Shenandoah EAA Chapter 1031

Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of Shenandoah EAA Chapter 1031 was held in the Conference Room, Winchester Regional Airport, Winchester, VA on April 12, 2023 and called to order at 6 PM by John Munroe, President.

Mr. Munroe reported that the electronic aircraft scales have been received and he had brought one pad mount along with the display unit to the meeting for members to see. The scales will be kept in the Tool Crib and available for members use. A reimbursement check in the amount of \$300.00 is anticipated from the EAA. John also displayed a picture of his plane on the scales.

Juergen Nies, Treasurer, reported that as of March 31, 2023 the chapter had a balance of \$901.86 in the bank account and the chapter is on track with its annual budget. The checking account balance does not reflect a \$300 reimbursement check for the scales coming from the EAA and Juergen noted that there will be an expense of over \$400.00 for the purchase of chapter hats in the near future.

The Chapter has flown 9 Young Eagles flights to date and now has a \$90.00 credit balance with the EAA. Juergen reported that he will be applying for a reimbursement from the EAA for the printer that was purchased to assist in the check-in process at Young Eagle events.

John Munroe reported that Chapter 1031 has earned the Silver EAA Chapter Recognition award for 2022. The award was received based upon the chapter's achievement of 8 out of a possible 11 categories consistently found in active and highly engaged chapters.

Juergen Nies gave a presentation of his experience in Cadillac, Michigan this winter of flying with snow skis and landing in snow covered fields and frozen lakes. Juergen's presentation included videos and indepth explanations of his experiences in a 100 hp Bush Cat and a 150 hp Super Cub.

Items of interest:

The monthly Story Teller program provided by Handley Library will take place on April 14th at 10:30 at OKV.

Juergen Nies will be providing a STEM program in conjunction with Winchester Public Schools for young students on April 18th, 20th, 25th and 27th at 9:30 AM at OKV. Any chapter member that can be available to put their plane on static display at the terminal on any of these dates would be very welcome.

John Munroe showed a 6-minute EAA video regarding a Flight Testing Manuel that is being developed by EAA that could replace the traditional 40 hour initial testing flights for experimental aircraft. As proposed, the new manual would have a series of test maneuvers to be completed. Once the maneuvers are successfully completed the test requirements have been met, regardless of the number of hours flown. The FAA has not yet signed off on the Test Flight Manual.

The May chapter meeting will be held at Mac McLaurin's, 139 Mountain View Ln, Winchester, VA 22602. Mac is restoring a '46 Aeronca Champ.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Stan Kerns, Secretary