

Those Present: Randy Utsey, Chuck Porter, Alex Becker, Todd Olds, Eric Roberts, Bob Thayer, John Wigney, Ken Larson – guest.

Meeting Place: Open Kitchen Restaurant

Finances: Alex Becker reported that the current balance as of 8.10.12 is \$13,883.27. We are expecting a check from the EAA HQ for \$1,345.00 from the Ford Tri-Motor event. The chapter is sending \$150.00 to the USO as a good will donation.

Electrical wiring and aircraft electrics seminar: Ken Larson outlined a proposal to invite Bob Nuckolls (AeroElectric Connection guru) to give a seminar on wiring and aircraft electrics. Ken has been in contact with Bob and his proposal is to hold a seminar with a get together on Friday night, an all-day Saturday session and 8 to noon session on Sunday. Bob's proposed fee for this is \$185.00 per head with no charge for travel or accommodation. Proposed location for meeting would be at the Gastonia hangar. Ken was encouraged to prepare a poster or similar to circulate details to chapter for feedback and interest. Target number for participants is 20. Board agreed to underwrite logistical support during the seminar such as meals, etc. if event proceeds.

Hangar: Eric Roberts will proceed with submitting a petition to Gastonia city to encourage them to proceed with a water supply to the airport. Eric will coordinate with Sam Stewart to prepare the draft. Randy Utsey will contact Bill Repucci regarding donation of mower for grass cutting round the hangar. Agreed that Eric Roberts would proceed with purchase of wooden picnic table for outdoor area. Agreed to move \$5,000 from the main chapter account to a separate internal account identified as "Hangar expansion". This idea is intended to ensure that funds continue to accumulate to complete this expansion for meeting room space, bathroom, etc. Alex will investigate possible CD for this money.

Dinner meetings:

August meeting presentation will be by OC Stonestreet - local historian.

Proposed that September meeting would either be at Bob Perkins' hangar at Long Island, topic = "Antique Airplanes" or a dinner meeting with Tad Sargent on "The RV aerobatic team". Randy will follow up with Tad/Bob.

Agreed that Eric Roberts would send promotional material to other local chapters for the planned Precision Airmotive dinner meeting in Oct. Chuck Porter to assist in promotion and poster?

Nov. dinner meeting. Eric Roberts advised that NASCAR pilot presentation probably not possible. Bob Thayer advised that Medical Center helicopter pilot would be a possible speaker. Bob T. will follow up.

Zodiac project: Bob Thayer advised that the Dynon has been bench tested in the panel and that miscellaneous items such as an altimeter and contactors were still needed. Bob was authorized to proceed with purchase.

Young Eagles: Next YE event will be at the EAA 309 fly-in at Lincoln County on 11.10.12.

Submitted by John Wigney, EAA 309 Secretary

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