

EAA Chapter 143 Meeting Notes

August 3, 2024

Community Hangar @ W48

Meeting commenced: 10:00 am

Number of attendees: 15

Announcement of meeting days and times changed to the first Saturday of the month at 10:00 am, temporarily to be held in the Community Hangar at W48, until the FBO renovations are completed.

Finances: Kevin reported there is about \$300 in the chapter bank account. Annual dues are rolling around the corner, \$20 per member for the year, with \$40 first year dues.

There were two new guests at the meeting.

Nominations are open for EAA officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. Ron has volunteered to step down from the presidency and take the Treasurer position. He also stated that he will remain the Resident Agent of the Chapter.

Announcement that the decision to grant an honorary EAA membership to Joe Eiben, as allowed under the Chapter Charter.

Webpage - Is still up, in need of improvements, very difficult to program, but is steadily getting there. Currently ironing out an issue with getting photos to properly display.

The A-Plane built project - Tailfeathers are built, one of two ailerons is sub-par and needs to be rebuilt. The Saturday build project gathering is temporarily put on hold for further chapter involvement.

Wings & Wheels event -

- October 26th is the date. CAP is aware of the need to assist, and has yet to respond. Contact for CAP is Capt. Rose Driftmyer and we will hear shortly about their commitment.
- MAA will be present at W48 for the event.
- Discussions
 - getting food / dessert trucks to the event

- What can the chapter do to keep youths engaged and involved
 - Pedal plane build - Ron committed to funding the build for the first of at least two pedal planes, to use the plans to create templates for multiple builds. The estimated cost to build the first kit is about \$400, then between \$100-\$200 for subsequent clones
 - Kevin suggested using repurposed hardware for pedal planes to hold the costs down
- Volunteers for the Chapter booth needed
- Raffles discussed for building up Chapter funds.
- We cannot host a Young Eagles event at Wings & Wheels because of conflicts disallowed by EAA
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Fundraising -

- Pedal plane sales
- Raffle Tickets

Ron Lane reiterated the benefits of getting flight simulator training, which statistically reduces a student's learning time by an average of 5.5 hours.

Discussion about whether breakfast will be served for chapter members at the chapter gatherings (meals have had a requested \$5 donation in the past). No firm resolution, so for now it will probably remain BYOB (bring your own breakfast).

Meeting adjourned at 11:15am.