



Board Meeting Minutes July 3, 2019

Members in attendance: Cliff Belleau, Bernie Willis, Lars Gleitsmann, Walter Yankauskas, Chuck Hosack.

Meeting was called to order by President Willis at 7:00 PM.

Treasurer's report: Ed was not in attendance and sent no report.

Secretaries Report: The minutes from June board meeting accepted as presented.

Scott Christie Accident: The general opinion of the board was that if contacted by the media regarding accidents, we should avoid commenting unless we have direct knowledge of the circumstances. If we have direct knowledge of the circumstances, the NTSB Investigator in Charge should make all statements involving an ongoing investigation.

Government Affairs: Lars reported no new issues of concern.

Old business:

RAF fly-out to McCarthy is scheduled for July 12th, please RSVP to Al Clayton aclayton@theraf.org or 907-276-2999

July 23 membership meeting/BBQ: Sara and Cliff will host a chapter BBQ at Sara's hangar at Lake Hood.

August membership meeting: Lars has found an Avid Explorer project in the valley that the builder is willing to show us. Lars is still working to finalize the arrangements for the meeting.

New Business:

Bernie attended an Idaho Fly-in and spent some time bouncing around the Idaho back country with some old and new friends. His takeaway: Density Altitude is an experience that Alaskans have little experience with. Both engines and airframes have degraded performance. Bernie was amazed at the long take-off runs of some very high performance bush planes. Much discussion ensued, with many opinions expressed.

Website Photo's:

There is a company claiming copy write infringement for a photo that was posted on our website. The company "Higbee & Associates" has sent Rick a letter demanding \$1775 for copy write infringement regarding a photo of the Costa Concordia that was posted on our website. Rick has removed the photo from the website.



Al Clayton has sent a letter on the Chapters behalf defending the chapter. Al will work this for a bit without charge to the chapter. It appears that Higbee & Associates is a group of a lawyers that have developed a somewhat successful business model of making these type claims for “damages”.

As a policy, Rick has suggested that we restrict our postings of photos to the website to those that we have taken ourselves.

Meeting adjourned about 8:15.