

Chapter 18 Minutes from the February “2024” Meeting

The February meeting was called to order by President Thaddeus Pinkoski at 7:30 PM at Crites Field in Waukesha. Guests were asked to introduce themselves and 4 people did so.

Announcements: The program for March will be a presentation by Waukesha airport manager, Kurt Stanich. The April program will be a presentation by Chris Henry from the EAA museum. Hosts are needed for the upcoming project patrol. We were unable to secure funding for a Ray Aviation Scholarship candidate at this time. Candidates were advised to apply through AOPA.

Ray Aviation: Our current candidate, Jonah Fayen reports not much flying in February due to weather and the plane being down for inspection. He’s doing lots of ground work with his instructor. He also reported helping at the Young Eagle event in January at Waukesha.

Young Eagles: Cindy Robinson reported on winning the “best chili” award at the Janboree at Waukesha in January. This is the second time she has won this prestigious award. The next Young Eagle event is scheduled for June and will take place at Timmerman Field.

Building: Jeff Wisneski reported that he is still working on the electrical system for his Zenith 750 Super Duty. Most wiring is done and many of the panels now light up with no smoke. Ryan Koenke reports that he is doing research on the electrical system for his Bear Hawk. The delivery of his IO-540 has been delayed. Mark Reese has started working on the tail kit for his RV-14. John Nate reports that he has the inboard and outboard ends of the left wing on his Defiant completed. He is also constructing a “wing sling” to make work on the wings easier. Fred Keip reports that he continues to work on the restoring of the original Wag-A-Bond Sport Trainer. Painting is completed and he is now installing the fuel system. Andrew Myschok reports that he is doing inventory of parts that need to be replaced or repaired on his “79” 140. The project needs new registration and the wings need to be recovered.

Flying: Jeff Romuald reported on flying to Oshkosh to visit his son Matt. It was there that Jeff got a flat tire and was unable to find a repair locally. Matt has now completed his commercial multi engine certificate. And is working towards his CFI rating. Jeff also plans to fly to Texas to view the total eclipse of the sun in April. Jeff and his wife also flew down to Missouri to view an airpark near Bronson. Tim Meyer reports that he is working on his instrument rating.

At this time, break was taken and then followed by the evening program. It was presented by Chris Esselstyn and it detailed his many flights out west in his self-launching glider. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved. The treasurer report was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)