

EAA Chapter 430 - 2023 BOD Minutes

Date: Sep 21, 2023

- Board Members Present: Ray Ballantyne, Rick Vaux, Richard Howell, (Tracy Halsted), Barry Halsted, Dave Miller
- Absent: Scott Fitzgerald, Harry Cook, Andy Sallee, Elisa Petersen, Erik Petersen, Bud Davies
- Guest: Lisa Ballantyne
- President Ray Ballantyne called the Board Meeting to order at 1506 on a Thursday afternoon at the Ballantyne residence.
- Agenda additions or corrections: none presented.
- BOD Minutes of the Aug 2023 meeting were approved as written.
- Correspondence:
 - Ray made contact with Jon Picker (KCLM airport mgr.) to offer congratulations for his successful runway resurface project - and - to secure our cold weather chapter gathering accommodations. Jon was able to give the go ahead and waived paperwork and fees! [Thanks Jon and Ray both!!]
 - Barry has been able to finally make contact (Mike Friend) with EAA 406 (Bremerton Rain Birds) to coordinate flyouts. [Woohoo!!]
 - There was some brief discussion about an email concerning a web hosting and website development offer from a person who does websites for EAA HQ. Nothing came to light of any specific problems we have or need solved with our present situation.
- Reports & Status Update:
 - Vice President Rick Vaux - nothing new.
 - Secretary Richard Howell - nothing new.
 - Treasurer Tracy Halsted (via Barry) - reported financial condition - \$14,960 total funds. All scholarship payouts are current. Still \$300 to be spent for Build & Fly. Paperwork for Build & Fly was closed out (and there is a second event sign up waiting list available).
 - Membership Erik Petersen (Ray) - 100 members!
 - Young Eagles Bud Davies - nothing new.
 - VMC/IMC Harry Cook - no report.
 - Newsletter Elisa Petersen - no report.
 - Flyouts Barry Halsted - Friday Harbor scheduled for Sep 22.
 - Scholarship Dave Miller - nothing new.
 - Communications Scott Fitzgerald - no report.
 - Web Editor Andy Sallee - no report.
 - Tool Crib - remaining items are currently in Bud's hanger, with expectation of moving them to Rick Stoffel's (home) hangar, at least temporarily.

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- Ray wondered about adding an apple press, which led to discussion of adding a margarita machine, which briefly led to loss of focus and control of the meeting. After a good laugh, order was restored. No direct action items identified at this time.
- Old Business
 - Hangar Clubhouse - Richard had shared an AI-generated outreach message (exercise) that described a possible Aviation Technology Center at Sequim Valley Airport. Dave Miller and Ray discussed possible value in messaging and educating potential 503(c) donors about the virtues of Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) to nonprofit organizations, directly from personal retirement savings Minimum Required Distributions (MRD).
 - Build & Fly (Rick) - The new plane was flown by member Robert Ball. The kids saw it go, but some adjustments are needed. Hands on for the kids is anticipated soon.
 - Tool Crib Move - as noted above.
- New Business
 - September gathering presentation is unconfirmed. Ray will check.
 - Kevin and Charlene Tracy have confirmed their acceptance of Hospitality Director positions. [Yay!!]
 - Pancake Breakfast - after a brief discussion, a BOD trial run seemed like a good idea. Thursday Sep 28th at 0900, at Buds hanger.
 - Ground school prep class has been meeting every other week. Next session will be at hangar #15, after the gathering.
 - The holiday party is on. (During the meeting Ray contacted “Olivia” to re-confirm the date and time - Dec 9th (Sat), preparations start at 4:00pm.)
 - Bud(?) will be in contact with “Santa” regarding Toys for Tots donations at the party.
 - Lisa Ballantyne will work with Kevin Tracy to hammer out details of the party.
 - Lisa Ballantyne presented a letter that outlined her [extremely generous] offer to facilitate getting chapter logos embroidered on clothing - essentially - bring items to the gathering and she will take them to Copy Cat Graphics to get them embroidered. Her letter will be emailed to the chapter membership. [Thank you Lisa!!]
- The meeting was adjourned at 1604 local time.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Howell, EAA 430 Secretary

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