

EAA Chapter 42

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 2nd, 2023

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Attending:

- Lars Gleitsmann (P)
- Scott McEwen (VP),
- Chris Gill (S),
- Chuck Hosack
- Jim Moss
- Chad Hansen (new member)
- Cliff Belleau
- Sara Maurer
- Walter Yankauskas
- Tom Lawhorn

Scott called the meeting to order at 7:22 P.M.

- Scott distributed agenda for the meeting.
- Chris distributed minutes from the January Board meeting and a list of ideas and suggestions for future events and meetings. Meetings were adopted as is by the board.

Treasurers report:

- No report as Ed was on vacation.
- Tom Lawhorn and Cliff Belleau paid 2023 dues (cash). Chris collected the funds for future delivery to Ed White.

Government Affairs Report

- Lars noted there are no new significant developments.

Vice Presidents Report

- Scott noted we have 27 current members.

New & Current Items

Discussed turnout at Chapter breakfast at Kava's in Muldoon.

- Chuck noted that though the last breakfast had low attendance, other previous meetings had been well attended.

Discussed the Chapters nonprofit status.

- Scott noted we had an IRS letter from years ago that indicated the Chapter was a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, but that this was not indicated in current IRS online records.
- Scott is actively working with the IRS to solidify the chapters status at a 501(c)(3).
- The group discussed our understanding of accepting donations and providing documentation to those donating to the chapter.
- Chris noted that EAA National has some very good videos online clarifying the process for a chapter to accept donations assuming they are current as a 501(c)(3).

Discussed ideas for upcoming Chapter meetings.

- Chris reminded the members that it is critical that we greet new members and chapter meetings and make the new member feel welcome and involved.
- Lars suggested having members with flying planes take other member and nonmembers flying to boost interest in the club and aviation in general.
- Chris discussed the list of potential meeting ideas that was distributed at the meeting.
- The group discussed future meeting and landed on the following plan:
 - **February** – Meeting at Bernie's hangar in Wasilla. Bernie has a PA-18 in the 'ready to cover' state. **Chris** to verify Bernie is still willing to host the meeting. Lars will talk to Bernie about presenting on items not to do when covering an aircraft. Chris suggested members should offer to carpool to increase participation at meetings outside of Anchorage.
 - **March** – Dave Schwartz (Continuous Operations Safety Advisor @FAA) may present on the ongoing development of unleaded aviation fuels. **Scott** will verify Dave is available to host the meeting and will find a location for the meeting (AK Airmen's or in Birchwood). **Lars** to brief Dave on the scope of the presentation, will ask Dave to keep the discussion at a level appropriate for the audience.
 - **April** – Mark Barker has volunteered to present to the group on the new AWC certification process to be followed when a builder finishes their aircraft build/fabrication. Chris to follow up with Mark to see if he is available on the Tuesday, April 25th. Mark volunteered the use of the North Airpark Hanger.
 - **May** – Possible Northern Lights Avionics (NLA). **Scott** to check with NLA to see if they would be willing to discuss the latest in airplane gadgets, options for ADSB, and possible ForeFlight technology.
- Other ideas discussed for meetings after May:

- Saturday morning fly outs. Jim Moss discussed how the club used to plan fly outs to local airports on the Saturday following the chapters monthly meetings. A location (usually a location with food options) could be discussed at the meeting for a fly out the following weekend. Weather concerns could be addressed, and members could coordinate on filling extra seats in attending aircraft. Scott asked **Jim** to consider leading this effort this year. Jim noted it would be good to compile a list of chapter members with flying planes to support this initiative.
- Tom Lawhorn's Glstar project. Tom's plane should be ready for flight this summer!
- Bernie Wills BBQ at his hangar in Wasilla.
- Lars Republic Seabee project.
- Chris Gills PA-18 build in Anchorage.
- Al Clayton suggested (via email) a flyout to McCarthy in July.
- Picnic to Al Claytons hanger in Cooper Landing near the Quartz Creek airstrip. Location is accessible by car as well as floatplane and wheel planes. The group discussed considering this as a September activity on the Saturday after the September Chapter meeting.
- Rob Cassara's Kolb Cobra at his soon to be constructed hanger in Palmer.
- Summer picnic at Matt Freemans Birchwood hanger.

Discussed Young Eagles activities. The chapter will again plan to host a Young Eagles event in June 2023.

Walter gave an update on his recent work on the Chapters website. Rick Henry and Walter have done significant work over the past few months to update and improve the chapters website (THANKS!!!! It is greatly appreciated.)

New member Chad Hansen noted that he had equipment and experience in propellor balancing. Chad could be a good resource for members needing to get their props balanced. Chad to add this skill to his profile on the members information section of our website.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M. (but hanger talk, stories and lies were shared till much later in the evening!)

Respectfully Submitted,

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