

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 119

Board Meeting

1/13/2024 Minutes

9:00 am - 10:30

Meeting Called to order by Tom Hail at 9:11am

Members Present: Tom Hail, Jacob Boracca, Tracy Laws, Ken Locke-Paddon, Alan Grantz, Robert Schmid, Christopher Laws, Barry Porter (and Phylis)

1. Tracy moved to approve the Agenda. Alan seconded the motion. Agenda was approved
2. Tracy moved to approve the Minutes from 10/14/23. Tom seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.
3. Tom reported that the chapter is good and there are new planes in the group.
4. Treasurer Report
 - a. Bank Account Balances
 - i. Savings \$10,584.31
 - Checking \$1,187.69
 - PayPal \$140.00
 - b. Current Bills
 - i. PG&E \$192.89/197.55/195.06
 - c. Discussion was had about how to invest our savings to make more money. Tracy mentioned opening a CD at the bank. The consensus was that the return was not great enough for the effort. Tom will talk to his son-in-law who is a financial advisor/planner.
5. Membership
 - a. Current Membership on OurChapter shows 118 members. An update request as well as dues reminder will be sent out soon.
 - b. New Members is Eric Miller
6. Young Eagles
 - a. The last rally was canceled even though it was flyable. We have some new pilots. We purchased new pagers to use at the rally. We should have a training session for volunteers before the next rally.
 - b. Field trips will be starting in the Spring. We do not have dates yet. But the wind tunnel is working.

7. Website/Social Media: We had a good discussion and the questions were asked “What is the content? To whom are we trying to reach?” A survey would be interesting to see who in the group actually uses social media. The thought is that there needs to be activity on the socials to be relative or noticed.

8. Presenter/Speaker Coordinator (this section was skipped and moved to new business)

9. Old Business

a. Outdoor signs, Hangar Floor, Tool Room - Project Managers

- i. Outdoor signs update. The city is going to be taking care of the trees in the front that are blocking the signs. They also offered to help take down the signs so they can be updated and cleaned. We will talk with Mitch about his help and expertise with the signs.
- ii. Hangar Floor: It was decided that the floor can not be painted in the winter. Instead we will get a scrubber and give it a thorough cleaning.
- iii. Tool Room and Workshop area will be worked on before the RV 12 project moves in. We will have a cleaning January 26, 27, 28. We will put this in the newsletter and get people to sign up.

b. RV 12

- i. The build project needs a table. The table needs to be moveable. Jacob B. will work on building the necessary tables.
- ii. With the situation with Van's how will that affect the 12 build? The plan is still to put it together and sell it. The plan is to move forward as an ELSA. There was worry that we would need a Vans part for the wiring. Jacob B said that the part should have come with the wing kit.
- iii. If the build gets talked about on social media it will do a lot for creating buzz and excitement when it is time to sell.
- iv. The plan is to do regular build days every week (Sundays 12-5?). We will also put it out to Young Eagles to include them in the building.
- v. Independence OR chapter (292?) is very knowledgeable with building and selling planes. It would be worthwhile to reach out to them for advice on the 12 build and future sale.

10. New Business

a. Plan for the Year

- i. We looked over the plan for gatherings for the year. Some would like to hear other members' stories. The fact that drones have overtaken MBA was discussed and the topic of drones would be good to have.

- b. Flying Start: Jacob B asked if we were going to hold a flying start activity this year. EAA's flying start week is May 13-18th this year. We had a good turnout last year and would like to do it again.

11. Future Topics

- a. Look at Financial Yearly Report
- b. Start Talking about AirVenture 24

Announcements: Next Board Meeting April 13, 2024

Questions

Meeting was Adjourned at 10:24