

WPA-PAE Board Meeting Minutes - 3 May, 2012

I. Call to order by President Steve Waterman at: 1835 at KPAE Fire Station

Officers, Directors, and others present/absent as noted:

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

II. Agenda Review – No additions

III. Officers Reports

- a. **Minutes for April 2012:** Presented by email. Motion to accept as submitted by: Shane M. seconded by Dave W.; Motion approved unanimously.
- b. **Treasurer Report:**
Greg B presented report dated 3 May 2012.
Treasurers report was accepted as presented.
- c. **President's report:** No Report

IV. Committee Reports:

- a. **Membership-** Frank H. was not present but Les S. gave his report which stated that membership was unchanged from the previous month and was at 198. Frank is communicating with three prospective members. Les made a suggestion that we go over the list of old members and start making phone calls to recruit past members who had not renewed. Les was to make such a list.
- b. **Newsletter-** Stephanie Allen asked that the June newsletter submission deadline be May 17th, The July newsletter deadline be June 20th and the August deadline be July 13th.
- c. **Legislative-** Les S. provided an update report (attached)
- d. **Scholarship-** Kevin K reports 8 Applicants. Selected 4 finalists- June 4 Interviews. Award during July Mtg.
- e. **Aviation Academy-** Kevin K: reports 36 students attending Aviation Academy. Discussion regarding. Graduation activity on Aviation Day 10 May – 9am.
- f. **Aviation Day** – Steve led discussion of Aviation Day schedule, activities, plans, and our chapter responsibilities. Board approved Karen Reed to be reimbursed for kids supplies purchased (approx \$500). Dave W. pointed out prior budgets had allocated \$1500 for Aviation Day. Discussion regarding other anticipated costs and reimbursements. Chapter hosting food for Thur. night orientation meeting for volunteers. Dave W. will be doing PA announcements during program. Stephanie reported 50 planes have registered for display.

V. Unfinished business:

- a. **Oregon Aero** – Stephanie is in discussion with them regarding joint event.
- b. **Fly-out Event** – Discussion regarding possible events for chapter fly-outs during summer.
- c. **Work party at Skykomish-** Need someone to coordinate with WA DOT.

VI. New Business:

- a. **July meeting** –Follows Arlington Airshow at Dave W's hanger.
- b. **Aug meeting** – Movie night at hangar on KPAE
- c. **Other meetings** – Briefing regarding expected meetings and speakers.

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VII. Good of the order:

- a. **Scholarship** – Kevin K. raised discussion regarding giving visibility to winner of scholarship and discussions with airport management regarding display.
- b. **Les S.** - State transportation dept. is holding discussions regarding where Search and Rescue should be located and related organization subjects.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 20:05 hrs.

Respectfully submitted
George Futas, Secretary

From: Les Smith [mailto:lesmithjr@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, May 03, 2012 3:57 PM

To: George Futas

Subject: legislative comments

George,

For your inclusion in the Board and General Meeting minutes:

Land use issues continue to be the number one concern facing General Aviation here in Washington. We are down to 135 public use airports, having lost four since late 2008. John Dobson, Immediate Past President of WPA, is Executive Director for the Port of Shelton, is chairing the Aviation Committee of the Washington Public Ports Commission. Their agenda currently includes the topic, but is stymied by recent court findings that have called into question the authority granted to the Growth Management Hearings Board by the Growth Management Act of 1990. These recent findings illustrate and confirm the contention that our state's land use laws do not have sufficient "teeth", if you will, to protect airports as Essential Public Facilities. Watch for more on this in upcoming WINGS state newsletters.

There are reports of the Department of Revenue contacting informal flying clubs, investigating the financial arrangements whereby there might be uncollected taxation opportunities. If you are a member of a flying club or group that has been contacted by the WA Department of Revenue, State President Dave Lucke would like to hear your story. Dave's contact info can be found on wpaflys.org under Contacts/State Officers If you have a background that would help in formulating a WPA position paper on this subject, Dave would also appreciate hearing from you.

Yours truly served as a representative for the WPA state-wide in a recent series of three Workshops organized by the Aviation Division of WSDOT, to provide stakeholder input to the decision process at the WSDOT level on a location decision for the Aviation Division offices. This is necessary as a result of Executive Order 1079, initiating a state-wide effort to reduce costs and utilize state-owned properties.

The workshops concluded on April 20th, with the group's list of considerations to be fed to the State Transportation Committee to be used in their decision.

President Waterman recently reported that pilots in Washington State have a new resource for demonstrating the critical contribution aviation makes to their communities, and beyond. According to the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Aviation Division's newly released [2012 Statewide Aviation Economic Impact Study](#), airport-related activity generated by the state's 135 public-use airports creates 248,500 jobs, provides \$15.3 billion in wages, and sets \$50.9 billion in total economic activity in motion. As pilots you are encouraged to familiarize yourselves with the report's findings, and share them. Educating decision makers about the value of general aviation is our best tool in advocating for sound aviation policies.

WPA – Paine Field Chapter
Treasurer's Report
May 3rd, 2012

Last month's balance	<u>\$13,824.00</u>
Deposits	\$1,582.00
April General Meeting Dinner Income	\$605.00
Aviation Academy Payments	\$912.00
Membership Renewal Dues	\$65.00
Withdrawals	\$837.86
Jackye's (Aviation Academy Shirts)	\$236.34
Shawn O'Donnell's - April Meeting Dinner	\$529.52
Aviation Academy NSF check reversal + \$12 NSF Fee	\$72.00
Present Balance	<u>\$14,568.14</u>
Amount we owe State WPA	\$19.00