

EAA Chapter 465 Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2020

This meeting was held at the Terminal Mezzanine at the Paso Robles Airport. Third meeting of the Year!

Meeting Called to Order - President, David Fretwell called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes – Ron Steinberger moved to accept the prior meeting minutes and Gordon Heinrich's gave the 2nd.

Attendees - 10 Active Members, 1 New Member, Charles Cole and 2 Young Eagle Members
Cecelia Hepburn & Talulah Frontera.

Treasurer Report – 42 Member on the books (5-Honorary Members and 2-inactive members). The chapter has \$1138.17 total in checking (\$220.00 in Scholarship fund, and \$918.17 in operational fund). 1-EAA Certified Young Eagle in 2020, 67-EAA Certified Young Eagle in 2019, and 141-EAA Certified Young Eagle in 2018. **To date we have Certified 209-EAA Young Eagles!**

Approval of Treasurer Report – Ralph Herman moved to accept the Treasurer Report and Marc Dart gave the 2nd. All present agreed.

Business Agenda Items:

- **New Chapter Ideas from EAA Boot Camp Feb 22, Sacramento** – Dave Fretwell, Dale Ramey and Angelia Hepburn came home with a lot of resources from the eight-hour jam packed EAA boot camp up in the executive airport in Sacramento. There were 61 EAA Boot Camp attendees from 20 Chapters. Dale was really surprised about all of the resources that the EAA makes available like insurance. He learned that we can use the EAA chapter insurance to cover our meetings. He also learned that if we just give them a radius, they will give us the addresses to all the national EAA members so we can send them all a letter which may help us grow our membership. Angelia learned that there has to be a strategic plan for your chapter and to stay positive. She also learned that there is a difference between meetings vs gatherings. Yet one of the most exciting things Angelia learned was that she could send her younger kids to the EAA's Air Academy Camp via applied scholarship. Dave learned that we can host an event, but we can't co-host with another nonprofit. Only one nonprofit can host each event. Dave realized that we cannot just depend on membership for funding we have to create a GoFundMe and do Fundraisers.
- **EAA Boot Camp 2021** – Dave Fretwell and Oshkosh, WI EAA chapter Field Representative, David Leiting talked about Paso Robles EAA Chapter 465 hosting next year's Boot Camp! Therefore, we voted to make an application to host a California State 2021 EAA Boot Camp for Chapter leaders. A number of our Board Members have attended the last two Boot Camps (i.e. Flabob in Southern CA, and Sacramento North Central CA), and have found them very useful, and are somewhat familiar with requirements for hosting Boot Camp events. We feel that a Paso Robles event would be an excellent location for a 2021 event for the following reasons: Location, Access, Experience in hosting aviation groups, Meeting Facilities, Other Amenities. **Gordon Heinrich moved to accept the motion and Angelia Hepburn 2nd.**
- **Rav Scholarship Awards for Young Eagles** – Dave shared with us that Bill could not be with us due to personal reasons, so Bill Siegel sent his announcement that the national EAA organization, The Ray Aviation Foundation has donated a number of **\$10,000 Scholarships** to be used by local youth for official flight training. **The local Paso Robles chapter 465 has been granted selection and administration responsibilities for one of these scholarships to be used during 2020.** EAA 465 staff will thus publish and disseminate the scholarship information and hold a selection process to recommend our candidate (with alternates) to the Ray Aviation Scholarship Committee for approval and funding. If this process is successful, local chapter 465 will administer the scholarship in accordance with Ray aviation rules and guidelines. Potential candidates should simply download and read the Ray Aviation Handbook for Official reference. On March 28 we will invite all Candidates to Paso Robles Airport Terminal Mezzanine for a briefing.
- **Request for Support for Matching Funds for EAA Young Eagles Scholarship Program** – Dave Fretwell emailed applicable parties for donations.
- **EAA Air Academy 2020** – Dave Fretwell shared with us Young Eagles Camp Session 1: June 15-19 & Session; 2 June 22-26 Fee \$960 go to <https://www.eaa.org/eaayouth/eaaviation-and-flight-summer-camps/eaair-academy/eaair-academy-young-eagles-camp> to apply. Need Financial Assistance? Apply for an EAA Air Academy Campership open from Jan3-Apr1,2020
- **Free Young Eagles Flight Event May 23** – As Young Eagles Pilot & Coordinator, Bill Siegel will be hosting the event. Bill will have members of the **EAA Chapter 465 provide a FREE FLIGHT** to introduce young people ages 8-17 to aviation at the Paso Robles Airport. A parent or legal guardian will be required to sign a permission form prior to the flight. After the flight, the Young Eagle will get a signed personal logbook and free access to Sporty's Learn to Fly Course (\$199 value), First Flight Lesson (\$120 value), Admission to 300+ Science and Technology Museums, Academy of Model Aeronautics Student Membership, electronic copy of EAA Sport Aviation monthly magazine, and access to valuable flight training awards, education scholarships, and Air Academy camperships. For more information contact: Bill Siegel at (305) 962-4027 or send an email to bugsluke@vahoo.com. There was discussion about including more displays and perhaps information tables for participants to look at while waiting for flights, and the event may also include Eagle/adultflights.
- **Bonanza Fly-In April 30-May3** – Marc Dart passed around a sign-up sheet for chapter member volunteers to participate and organize schedules for the selected daily events. Meet and greet at the Paso Robles Inn - Dinner \$50, Estrella Warbirds Museum - Lunch \$25, Halter Ranch \$25, Trip Hearst Castle \$25, and Eberly Winery Dinner & Tour \$85 and on Sunday to see them off at the Paso Robles Airport. Our Chapter 465 is providing, planning and supporting event. Contact Marc Dart or Dave Fretwell to volunteer and/or add sign ups!
- **Southern & Central California EAA Chapters Fly-In Oct 11** – This event continues the Chapter commitment to host fly-ins and this one will be centered at the Estrella Warbirds & Race Car Museum www.ewarbirds.org which has the highest tourism visit rate on the central coast after Hearst castle!! We can get 20/30 planes in here which includes lunch and a tour. It will be hosted by Paso Robles EAA Chapter 465 on Sunday Oct 11, 2020. Dave Fretwell has confirmed this one-day event and the basic arrangements with the Museum and Airport Manager. Registration fee \$30
- **Ultra-lite Maintenance Update** – Jonnie Via couldn't make it tonight so Dave Fretwell filled in for him. Dave let us know that it's a complete Legal Eagle that goes 60 miles per hour. Send Jonnie Via an email at Johnnies1954@gmail.com if you want to take a look at it.
- **Cloud Clippers Update** – Ron Steinberger informed us that he will be available the middle of April, and **All EAA Adult and Youth Members are invited to come to their flying field.** They will have a trainer/ buddy box set up if you would like to give it a try, also a wide variety of airplanes ready to fly. To schedule a group event and or if you have any questions please give Ron Steinberger a call at (805) 674-5749 or email RESteinberger782@gmail.com The Club also has a model kit available and may be willing to work with some of our Young Eagles and their parents to get it built and flying!!! (Note: Dress Warm)
- **Eagle and Flying Start Program** – Dave Fretwell informed us that the EAA's Flying Start program allows EAA chapters to welcome and encourage new aviation enthusiasts to the fun, freedom, and accessibility of personal aviation. **The goal of the Flying Start Program is to provide interested adults a pathway to flight training and involvement with their local EAA chapter 465.** Plus, Chapters that host a Flying Start event on EAA Learn to Fly Day – or anytime during the month of May – using the soon-to-be-release online registration will receive **two free weekly passes** for EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2020! Dave has confirmed that we will include the Flying Start Program.
- **Submit Photos of Members Planes** – Dave Fretwell requested Photos of members planes for website. Marc Dart (E10 Bonanza), Charles Cole (Odyssey/LSA), Ron Steinberger (Cloud Clipper Planes), Dale Ramsey (58 Piper Paer & Cozy), Jim Ellis (Cherokee...), Jeff Bat (E6 & RV), Ralph Herman (C45 & 172 & Colt...), Gordon Heinrich (Youth Civil), Tom Troxel (Kendall's Warrior), Angelia Hepburn (Bill Siegel's Saratoga).
- **COVID 19 Virus** – Dave Fretwell acknowledged the COVID 19 Virus and stated that event dates and times may have to be postponed and/or canceled depending on the extent and outcome of the virus!

Program:

- **Introduction to our new VMC Club and Fly-Outs** – Marc Dart introduced our new VMC Club and chairman, Dave Fretwell, Bill Siegel, Kendall Pearson - CFI Licensed, Mark Scarbrough, Tom Troxel, Darrell Radford, and Tony Gaspar. He shared his Catalina and Vectoring story and informed us about the second VMC meetin which will be Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 6pm.
- **Presentation about Engine Failure** – Bill Siegel could not make it tonight, so he had to postpone presentation till next meeting!

Meeting Adjourned – Ralph Herman moved to adjourn meeting and Angelia Hepburn gave the 2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.