EAA Chapter 430 - 2024 BOD Minutes

Date: Apr 19, 2024

- Board Members Present: Ray Ballantyne, Rick Vaux, Richard Howell, Tracy Halsted, Bud Davies, Barry Halsted, Dave Miller, Erik Petersen, Elisa Petersen
- Absent: Scott Fitzgerald, Andy Sallee, Kevin Tracy, Charlene Tracy, Harry Cook
- President Ray Ballantyne called the Board Meeting to order at 0900
- Agenda additions or corrections: none presented.
- BOD Minutes of the Mar 2024 meeting were approved as written.
- Correspondence:
 - o Dave Miller received word that our chapter application for Ray Scholarship administration has been approved and funded. EFT has been set up to pay \$2000 at time to Rite Bros. Just need Gunner to complete and submit the waiver for dues funds transfer.
 - o Ray Ballantyne approached the Nelsons about *EAA Air Academy* for Nathan. We could use \$1400 of our YE funds. The board also thought that perhaps Ava Petersen might make a good scholarship candidate.
 - o Build and Fly coordinator Richard Howell initiated email correspondence with EAA HQ, Dave Leiting about the possibility of loosening some of the constraints for event registration, parental presence, and co-sponsorship with other organizations. The response was flatly - no. Our EAA Build and Fly events must be exclusively controlled by EAA Chapter 430 and conducted according to EAA Young Eagle program policies.
 - o Dave Miller mentioned that there is a possibility that a few ARF R/C kits might be available for donation.
- Reports & Status Update:
 - o Vice President Rick Vaux nothing new.
 - o Secretary Richard Howell nothing new.
 - o Treasurer Tracy Halsted
 - The CD is up for renewal.
 - Financial reports have been published.
 - Non-paid members have been deleted from the active membership roster.
 - o Membership Erik Petersen Paid members are 96, with 2 pending. The Sliding new member window is 12 (to 14).
 - o Young Eagles Bud Davies June 1 (W28) has 35 kids registered. Discussion about ways to advertise. Time to start recruiting pilots and ground volunteers. Erik mentioned reaching out to EAA Chapter 84 at Paine Field (for pilot volunteers).
 - o VMC/IMC Club Harry Cook (Ray) All good.
 - o Hospitality Kevin & Charlie Tracy (Ray) Preparations for lunch at the April gathering is on track.
 - o Newsletter Elisa Petersen Waiting for content.

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- o Flyouts Barry Halsted Arlington (AWO) is the destination on tap for later today, meeting there at 12:30p.
- o Scholarship Dave Miller reported that our current scholarship funds, approximately \$6000, is sufficient to cover our candidates for 2 years. We will hopefully make certain that our scholarship funds don't suffer as we raise money for the building fund.
- o Communications Scott Fitzgerald Ok, via email. Brief discussion about BOD logins being set up and that we're searching for a possible replacement for mail chimp.
- o Web Editor Andy Sallee Ok, via email. Brief discussion about website "contributors".

Old Business:

- o Recognition Plaza (Ray) no further info about the brass plaque acquisition (that was approved last month).
- Build and Fly (Richard) Will work with the rest of the team to design some self-contained workshops that may include aeronautical training, simulation, rubber (indoor) model building and hands-on R/C flying with the existing model. There's excitement about events at Boys and Girls Club, YMCA and CAP, although the sponsorship for such events would technically be outside of EAA. More discussion and planning is needed. All TBD.
- o Building Committee (Ray, Barry, Harry and Richard)
 - Announcement of a plan to the membership.
 - (Ray) has submitted a letter to the Sequim Valley Airport board to request a long term lease of land, essentially where the current office trailer is located.
 - (Ray) we anticipate making a deposit to R&M Steel for the building materials/kit, once the airport lease has been approved. (Timing is such that we can safely renew the building fund CD for another term.)
- o Tetrahedron at W28 (Barry) A design for the replacement is underway, has been done by Richard Humphreys (Rakes Glen resident and neighbor to the Halsteds and the Ballantynes). We have some materials. Fabrication is underway, to be followed by assembly.
- o Flying Start (Ray) The Saturday May 18 event is being hosted by Dave Woodcock, with assistance from Cecilia Aragon. A banner will be affixed to the Sequim Airport sign. Sign ups currently are 2 candidates. Pilots needed. No EAA youth protection requirement.

New Business:

- o Fundraising Ideas discussion
 - Grants. Seeking guidance from Judy Stipe, Director of Seguim Museum & Arts
 - Donations (recognition tiers?)
 - Poker Run. Prize donations?
 - Auction
 - Sponsor outreach (recognition tiers?)
 - (Bud) Timely donation to "See the Result" (while you're still alive, rather than waiting until after passing). Enjoy the results now.
 - Chili & Bingo Night. Black Tie Bingo? Venue? w/donation levels?

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- Corporate donors
- Emphasize youth and STEM benefits when discussing with potential donors
- Media Outreach Todd Ortloff radio interview? Bud Davies, radio PSA? Newspaper PSA?
- o April Gathering Saturday April 27th. Show up & set up. Lunch. Presentation by Dave Woodcock, Piper L-4 history and 80th birthday celebration (for the airplane).
- May Gathering Harry Cook is scheduled to be our presenter.
- o Pass-the-Mic suggested as possible programs for gatherings without scheduled speakers.
- o May 8th Barry Halsted will be the presenter at the EAA 406 gathering (Bremerton), to talk about his magnificent aircraft design and building of *Saffire*.
- o Ray will be missing for some events during June and July, for Alaska (starting June 1) and Oshkosh at the end of July.
- o Richard also plans flying to Oshkosh in July.
- o Barry and Tracy will be attending Oshkosh as well.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1015.

Respectfully submitted, Richard Howell, EAA 430 Secretary