

SEATTLE GLIDER COUNCIL  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: February 9, 2010

Place: Mercer Island Library, small meeting room.

Attendees: Mike Newgard, Stephen Northcraft, Mark Nyberg, Heinz Gelhaar, Chris Gunther, Jim McNeil, Fred Hermanspann

Meeting called to order: 6:46 pm

- January 10, 2010 meeting minutes – approved as corrected (to be posted on the website).
- Financials
  - Ready for bills due for rent, state fees and annuals for towplanes.
  - There are some minor outstanding balance and gas billing issues.
  - The 2009 finance audit has still to be done; Nelson and Rita have been suggested as auditors.
- Membership fees
  - No changes for now, last year's expenses for Ephrata operations and towplanes came out close to be even.
- Ephrata
  - No news on the port fuel pump installation..
  - Clubhouse scheduled to open on 4/3, bathhouse on 4/24.
  - Landscaping –
  - Steve will provide Mike with drawing for the clubhouse deck shading (canvas cover)
- Towplanes
  - Pawnee 78 P is being annualled, Super Cub 75B to be done in March.
- Towline status
  - Heinz is almost done with the February/ March issue.
- Web site
  - Calendar of events is up-to-date.
- SGCSF report
  - Instructor revalidation clinic – Feb 13/14 at Alaska Airlines Training Center, 18 participants so far.
- Soaring EXPO – March 20-21
  - Heinz Gehlhaar and Doug Service are the organizers, Frauke Elber to speak about “Women in Flying”. Other speakers are Danny Howell and Alan Silver.
  - Heinz is organizing a get-together with Frauke Elber on Friday Mar. 19 at Angelo's in Burien.
- Contest Plans for next year
  - Dust-Up – 5/29-31 – Bruce Bulloch manager, Ron Bellamy sports director
  - Contest fees (\$250?), tow rates and refunds still to be discussed
- SGC banquet - November 6, as usual at Ivar's Salmon House
- General membership meeting
  - March 1 – Heinz will have a suitable DVD for presentation.
- Assignments – additional SGC assignments to previous list:
  - Towplane scheduler Steve Northcraft
  - Towplane managers Steve Northcraft/ Bill Birney
  - Ephrata manager Jim Simmons
  - Dust-up and Region 8 sports director Ron Bellamy
- Arlington Status
  - The FAA has indicated a willingness to accept the current glider runway with a number of stipulations, still to be discussed.
- Additional item

Steve Northcraft discussed the difficulty of getting taildragger rated towpilots and the climb performance of the Cub with heavy weight gliders. He suggested acquiring a suitable C182 and eventually disposing of the Cub. The board is generally in favor of this proposal and Steve will do some further research.

- Next board meeting: March 9, 6:30 pm, at the Bellevue Library, Room #4.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm