1/14/2025

Attendees

Randy David, President Marv Scott, Vice President David Schluttenhofer, Treasurer Brice Johnson, Secretary Joe Andre Smitty Smith Ken Finney Mark Slevin

Subject: Chapter 326 quarterly board meeting minutes

Meeting started at 5:06pm

Treasury Report from David S.

- A summary sheet of the year of 2024 was passed around to the attendees
- Treasurers report is available upon request to all chapter members
- A 12 month CD will mature in May and we will need to decide whether to re-invest or cash out.
- Taxes (990-N Filing) we may need to fill out the long form instead of the post card form
 - David S. will check with Patty(?) at National EAA
- Can we get a \$300 reimbursement from National for the prop balanced costs?

Young Eagles Discussion

- YE credits from 2023: \$1,230 available, \$1171 spent
 - o 11" IPAD with 256 GB memory, keyboard, pen, bag, safety cones and vests
 - o Reimbursement submitted to national and received into chapter account
- Decided on Saturday, June 28th for this year's young eagles event
- New Young Eagles Website can be accessed through EAAChapters.org
- Add David S. to the YE coordinator list for website access

Meeting Site while Pierce County building in being remodeled

- Likely that February's meeting will still be at the airport building
 - Contractors were inspecting for bids about a week ago
- Otherwise will look to meet at Clover Park
- Kevin Behrent has offered his hangar for the monthly meetings
- Ask Clover Park first

Christmas Party Report-out

- Only about 16 people attended, much less than previous years
- There was plenty of meet with two turkeys and two hams, and desert, but no sides
- There was a discussion on whether to have it again this year, or if there is not enough support
- It was suggested that next year there be RSVP's for those planning to attend

- Later that evening at the chapter meeting, this was agreed to as well
- Decided to make a final decision in the fall

Aviation Conference 2024

- Last year's event was not well supported by chapter members
- Relied on the same few members to man the booth
- If not offered a booth, purchasing space would be about \$600
- It was felt that the chapter might not be given a free booth space this year
- There was a discussion on who will organize and staff the booth if offered space this year
 Will there be support from the membership?
- Marv mentioned that we could team with Bremerton and Crest chapters 441 and 26 for a single booth
- We could ask Geroge Steed who spoke at our last meeting, and is from Bremerton, if they wanted to team together for an EAA booth
- Later at the chapter meeting Randy asked for a volunteer to plan the conference event
 - \circ No one stepped up
 - Randy asked anyone interested to contact him
- Discussed not having a booth this year, which had broad support if no one stepped forward to lead the effort

Burger Burn

- Date picked for Aug 10th
- Suggested starting later at 2 instead of 12 to allow for morning conflicts to be less of an issued

Membership

- There were 65 paying chapter members last year
- Reminded all to pay their chapter dues for this year
 - An email reminder was also sent to all members on 1/9/25
- Note from later chapter meeting:
 - Attendance was higher than any meeting in a long time (approximately 25)
 - Three visitors looking to join

Tool Crib Update

- The prop balanced was updated for the latest version and is available for use
 - The old prop balancer was returned for \$1000 credit
- Joe replaced the battery charger used with the electronic scales which are now fully operational

Open Topics

- Plan for runway replacement the summer of 2026 for 3 to 4 months
 - Width will increase to 75', length to 4,000' and have increased load capacity
- The wind Tetrahedrane LED lights are out of service

- \circ $\;$ The chapter refurbished it and the discussion was that we should fix the system
- It was suggested that the chapter update the lighting when the runway is being refurbished in 2026
- Officer elections are planned for this year
 - Randy, Marv, and Dave offered to stay on, but there will be need for a new secretary since Brice has moved out of the area
- Marv suggested that if Emerald Ridge HS cuts back on their aviation program, that the chapter look into getting donations of some of their equipment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm

Brice Johnson

Secretary