

EAA Chapter 42

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

December 4th, 2024

- 1) Call to Order at 1911 Local
- 2) Attendees: Noah Joraanstad, Chris Gill, Randi Lucas, Walter Yankauskas, Chuck Hosack, Ed White, Lars Gleitsmann, Jim Moss, Mark Frischkorn
- 3) Presidents report
 - No meeting this month
 - Presented George Dorman's obituary. The obituary is available here: <https://adportal.adn.com/adportal/listingView.html?id=8176>
The celebration of life will be at the Alaska Aviation Museum on Jan 10th.
 - Scott is in Denver this month
 - We have some chapter awards stacking up that we need to get handed out to the various members at upcoming meetings.
 - We need to renew the Chapter Charter and pay for insurance. Scott volunteered to do this, but Ed noted that if we need to pay for something then the treasurer should be involved. Ed and Scott need to coordinate to get this done.
 - Future meetings: A lively discussion on this ensued, which is described below in the "Future Meetings" section.
 - The board acknowledged Chuck's airplane donation with a letter that was presented to him.
- 4) VP Report:
 - The vice president was out sick and did not attend this month.
- 5) Secretary's Report
 - The secretary returned to attendance, but had nothing new to report.
- 6) Treasurer's Report
 - We have \$49,492 in assets. \$40,000 will be deposited in a 1-year CD, and \$5,000 will be deposited in a 6-month CD. \$1,000 will be transferred from PayPal.
 - Upcoming expenses: It will cost \$500 to renew the chapter. We expect an I-pad will cost about \$800, and we still need a printer.
 - Ed moved to allow Chris to buy the I-pad and printer at his discretion. Chuck seconded and the motion passed.
 - Chuck pointed out with our expenses exceed our income from dues and we're going to have to address this in the near future.
- 7) Government Affairs Report
 - No government affairs update this month.
- 8) Past Events
 - Chuck presented the mostly restored Norseman and a few other airplane parts at the Aviation Museum.
 - We also had a presentation on the casino that is planned to be built near the Birchwood Airport. More information is available here: <https://eklutna-nsn.gov/economic-development/> and here: <https://www.alaskasnewsresource.com/2024/10/22/birchwood-residents-torn-over-potential-new-gaming-hall-development-by-eklutna-tribe/>
- 9) Future Meetings
 - January 28th – Greg Miller Glasair III in Birchwood
 - No December meeting as is tradition.

- Future possibilities
 - a) Tom Lawhorn's Merrill Hangar, formerly Dick Reeve's hangar
 - b) Anson's Javron Cub
 - c) Mark's Kitfox
 - d) NEW - Vicki and Dan Domke Hanger at Merrill
 - e) Rob Smart's Hangar, 1 mile west of Bernie, full of popcorn and airplane stuff
 - f) Tower visit to Merrill in the spring when there is evening light and warm weather. Need to see if Merrill can do a presentation on airport operations.
 - g) FAAST Presentation offered by Jim Moss
 - h) Commemorative Air Force tour at the Wings of Freedom Hangar.
 - i) Movie night with old time videos from the UAF library
 - j) August visit to Paul Ruppel's Carbon Cub.
- Ed noted we should have skills learning at some meetings to attract more folks. Mark agreed with this. Lars pointed out there is so much aviation stuff going on in Alaska that most folks don't feel the need to come to EAA for such things.
- Chris likes to see projects in progress.
- Lars mentioned that we should have some seminars that cover topics that include broader topics than just aviation that aren't available anywhere else. For instance, we could have a seminar on fuel quality in Alaska. Rande noted that if we have seminars like that, we should charge a small fee for non-EAA members to help cover costs.

10) Scholarship – The board (previously) voted unanimously to provide an annual \$1,500 to the Alaska Airmens Association for aviation scholarships. Alaska Airmens Association will match our funds for a total \$3,000 scholarship for any aviation education endeavor. We can make the donation in December or January. No change. Ed suggested members could contribute additional funds to this endeavor.

11) Merrill Field Open House:

- We are looking into participation opportunities for this.

12) Noah gave a presentation on his rocket launching and drone building endeavors, that lasted well beyond the meeting adjournment. Chris will work with Noah for a presentation of these activities to the full chapter at a later date.

13) Meeting was adjourned at 2008 local time.