

WPA Board Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2010

Les Smith called the May 6th Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 6:40PM. In addition to Les, Dave Wheeler VP, Karen Reid Secretary, Greg Bell Treasurer, Jim Morgan 2008 Director, Dick Kinnier 2009 Director, Steve Waterman GA Day Chairman, Stephanie Allen Newsletter Editor, and Guest Rich Jones were present.

The minutes of the April 8th Meeting of the Board of Directors were approved with no corrections or additions.

Report of Officers-

- Greg Bell, Treasurer reported that we have a bit over \$10,000.00 in the bank, and all the bills are paid. Details upon request. Rich Jones moved, and Jim Morgan seconded the motion to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed.
- Les Smith President reported:
 - May has been proclaimed "Washington State GA Month" and showed the signed proclamation. He also invited the Governor to out GA Day with an opportunity to speak. The answer is forthcoming.
 - A breakthrough of sorts has been made by the FAA in their quest to curtail "Through the Fence Operations at Airports." The FAA looked over the operations at the Independence Oregon Airport (7S5) and said that they like what they see there in the co existence of the operation.
 - There is a lot of talk about leaded fuel and it's impact on the environment by several "save the earth" groups, and is being answered by several groups like GAMI of fuel injector fame. To that end, there are some new unleaded fuels on the horizon that could work in our planes and not have the high lead out put that we currently have.
- **Membership** is currently at 184
- **Newsletter** – Stephanie has the next edition almost ready to go and is waiting on going to press for GA Day pictures.

Committee Reports-

- Newsletter- Discussion was held regarding the appropriateness of allowing advertisements in the newsletter for non-profits. Groups must be approved by the board. Discussion to be continued as more information needs to be gathered before decisions can be made.
- GA Day- Steve Waterman chair: There was general discussion around power needs for the vendors, parking and t-shirts for volunteers. There will be signs and colored balloons posted to assist monitors in directing traffic.

Les shared that the PAE GA event is gaining interest at the national level. A clothing company and a pilot supply store based in Texas made contact with Les inquiring about participation in future years.

Discussion followed regarding communication for transient aircraft. Rick offered to post an update on the web page with pilot briefing information. CAP folks will help with transient parking.

Unfinished Business-

- Adult – Learn to Fly seminars will be presented at 9:30 and 1:30 during GA Day. Les will introduce each session and then turn it over to the local FBO for more information. Northway in the AM and Regal in the PM. To date, there are 34/50 slots filled for the Adult Learn to Fly Seminar. More tickets will be available at the WPA booth.
- Skykomish Work Party Planning-Volunteers are needed to help with this project. Paul Wolf will provide anti-moss chemicals for the clean up. The event is Saturday, June 5. There is no commercial lodging available. Folks need to camp or come prepared to sleep in campers, etc. There will be a potluck after the work party. Steaks will be provided and volunteers are asked to provide side dishes. RSVP is needed by May 26 please, to Les Smith at 425-493-0451.
- Scholarship Committee - Discussion was held around the need to form a committee to define parameters for the scholarship award of \$1000.00. WPA PAE will contribute \$500.00 and the remainder by available Aviation Academy funds. A preliminary committee of Dave Wheeler, Jim Morgan, and Karen Reid will work to develop the program guidelines and application procedures. The target is to have the program in place to award to a candidate for fall registration. Any aviation curriculum college student could be a candidate with a potential focus on Aviation Academy graduates. A call for more volunteers will go out at the Friday meeting on May 7.

New Business-

- July Meeting- There will be a hangar party on July 10 at NW Aviation Center in Arlington in conjunction with the Arlington Fly-In. A catered dinner will be available for around \$15.00 per person- hosted by Dave W. Guests are asked to bring their own drink. Music, to include a “pick-up” blues band, may be in order!
- The August meeting arrangements are pending due to the need for a volunteer coordinator. Les will ask for volunteers at the May 7 general meeting. It was suggested to have a movie night and show “Hot Shots”. The coordinator will need to locate a site, arrange for any potluck or swap meet activities. More details later. There was some discussion around the September meeting to include a Hangar Party. Again, a volunteer to coordinate the event is needed.
- Ratify expenditures for GA Day- It was moved by Dave Wheeler and a second was given by Jim Morgan to approve an expenditure not to exceed \$1,500.00 for the GA event to include a pizza dinner for volunteers on Wednesday, May 12; water for the volunteers on the day of the event- one bottle per volunteer; \$50.00 for donuts and juice for the pilot briefing room, and funds to purchase and print 200 t-shirts. The goal is to hand out 100 shirts and sell the remaining 100 in hopes of regaining the approximate \$1300.00 purchase price.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM