

President's Message - September 2023

EAA 533 Members.

Sunday, October 1, is our last fly-in breakfast. I hope to see everybody there. To all badge holders please keep track of the expiration date and come to the meeting before to take care of the paperwork. Hope to see you around the hangar.

Thank you, Brian Jones.

EAA 533 Board of Directors Meeting - September 6, 2023

Attending: David Baker, Mike Depue, John & Sharon Flanagan, Brian Jones, Stephen Thomas, Dick Welles

Excused: Kevin Hooey, David Javarey

Guests: Andy Diffenderfer & friend, Bob Hansen, Jim Robbins

Meeting called to order at 6:08 PM by President Brian Jones. Stephen Thomas read the minutes of the previous meeting. Upon the motion of David Baker, second by Mike Depue, and vote, the minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report:

(John Flanagan)

Checking Account: \$18,326.13 CD: \$16,426.41 **Total:** \$34,752.54

Dick Welles asked for clarification on the CD balance, as a lesser amount was reported this month compared to last month's balance. John Flanagan has not yet received the latest statement from Community Bank for the CD. He will verify amounts when the statement comes in. Upon the motion of Stephen Thomas, second by Dick Welles, and vote, the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

New Members/Badge Requests:

Brian Jones asked for clarification on the Family Membership class in EAA 533. What is the cut-off age when membership moves from Family Member to Individual Member? Sharon Flanagan will check the By-Laws. Jim Robbins said his badge is up for renewal. Justin McMaster's badge is up for renewal. Member Bob Hansen, who is working with Kevin Hooey's B-25 crew, is requesting a hangar badge. Stephen Thomas made a motion to approve Bob Hansen for a hangar badge, Mike Depue seconded, and upon vote, the motion carried.

Cessna 140 status: Dick Welles flew the plane with Jim Robbins. During that flight, the vertical card compass was not indicating headings correctly.

J-3 Cub status: The fuel consumption of the engine has increased.

Newsletter/Website: Mike Depue is leaving the area. Mike has been the Newsletter Editor. He also was working on updating the EAA 533 website. Members Andy Diffenderfer and Bob Hansen have offered to take over from Mike. Bob has volunteered to handle the website. Andy is willing to be the Newsletter Editor. Mike will work with them.

2023 Events:

The annual Spaghetti Dinner will be Saturday, November 4. The final fly-in breakfast will be Sunday October 1.

Other Business:

Discussion on welding in the hangar. Stephen Thomas reported that there is an NFPA 409 standard that addresses this. The northeast corner of the hangar could be used, if the Cub is pushed outside. Curtains could be set up to catch sparks. Andy Diffenderfer has curtains. This is an issue for the Hangar Committee, which will draft procedures and present them at the next meeting.

Brian Jones announced that there needs to be a policy for parking trailers and campers in the parking lot. Different time frames were suggested. Brian stated that the policy needs to be the same for all members. Andy Diffenderfer asked about putting a 7'X16' enclosed trailer in the parking lot temporarily to hold materials for his project in the hangar. Andy's request is a Hangar Committee issue. Stephen Thomas asked if he should explore putting a shipping container behind the hangar inside the fence, with the Airport. Dick Welles made a motion to have Stephen contact the Airport about a shipping container, Mike Depue seconded, and upon vote, motion carried. Sharon Flanagan announced that Board elections are coming up.

Terms are expiring for: Brian Jones, Kevin Hooey, Dick Welles. In addition, Mike Depue has one year left in his term, and will need replacing. Stephen Thomas agreed to head the Nominating Committee. Both Brian Jones and Dick Welles told Stephen they are willing to run. Dick Welles said his son, Thomas Welles, will be the speaker at the Spaghetti Dinner, presenting on aircraft corrosion.

Sharon Flanagan presented a letter from member Jon Meigs. Jon's current circumstances will not allow him to continue as Young Eagles Coordinator. His letter is made part of the minutes.

There being no further business, upon motion of Mike Depue, second by Stephen Thomas, and vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Flanagan, Secretary

Movie Night following: Cloud Dancer

Hangar Tenant Agreement and Semiannual Aircraft Review Checklist as well as the hangar procedures document are available on the website: www.eaa533.org

Chapter email address to contact board: EAAChapter533@gmail.com

Any EAA 533 members interested in bringing projects into the hangar should contact the hangar committee with space requirements and requests. (John Flanagan, Brian Jones and Kevin Hooey are the current committee).

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Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday Oct 4, 2023 beginning at 6:00 PM.

To submit personal project updates and photos, or any other relevant information you would like to see in this newsletter, please send to Andy Diffenderfer.

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