

SEATTLE GLIDER COUNCIL
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: July13, 2010

Location: Bellevue Library, Meeting Room 4

Attendees: Mike Newgard, Stephen Northcraft, Jim Simmons, Mark Nyberg, Heinz Gehlhaar, Chris Gunther, Jim McNeil, Bruce Bulloch

Meeting called to order: 6:47 pm

- June 8, 2010 meeting minutes – approved as presented, will be posted on web.
- Finances
 - No formal financial report as Chris had just returned from vacation. Jim noted that he had paid the June gas bill.
 - Refund request from Mark Jardini: Chris will verify receipt of a \$63 check from Mark and it was agreed to refund the \$28 in fees but not the \$35 annual dues.
 - There was a discussion about what to do about our long term cash deposits that are earning almost zero interest. Various options such as moving accounts to BECU or CD's or other money market funds were mentioned. Jim and Chris will investigate.
- Ephrata
 - Based on some tests by Steve, the bathhouse water heater CB trips are probably due to summertime (solar) overheating of the water heater compartment at the end of the bathhouse. Steve will investigate some venting options.
 - Jan Funston is keeping the landscaping work up to date.
 - The clubhouse is staying reasonably clean considering the heavy usage. Many favorable comments about the new deck sunshade setup. (It was agreed to reimburse Steve for the sunshade construction materials from foundation funds).
 - Need to start working a plan for RV spaces for next season; keep the 12 our lease currently allows or add more (would need port approval and more power/water hookups) and/or rearrange current RV parking setup. The trend seems to be toward more RV spaces needed in the future. Might also like to maintain some space for transient/short term RV's and tents.
 - Some current tenants are complaining about crowding now while a few others leave their RV's unused much of the season, i.e. they're using their space as cheap “dry storage”.
 - As part of general site cleanup the owners of a couple of “semi-permanent” vehicles will be contacted about disposition.
 - Operations: Due to several broken runway lights we now have approval to land the towplane on the ramp. We are also now staging the gliders on the west side of the ramp on a trial basis to reduce pedestrian traffic in the takeoff/landing areas. If successful this will become the normal operation.
- Towplanes
 - Pawnee running good. Now have gas cards for all 3 towplanes. C182 towhook and mirror installation in work. Will initially run C182 with current oil cooler and monitor temperatures during towing operations. Need to get state registration for C182.
 - Supercub out of service due to ground loop. Based on repair estimate we probably will not pursue an insurance claim on this since we would lose our current “no deductible” insurance status for 3 years and probably have to pay higher premiums. Steve has sent some supercub tires out for retread.
 - Received \$470 repayment of the \$1,000 earnest money for the previous attempted acquisition of a C182. Steve will pursue a couple of options for return of the remainder of the earnest money.
- Towline status
 - Next issue due August 1 and Heinz is looking for inputs.

- Web site
 - Calendar of events is up-to-date; tow pilot signup for August and September is pretty thin at this time.
- SGCSF report
 - Jim presented balance sheet and profit and loss data for the foundation for the Jan. 1 through July 9 period. He noted the John Daly development fund has \$3500.
 - The DG-1000: Heinz has received the new “Cloud Dancer” wing covers and will be soliciting cost reimbursement from the DG-1000 members.
- Contest Reports
 - DustUp - Bruce presented the DustUp contest financial report. He's waiting for responses from 5 contestants about tow fee refund or donation.
 - Region 8 – Steve is still finalizing financial results but a preliminary look indicates a profit of about \$1900.
 - Having the final banquet on the deck worked well – probably do it again next year. A simple non-catered event also makes for easier planning.
- Miscellaneous
 - Mark is looking for ideas for education/training/seminars/speakers for early next year.
- Next General Membership Meeting
 - September 13 , 7 pm, MoF– Fred will talk about the WGC 2010 in Szeged, Hungary.
- Next board meeting: August 10, 6:30 pm, at the Bellevue Library, room #4.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm