

EAA Chapter 1610 Minutes of Meeting 2/11/23

Meeting called to order by Vice President Trudi Amundson

Treasurer's report Mark Bearss

Checking balance 1/1/23 was 5730.97. Checking balance 1/31/23 was 5741.88 Financial report was moved seconded and accepted. Expenses were mostly holiday party costs and income was income from holiday party and incoming dues. See FinancialsJan23 for detail attached 32 active members on roster 3 have not paid 2023 dues and have been moved to inactive status pending dues payment.

Secretary's report Mike Petersen

IRS Address change and 501c3 refiling Still waiting for IRS confirm address change. Whatever happens we will file again before the Brat Sale so our status can be 501c3 pending.

Report on Ray Scholarship 2022 and 2023 Mark Crist was not in attendance but filed this report. Mr. Selisker is still trying to arrange his check ride. He has until the end of April to complete this. It was questioned why he cannot get this done and several members indicated it is very difficult to schedule due to lack of examiners. Mark will continue to pressure him. Also, Mark is almost done with application for 2023 and will be filed before the deadline.

Report on financial comparisons of other chapters. Mark Bearss When we decided last month to do a \$1000 scholarship for Brainerd students, the question arose as to whether we are financially healthy enough and what financial position is healthy for a chapter our size. Mark crafted a spreadsheet of comparisons of chapter financial health with other chapters. While many large chapters have far more resources, we seem just about right by comparison with others our size. If you would like a copy of the comparison spreadsheet, please contact Mark Bearss.

Brainerd High School scholarship Where do we go from here? It was decided to ask Mark Crist if he would spearhead getting this effort in place. Trudi will contact him to discuss.

Update on electronic payment of dues Mark Bearss Mark reviewed the simplest option, using your banks bill pay. This prompted discussion on several other electronic methods. Mostly we would like to offer it without cost to members or the chapter. Many other options charge fees. Mark will run a test on bill pay to our account and report back at the next meeting.

Holiday party was deemed a success and enjoyed by all attending.

Brat Sale It was suggested that we move the brat sale to July 4 weekend in order to maximize traffic and profits. After much discussion it was almost unanimous that it be left where it is on the Memorial Day weekend. For the most part it was felt that it would be very difficult to staff it fully on the July 4 weekend and with the 4th on Tuesday made it even more difficult. Further discussion centered around having a stand at the Hardware store and at Reeds. There was a concern raised that it may be difficult to staff both places. Further discussion to come.

Young Eagles/Eagles Discussion about whether to change dates to dovetail in with EAA's new "Flying Start" learn to fly program which kicks off on May 20 (our Young Eagles day) Generally decided that particularly since we already have a couple of Young Eagles signed up for the 20th it was not good to change. If we want to do a "Flying Start" learn to fly program in conjunction with the Eagles flights on June 3 that can be discussed further at the next meeting.

Not on the agenda but very important is the coming change of fuels to eliminate 100 Low lead. We will try to line up a speaker from Av Fuel for this summer to lead us through it.

Regular meeting for April 8 rescheduled to April 15 due to Easter Weekend.

Becky reported that Pine River will be having an open house on July 8 and has asked us to attend and represent the chapter. We have a regular meeting that morning and the open house is at noon. It has been added to the calendar.

We were asked once again to do a Young Eagles event at Breezy Point during the fly in. As before we do not think this is a safe venue to do Young Eagles. Cliff at Breezy is asking the new Little Falls chapter to do it but we do not yet know the results. It was decided to offer Breezy Point their own Young Eagles day on September 16. We have added it to calendar pending Breezy Point's approval.

NOTE: THIS CALENDAR HAS BEEN CHANGED, PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY

Calendar of events

March 11 Regular Monthly meeting

April 15 Regular Monthly meeting Presentation Dr. Walt Roberts Medical Issues

May 6, 2023 Breezy Point Fly-in-Sign up tent for Young Eagles and Eagle flights in May and June

May 13 Regular chapter meeting Regular Monthly meeting Presentation - "Future of Electric Aircraft" Mr. Roderick Zastro, Director of Bye Aerospace www.ByeAerospace.com

May 20, 2023 Young Eagles Event Brainerd Airport

May 27-28, 2023 Brat sale fundraiser at Crosslake Ace Hardware

June 3, 2023 Eagle Flights for adults Brainerd Airport

June 10 Regular chapter meeting CPR/Defibrillation training (tentative)

July 8 Regular chapter meeting

July 8 Pine River open house. NOON

July 19, 2023 Hangar party at Hangar 60 Brainerd Airport

August 12 Regular chapter meeting

September 9, 2023 Poker Run No regular meeting

September 16 Young Eagles at Breezy Point

Trudi Presented Wings seminar "Take Offs and Landings" Was very informative and somewhat spirited discussion. Thank you Trudi!!

No 50/50 drawing this month, will return next month.

Adjournment