



EAA Chapter 122, Inc.
Monthly Gathering Minutes
November 19, 2019
Hangar 2 HQ, Capital City Airport (KCYX)

Jon Still (President) called the November Gathering and Annual Meeting to order at 7PM and thanked everyone for attending — in particular, those members who brought side dishes and desserts and those members who grilled hot dogs and hamburgers for the evening's dinner.

Members (32) included: David Beachy, Wade Becker, Laurence Benander, Dirk & Karen Berry, Craig & Micah Betts, AJ Bodoh, Dan Cassidy, Nixon Cawley, Ed Crouse, Paul Furst, Larry Forster, Jonah Graybill, Joe Hainey, Jim Haunstein, Lee Janik, Rick Lamb, Steve Larson, Wayne Laughner, Bob May, Brian Moore, Lou Nieves, Mike Parks, Jeff Probasco, Mitch Reisinger, Jay Rossignol, Brian Seltzer, Mike Spangler, Jon Still, Charlie Stoup, & Ed Womer.

Guests (9) included: Benjamin Betts, Seth Dunn, Mark Gingrich, Lisa Graybill, David Hoffman, James Kerwin, Arnold Offner, Jay Schwab, & Jeff Smith.

Jon Still (President) kicked off the evening by introducing Jeff Smith of the Harrisburg Civil Air Patrol, who gave a very useful presentation on "Cold Weather Aircrew Survival." Jeff also talked about CAP's mission, and provided a case study of an actual plane crash and the rescue sequence. His talk showcased the many things aircrew should consider when flying during winter months. Following Jeff's talk, Jon presented him with a Chapter mug for his efforts. Discussion then turned to the Annual Meeting agenda.

Ed Womer (Secretary) asked for any additions or corrections regarding the October Minutes, as posted on the chapter website (https://www.eaa122.org/MINUTES/Minutes_2019-10-15.pdf). A motion to approve was seconded and passed unanimously. Ed also reminded everyone present to sign the attendance sheet.

Mitch Reisinger (Treasurer) reported 74 current chapter members and an October account balance of \$6,815, with \$579 in income and \$218 in expenses.

Wade Becker (Vice President) announced dates for the 2020 'AIM for the SKY Initiative' fundraiser — a Sporting Clays Shoot at Central Penn Sporting Clays in Wellsville, on Thursday, June 4th. There will be both a morning and an afternoon session, which is expected to increase fundraising considerably. He encouraged Chapter Members to mark their calendars and volunteer, if available. Jon mentioned that AIM for the SKY would be sponsoring two campers to the Air Academy at Oshkosh in the Summer of 2020, as well as having plans to provide several monetary scholarships for area youth seeking vocational or academic education in the aviation field.

Brian Moore (Young Eagles Coordinator) reported that he sent emails to parents of all Young Eagles flown over the last three years, inviting them to apply for the Air Academy camp slots. Brian also brought up a request for YE pilots by the Reading EAA Chapter to support their "Christmas in the Air" Young Eagles Rally on Saturday, December 14th. Jon mentioned that our Chapter hosted ten Girl Scouts and their parents on Sunday, November 17th, for a presentation on aviation opportunities. The girls were able to use the flight simulator, visit the control tower, and sit in an airplane for photos. They are now in the cue for Young Eagles flights.

Next, Jim Haunstein (Ray Scholarship Coordinator) gave a Ray Scholarship status update, noting that the selection committee had selected Nixon Cawley as the recipient for this year's scholarship. Nixon will receive up to \$6000 to pay for the remainder of his private pilot training, to be complete within one year. He will also be required to provide approximately 2 hours over service per month to the Chapter. His instructor, Lou Nieves (Member), spoke briefly about Nixon and announced that Nixon completed his first solo on November 9th.

Mike Parks, the Chapter's long-time EAA Tri-Motor Air Tours Coordinator, spoke briefly about the recent visit in October, noting that despite adverse weather and the recent B-17 crash, the stop was an overall success and managed to raise \$2,330 in commission funds for the chapter. Those proceeds should be received in the coming weeks. Jon highlighted the outstanding support that the Chapter received from the Hilton Harrisburg (aircrew rooms), Enterprise (aircrew rental car), SARAA (waiver of landing fees), Skyport Aviation (hangar use and fuel discount), Lamar Advertising (4 electronic billboards), Members 1st Federal Credit Union (\$1,500 sponsorship), RKL LLC (\$1,500), and Martin's Olde Pastry Shoppe (\$1,000). Ed Womer, Volunteer Coordinator for the event, then thanked all the chapter volunteers whose efforts made it a success from an operational standpoint.

Jon brought up the Annual Holiday Party being held on December 13th at Marzoni's Brick Oven & Brewing Co. in Mechanicsburg, reminding everyone to use the SignUp Genius link to RSVP (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4AAFA82FA4FE3-annual1>). He also unveiled the Events Outlook for 2020, highlighting the year's presentation schedule, now posted on our Chapter website (<https://www.eaa122.org/2020events.htm>).

Discussion then turned to a review of 2019's Finances (income & expenditures), as well as a proposed 2020 budget. Jon requested a motion for budget approval, which was subsequently seconded and passed overwhelmingly.

Next up was the proposed change to the Chapter ByLaws for alignment with EAA National guidance. Jon summarized the proposed changes and there was some discussion. Jon then asked for a motion to approve, which was seconded and overwhelmingly approved. They are now posted on our website (https://www.eaa122.org/documents/EAA122%20ByLaws_2019%20Nov19.pdf).

Elections were up next, and the floor was opened for any nominations — there were none. The slate proposed by the current Board was presented: Bob May for Vice President, Doug Martin and Jay Rossignol for Board Members-At-Large. After a last call for nominations, each slated candidate was approved by the membership.

Before closing the evening's proceedings, Jon opened the floor for discussion topics. Paul Furst recommended that the Chapter consider hosting a "Pancake Fly-In" in 2020 as a Chapter fundraiser. Jon liked the idea, but asked Paul to put together an official proposal for the event, to include specific details of materials, volunteers, and supplies required, as well as an advertising plan. If the Board approves the plan, the proposal will be presented to the membership for approval at the next Business Meeting.

Wade Becker (Vice President) thanked Jon for all of his work during the last year for the Chapter, and everyone in the Chapter for all of their assistance with the things that have helped move the Chapter forward.

Jon then made a motion to make Jim Trygg the Chapter's first "Life Member" in recognition of all of his support over the years. The motion was seconded and passed overwhelmingly by the membership.

Finally, Jeff Probasco asked if there is a way the Chapter could do something to acknowledge all of the support that Skyport Aviation has provided to the Chapter. Jon thanked Jeff for his recommendation and pledged that the Board would consider it at their January meeting.

Jon apologized for the meeting running long and ended the meeting at 8:46PM.

The Chapter's next event will be the Annual Holiday Party on December 13th at Marzoni's Brick Oven & Brewing Co. in Mechanicsburg. For details, check our website at: <https://www.eaa122.org/>

Ed Womer,

Secretary