

EAA Chapter122 Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2012
Bermudian Valley Airpark

Following a bountiful meal of burgers, hot dogs, macaroni salad, baked beans, chips, homemade brownies, and homemade ice cream, provided by Activities Chair Charlie Thiemann.

The September meeting of EAA Chapter 122 was called to order by Vice President Jim Trygg at Bermudian Valley Airpark at 1902 hours with the following members present: Jim Trygg, Mike Parks, Paul Furst, Charles Thiemann, Dan Cassidy, Bob May, Tom Harry, Lee Geisler, Mike Spangler and Jerry Rosie.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published on the Chapter Web Site.

The Treasurers Report, presented by Vice President Trygg, showing a balance of \$12095.65, was approved without comment.

Committee Reports:

Tom Harry, Young Eagles Chair, announced that the Rally planned for 29 September will be postponed due to lack of pilots and lack of youngsters indicating an interest. Ways of advertising the next event were discussed and Tom indicated that Northern School District, when approached, would not post a flyer advertising the event, but would hand out flyers to each child if sufficient copies were provided. It was suggested that we target one class and assess the effectiveness. It was suggested that we also try to obtain an estimate of the number of youth who would want to participate, and a number of techniques were discussed to include: providing a written application as part of the announcement flyer, being present at the school at a designated time and date to accept personal applications, and having the kids apply via internet. No decision was reached but more discussions will take place prior to the next rally in the spring.

Charlie Thiemann, Activities Chair, opened a discussion of the types of activities that would most interest the membership indicating that there appears to be a wide range of interests represented – flying, building, fund raising and philanthropy to name a few, and that the membership was spread over a rather wide geographic area. During the discussion it was recommended that an advanced schedule of meetings, showing date, time, place and program to be presented, be made available to all members as an attempt to increase meeting attendance. A number of possible presenters and possible subjects for programs were suggested.

The Membership Chair, Lee Geisler, requested a list of members who have dropped out of the chapter with the idea of contacting them to invite them to rejoin the chapter. He also floated the idea of a Junior Membership, open to youth that do not meet the current age requirement for membership. This was discussed briefly and he will present a formal proposal at the next meeting.

Old Business:

Introducing old business, Vice President Trygg announced that the election of officers will be held at the November meeting. The Board of Directors is tasked to present a slate of nominees at the October meeting, which will be published by e-mail to all members, 30 days in advance of the vote in accordance with the chapter bylaws. Officers to be elected are President and Vice-President, as the incumbents were elected only to serve out the term of their predecessors; Secretary, to replace the current secretary who has tendered her resignation of the position; and one Director whose term is expiring.

Another matter of old business, a place to store Chapter property, was briefly discussed. The possibility of using space in the Carlisle Flight School hangar, or erecting a building similar to the building used by the *Keystone Flight*, or use of a used house trailer are being explored.

New Business:

Under new business, the Questionnaire, e-mailed to all members by Vice-President Trygg, was presented. A summary of the responses was given to each member present (and is attached to these minutes and is an official part thereof) and they were asked to study it in detail and be prepared to present their conclusions at the next meeting. Significant conclusions include: a vast majority of the members are interested in fly outs/fly ins as pilots or passengers; a preponderance of members are interested in holding fund raising events and would help in these activities; most members would prefer to meet at an airport; and most members attend meetings for the programs and for social interaction. Responses indicating reasons for non-attendance were inconclusive.

Vice President Trygg announced the Mid-Atlantic Soaring Association's Region IV soaring competition will be held 7 through 13 October this year. He invited all members to view this impressive event and provided directions to the launch site.

There being no further business to bring before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 2022 hours.

Minutes by Jerry Rosie – Thanks Jerry