

- Started at 6:46 p.m. at Bellevue Library, Conference Room #4
- Present were: Jim Simmons, Mark Nyberg, Mike Newgard, Nelson Funston, Jim McNeil, Heinz Gehlhaar, Chris Gunther, Bruce Bulloch and Stephen Northcraft.
- October meeting minutes:
 - Minutes from the meeting of December 9th were read and approved with changes.
- Financial Report:
 - As of December 31, net income is approximately -\$1781 for 2008. Includes \$865 account receivable.
 - Ready for the audit that is scheduled for later in January, 2009.
 - Discussed Administration expenses for going over to accountant to handle billing (\$1461). Should be lower this year after setting up accounts in 2008.
- Ephrata Status:
 - 2009 plan: looking into water connections for RV's, gravel covering for berm and shade sail for deck.
 - Opening date: April 4th
 - Will e-mail membership form to members
 - Steve Northcraft to review Ephrata fee structure for 2009.
 - Late fees – it was suggested that a straight \$10 fee be added for overdue bill. Also suggested to send a statement in the mail for a double late bill.
- Tow Plane Status:
 - Tire Swap – Tires at AWO for retread. Still in work. Will remind ESI about tires.
 - 75B Annual – Scheduled for late February/early March
- Towline Status:
 - Last printed copy sent out. Next issue to be digital.
- Web page:
 - Web page up-to-date for the 2009 schedule.
 - Will add 2009 National page.
 - Looking for record keeper for State Records
- SGCSF:
 - Financials – Moved \$4500 to towplane account
 - DG-1000 – Work party scheduled for Jan 10. Working on insurance costs. 15 indicated interest in joining syndicate
 - Winter Safety Seminar – Jan 31 at Arlington. Foundation picking up \$300 cost.
 - Re-elected Mark Nyberg for 3-year term as director of SGCSF
- 2009 18m Nationals
 - 3 pilots registered to date. Will set up 2009 contest web page.

- Discussed public relations plans for contest
 - General public
 - Ephrata as a soaring site
 - Fun for pilots (crews?)
- 2009 Regional Contest – currently planning to have a non-sanctioned contest during Memorial Day weekend.
- Next General Membership meeting – Feb 2. Will have financial report and glider video.
- State Records:
 - Reviewed status of records and status on websites.
- Glider Expo:
 - Glider Expo scheduled for March 21, 22. Brandon Beardsly and dad are speakers.
- February SGC Board meeting:
 - February 10 – Conference Room #4 at the Bellevue Library.
- Tow Pilot benefits
 - Discussed benefits for tow pilots
- Made following committee assignments:
 - Secretary – Michael Newgard
 - Contest Manager – Stephen Northcraft/Tom Dixon
 - SSA Governor – Bruce Bulloch
 - Awards – Jim Simmons
- Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.