

## Notes from EAA 309 Board meeting, 1.9.12

Those present, Randy Utsey, Chuck Porter, Alex Becker, John Wigney, Todd Olds, Bob Perkins, Bob Thayer, Perry Reed, Eric Roberts.

- Board member Michael Zeeveld is moving to Atlanta. Eric Roberts was approved as a replacement.
- Alex Becker was appointed as webmaster.

## Events

- Alex Becker agreed to call restaurants and coordinate with Eric Roberts who will act as Events Coordinator. Suggested possible events include, Jim Dugger - Cozy IV project visit, and IMAX (Alex to assist.) Perry Reed also suggested that he may be able to get an A10 pilot to give a talk.
- Eddie Shields will give a talk on maintenance at next dinner meeting at Captain's Galley, Matthews. JW will send out note to list and ask for questions for Eddie
- Noted that EAA HQ is having a Webinar on Wed evening, 1.11.12 to discuss introduction of new officers to chapter duties. If the live event is missed, the webinar is archived.
- Eric Roberts will outline schedule for the year and it was noted that we should emphasize events at the Gastonia hangar to generate more energy and involvement.
- Tentative event schedule includes :-
  - April 14, Gastonia. ? Pancake breakfast event.
  - June 9. Monroe Young Eagles.
  - Fly-out event. Alex and Eric to schedule. ? start at Gastonia.
  - Sept 5 to Sept 9. Triple Tree fly-in.
  - Oct 27 & 28. Concord Young Eagles.
  - Nov 10? Lincoln County fly-in and Young Eagles. Bob Thayer will ask A/P manager, Joe, for possible help on fuel costs
- Noted that we need to schedule more events at Gastonia hangar. Pancake breakfasts, etc. Also possibly change some monthly Monday dinner meetings to a Saturday event at hangar.

## Gastonia Hangar

- Inquiries have been made into possible water and sewer services to the hangar. Cost of connections to city services appear impractical due to cost of under the road connections, right of way easement issues, and high tap fees.
- Well and septic tank alternative. A proposal was requested for a 20 ft. wide x 60 ft deep building extension on the left side of the hangar from Crescent Metals. Total cost of this proposal came in at \$55,400 which includes a \$7,500 allowance for a well and septic tank system. Decided not to follow up at present on this idea but leave for the future.
- A 20 ft x 20 ft viewing deck upgrade for the hangar on the south side will be investigated. Design and material costs need to be developed.

## Finances

- Alex reported current balance is \$13,179. Unpaid commitments include :-
  - Hangar insurance - \$712
  - Property lease - \$540
  - Property taxes - \$390
  - EAA HQ Liability insurance - \$920

- A question was raised about property taxes for 501 c 3 tax exempt organizations. To be investigated.

#### Membership

- The chapter dues renewal reminder has been sent out.
- It was agreed that we should prune the list of names on the EAA 309 Google Discussion list to current members and names on the 2011 membership list. All meeting notices and newsletters are sent to this list and it has grown to about 140 names with many discontinued members. A note will be sent out to the old names on the list to advise the change.

#### Young Eagles

- Perry explained that improvement of procedures was necessary for our larger Young Eagle events. Recent events have run over and have overloaded the available pilots.
- Need early start.
- Avoid open ended timing. Need firm start and cutoff for flights.
- Need to fix and pre-register no. of flights.

Respectfully submitted by

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1.14.12