

EAA Chapter 430 - 2025 BOD Minutes

Date: Mar 21, 2025

- Board Members Present: Ray Ballantyne, Rick Vaux, Richard Howell, Tracy Halsted, Barry Halsted, Dave Miller, Harry Cook, Kevin Tracy, Linda Priddle, Bud Davies
- Not present: Andy Sallee (email), Erik Petersen (email), Charlene Tracy
- Chapter President Ray Ballantyne called the meeting to order at 0907
- Agenda additions or corrections: none
- BOD Minutes of the Feb 2025 meeting were approved as written.
- Correspondence:
 - EAA HQ - Gender question (from HQ) about Air Academy attendees - 3rd time for this!
- Reports & Status Update:
 - Vice President Rick Vaux - planning a hangar sale soon.
 - Secretary Richard Howell - nothing new.
 - Treasurer Tracy Halsted - reported \$161,934 in building fund, \$3647 scholarship, \$3488 operating. Financials have been published. IRS Form 990 EZ to be filed before May 15.
 - Membership Tracy Halsted - 91 members, 13 still unpaid. Ray and Richard will reach out.
 - VMC/IMC Club Harry Cook - Next meeting April 9th.
 - Hospitality Kevin & Charlene Tracy - (Kevin) will reach out for March breakfast helpers. Kevin presented a prototype of the centerpieces for the pledge dinner. Planning for the Flying Start event to possibly include coffee, muffins, lunch, etc. (Sat May 17th)
 - Fly-Out Barry Halsted - Bremerton flyout was good. Looking at possibly next Tuesday for Arlington, weather permitting - otherwise drive out.
 - Scholarship Dave Miller - having some email communication issues with Jazmin. Expecting her to finish her Ray Scholarship application by the end of the month. (Tracy got an email from Aiden Lara, reporting his school status - all good)
 - Newsletter Linda Priddle - requests that submitted photos be in .jpg format and be separate from the article content.
 - Communications Erik Petersen - (Tracy) anticipating automatic updating of contacts into mail-merge. Would like to establish a new gmail account for the Treasurer.
 - Web Editor Andy Sallee - (Ray) We really need new content to replace dated material on the website. Tracy and Ray will review and suggest updates.
- Old Business:
 - Building Committee - (Barry) We've circled back to a metal building as being best-suited for economy and meeting county requirements. 4 RFQs have been made. We've rec'd one reply and another we expect soon. Sequim Valley Airport (Andy) has verbally indicated that existing well water and septic can be used. We anticipate lease verbiage to be updated accordingly. R&M Steel has indicated that, for approximately \$1500, they can produce engineering documents for concrete work that will meet Clallam County requirements.
 - Young Eagles - Bud Davies has booked our first event for June 14 at W28, to be followed by events at KCLM on July 19 and again at W28 on Aug 23, with Sep 20 as alternate. Bud

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is still working on an inspirational YE article for the newsletter. We've rec'd an article from scholarship recipient Dan Weaver. Requests for similar articles will be made to other past and present recipients.

- o Aviation Swap Meet Fundraiser - Ray briefed us about getting together with folks from Harvey Field, Bremerton and Chehalis. Ray's waiting to hear back from Eileen (Harvey) and Emma (Bremerton). Jerry (Chehalis) already has one scheduled for Aug 22-23. Interest is gathering. Harry Cook shared his concept of a swap meet where participants bring their own stuff and have a table.
- o Flying Start - May 17th, Saturday. Harry needs access credentials for flyingstart.org. Ray says he'll update Harry with admin rights so he can set up the event for registrations. The KCLM conference room has already been booked (Ray).
 - A number of broken links on our eaa430.org website have been noted, including ones for Flying Start (and a few others).
 - Advertising suggestions - PDN, SG local papers, KSQM radio.
 - Harry needs a few volunteers to help with onsite registration and sign-in.
- o EAA 430 Facebook - brief discussion about exploring what presence we have on FB, beyond the EAA 430 Young Eagles page. Richard will look into finding related pages or groups and who might hold admin/log-in credentials.
- New Business
 - o Pledge Dinner - May 14, Wed - will begin at 5:00pm for drinks with dinner served at 5:30pm.
 - o A request from DART (Alan Barnard) was forwarded to Ray, for an EAA 430 chapter donation of funds to purchase non-perishable food items for DART training and then subsequent donation to a food bank (in Bellingham?). After a brief discussion, no was the answer.
 - o Server change and email - done!
 - o Survey Results - Lots of enthusiasm for the new building. Not apparently a great deal of interest in building airplanes. Fly-outs are a hit.
 - o Message from Dave Woodcock (EAA 430 member) - (Ray) there's an effort underway, by EAA and WPA folks, to have an old time fly-in at Arlington (KAWO) with camping and other activities, to be held Fri, Sat and Sun - July 11-13.
 - o March Gathering Program - Ray asked for suggestions. No substantive response.
 - o Meeting adjourned at 1047

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Howell, EAA 430 Secretary

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