetos". Saturday, April 17th will be a Safety Stand Down with seminars at the Museum of Flight.

Shane Morgan announced that on the 17th, the Cascade Warbirds are having a marshalling seminar at Galvin on BFI.

The state WPA email system is currently not working.

Jan Kinnier announced the May 4th deadline for the May 7 dinner. Sign up for dinner at wpa.painedinner@hotmail.com. Jan will respond with a confirmation.