

## **Board Meeting Minutes April 4, 2017.**

Members in attendance: Bernie Willis, Cliff Belleau, Chuck Hosack, Lars Gleitsmann, Ed White, Al Clayton, Jim Moss Jr. and Jim Moss III.

Meeting was called to order by President Willis at 7:10 PM.

No treasurers report: Ed stated there were no changes since last report other than a couple of new members payments. Ed did indicate that the PayPal account has a quirk that if a member uses a PayPal account in other than their name (business or other), he has no way of determining who the dues payment is to be applied to.

Minutes from the March board meeting were approved as presented.

## Old business:

The board discussed a project in the Wrangell St. Elias National Park to maintain a landing area. Al Clayton is the Alaska Liaison for the Recreational Aviation Foundation. Al has a property on an airstrip near McCarthy and has been in contact with the NPS regarding this. The Board determined the chapter would like to improve Jakes Bar landing area by removing encroaching brush. Al will contact the NPS to confirm the dates of June 3-4, with a bad weather back-up of June 9-10. Al has invited us to stage at his property about 13 miles from Jakes Bar. Al's airstrip is 3000' and he has running water.

President Willis was able to obtain space for an aircraft inside the Alaskan Airmen's annual gathering. The board authorized the payment to the Airmen for \$500. This is a discounted price from the usual \$1000 fee. Ed White offered to place his RV4 in the show if he is in far enough along with it. As a back-up it was discussed that perhaps Loren and Sam would be interested in placing their Zenith in. Jim Moss III has volunteered to co-ordinate the volunteers for the event.

## **New Business:**

Last year Jim Moss Jr. paid for the chapters booth in the Alaskan Airmen's annual gathering. The board misunderstood that Jim was donating this amount. The board authorized the repayment to Jim for the \$400 he paid last year.

The board discussed a memorial event for Chuck May. It was decided to include a memorial event at the May chapter meeting Jim Moss III volunteered to provide the eulogy.



Rob Stapleton had indicated in an email that he had made the acquaintance of a welding instructor that would be willing to provide a demonstration for the chapter. It was decided that we should work that into the chapter meeting schedule probably in September.

Ed White has met a young man that is working on his private pilot rating after earning a glider rating with the CAP. Ed indicated that he thought the youth deserved some help from the chapter. After discussion, no action was taken. It was suggested that the youth come visit the board and make a presentation regarding his needs. It was also suggested that the chapter might want to create some form of an assistance criterion for future opportunities. Jim Moss indicated that the chapter he is involved in in Arizona sends 4 youth a year to Aviation Camp at EAA.

Jim Moss III recommended that the chapter increase its participation in the Valdez Fly-in, stating that the chapter had done a lot of work when that fly-in was held in Gulkana.

## Young Eagles:

Hudson Fly-in May 20, Ed will be out of town but Chuck will run the ground portion of the event and Ed will co-ordinate the planning.

The Aviation Museum is working with grade and middle school students to operate a week long summer camp. They would like the chapter to provide a Young Eagles experience. The expected date is the 15 and/or 16<sup>th</sup> of June.

July meeting will be a Young Eagle rally and BBQ at Birchwood. The meeting will be moved up to July 15<sup>th</sup> due to the Oshkosh dates conflicting with our regular meeting date.

Meeting adjourned about 8:40.