



EAA Chapter 595 January 13th, 2024

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Minutes / Meeting of EAA Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley

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Meeting was called to order at 11:03 am by Chapter President Byron Engle who announced that the Chapter was solvent as of this date.

The members present were:

Byron Engle	Don Tevis	Jerry Gifford
L.V. Howell	Art Chavarria	Shirlene Jenkins
Merle Jenkins	Carol Heiser	Bob Heiser
Robert Carter		

Guests present were:

Daryl Miller	Maddox Garza
Paul Estrada	Josiah Estrada
Santiago A. Gomez	Anna Gomez

At this time, the annual awards were given to the officers. They were:

Jerry Gifford-Vice President and Membership Coordinator

Arthur Chavarria-Secretary and Newsletter Editor

Robert Carter-Web Editor

Merle Jenkins-Technical Counselor

Another Technical Counselor award was given posthumously to the widow of John Peacock, who passed away in November, Larry Wheelock-Technical Counselor (will be awarded either by mail or if he returns to the Valley later).

For the benefit of our guests, Byron asked for each one of us to introduce ourselves, which we did.

After each one of us said something about our experience in aviation, Byron continued many of the ways to either own or rent or build a personal aircraft. Many of the members in attendance voiced their experiences about aircraft ownership for the benefit of the guests in attendance as well as encouragement towards learning to fly.

Byron also showed a pamphlet from EAA called "Flying Start/Program Handbook", which gives several things chapters can do to help boost membership, different activities chapters can do to expand the chapter's involvement in the general community. More will be discussed at a future meeting.

Byron then ran 2 VMC videos for the education of the members present, which are always interesting, educational and informative.

At this time, Byron asked the membership for a favor: because of a homeowner's annual meeting scheduled on the 10th of February (which is our usual meeting date), he asked the membership if it would be ok to move the meeting date back 1 week to February 3, but only for this one time. The membership moved & seconded, so the motion carried. Our February meeting will be at the Edinburg Airport Terminal building, February 3, at 11 am.

After that, the membership voted to have lunch at Reyna's BBQ in Weslaco.

Arthur Chavarria, Secretary