

WPA-PAE Board Meeting Minutes - 2 August, 2012

I. Call to order by President Steve Waterman at: 18:30

Officers, Directors, and others present as noted:

2012 Officers & Directors		Present	Present	Committee Members and Others Present	
President	Steve Waterman	x		Frank Hummel	Membership
Vice President	Vera Martinovich	x	x	Stephanie Allen	Newsletter Editor
Secretary	George Futas	x		Kevin Kelly	WPA Aviation Academy
Treasurer	Greg Bell			Jason Kloster	Safety & Education
2010 Director	Paul Arrington	x			
2011 Director	Shane Morgan	x			
2012 Director	Les Smith	x			
Past President	Dave Wheeler	x			

II. Agenda Review

III. Officers Reports

a. Secretary's Minutes for July 2012:

Motion to accept as submitted: Les S., seconder, Dave W., motion approved unanimously.

b. Treasurer Report:

Treasurer's report dated 2 Aug 2012 reviewed and accepted as presented.

c. President's report: Nothing to report now. Will highlight Oshkosh trip in newsletter.

IV. Committee Reports:

a. Membership- 2 new members – Chapter now at 205 active members

b. Newsletter- Outline for Sept. presented. Need details re Hangar Party and other newsletter input by 16th.

c. Legislative- Les S. was asked to represent AOPA in joint transportation committee meeting in Olympia regarding Search and Rescue in WA. USAF rep. from Tyndall USAF said WA is among the top 5 states for S&R capability. Discussion re ELT & flight plans and impact of S&R. Details to be written up for newsletter.

V. Unfinished business:

a. Movie Night Meeting – Newsletter covered subject.

b. Aviation Day Reimbursement – done – received check from KPAE.

c. Christmas Party- Vera M. coordinating – in process.

d. September Hangar Party – Russ Keys Hangar party – Caterer selection made.

VI. New Business:

a. Arlington Meeting Shortfall – Les S. motion Chapter fund \$300 toward shortfall expenses. George F. seconded. Approved.

b. Contacts and Ideas for Safety & Education- Need to provide contacts and subjects to Jason K. so he can coordinate and arrange activities. President Steve asked that board provide ideas & contacts to him for assembly and forwarding.

c. October and November Speakers – Discussion re nominations for officers, directors, and process. Publish process and ask for nominations via October newsletter. Les S. briefed board from chapter bylaws.

VII. Good of the order: Stephanie A. – Mukilteo Lighthouse formation flyover by WPA-Chapter and various aviation groups – Sept 8. Details to be in newsletter.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 19:20

Respectfully submitted
George Futas, Secretary

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Legislative Corner

September 2012

by Les Smith

Your comment requested

Earlier this year, EAA and AOPA jointly petitioned the FAA. The petition would, if successful, offer pilots the option of obtaining a 3rd class medical or instead, complete an education course on medical self-assessment and operate familiar aircraft recreationally, using their driver's license as a basis of their health. (The petition can be read here:

<http://www.aopa.org/advocacy/120319aopa-eaa-petition-for-exemption.pdf>

FAA held a comment period that ended on July 2nd, with over 14,000 comments, despite a comment period of only 20 days. EAA and AOPA requested an extension on July 5th, and on July 12th the FAA granted that request. Please consider adding your comments to the Docket. Add your voice to this effort. Click here for instructions:

<http://www.aopa.org/advocacy/120329tips-to-filing-comments-medical.html>

Joint Transportation Committee – Search and Rescue

Earlier this month, yours truly had the privilege of attending a working meeting convened by the State Joint Transportation Committee to study where Search and Rescue operations and funding should be positioned. Should it be in the Office of Emergency Management? Should it remain in the Aviation Division of the State Department of Transportation? Twenty one very knowledgeable people came to the table; several State legislators, Washington State Patrol, WASAR, WPA - even a representative from the US Air Force Rescue Coordination Center in Tyndall AFB, Florida. These are the folks at the national level that handle the emergency distress calls from our ELT's. One of the facts that emerged during the meeting is that 87% of all VFR flights are conducted without a flight plan. This makes SAR very difficult when flights don't go the way they were intended. It was clear that all parties would much rather have an unclosed flight plan that triggers a search be the result of forgot-to-close incident than to have a lost pilot who never filed a plan at all. Our input was well received by the Joint Committee staffers. After further research based on our input, another meeting will occur, likely in October. From this input the Transportation Committee will issue a decision. If you would like to share your thoughts on this issue, please contact me at paine-board2@wpaflys.org.

Enjoy the freedom of flight, and remember that your freedoms come from the actions of the citizenry!

**WPA – Paine Field Chapter
Treasurer’s Report
as of August 2nd, 2012**

Last month’s balance	<u>\$8,575.73</u>
Deposits	\$4,856.58
Check from Paine Field - PFAD expense reimbursement	\$4,856.58
Withdrawals	\$1,135.00
Cherokee Pilot’s Assoc. - tables/chairs - July meeting @ KAWO	\$100.00
Steve Waterman - PFAD expenses	\$35.00
Central Washington University - Kurt Mason Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Present Balance	<u>\$12,297.31</u>
Amount we owe State WPA	\$19.00