Westerly Airport Association Meeting Minutes

15 JAN 2013

Dooney Aviation

Presiding: Bernie Stumpf, President

In Attendance: Dick Morrone, Sam Grills, Bernie Stumpf, Carol Amedeo, Mike Ferrigno, Jim Gueltzow, Bette Gueltzow, Derek Ferris, Bob Taylor, Bill Grunow, Stephanie Shawn, Ricardo Tesoriero, Sandy Niles

I.   No new members or guests were present for introduction.

II.   The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.

III.   The Secretary's report was postponed until next month.

IV.   Corresponding Secretary – Chamber Packet not received yet; otherwise nothing to report.

V.   Treasurer's report: we have recently added new members: Stephanie Shawn, Jennifer Holden, E.L. "Hummie" Murano, Steven and Nancy Christina. As of December 31, 2012, there was $3021.37 on hand in the checking account. $1000 was transferred from the scholarship account to cover expenses. $1100 to Joyce's Every Day Gourmet for the Christmas party food was still outstanding. The current regular checking account balance is $3697.73. The Scholarship account balance is $3910.03. Two CDs remain the same, at $8767.46 and $1562.33 respectively. The other CD gained $3.53 for a new balance of $2813.79.

Carol has donated $1100 to cover the cost of the food at the Christmas gathering. She was thanked for her generosity in hosting and paying for our Christmas party.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

VI.   Old Business:

A.   WOW needs an operations manual; Sam knows it all, but isn't present. Carol has a lot of the WOW stuff documented and will give to Sam to put together with his and Karen's notes.

B.   Ocean House Golden Age of Aviation – Friday, May 3, 2013. Bette, Stephanie, Nancy
            Christina, Jennifer Holden will serve on the event committee with Chair Carol Amedeo.
            Discussion ensued about music. A swing band featuring '30s era music might
            encourage dancing. A full "big band" of 12 musicians may be appropriate for the era,
            but is beyond our budget and the space available. Details such as the name of the
            event, the music, the décor, etc., will be considered in committee.

Event hours will be changed to 6-9. The Ocean House has pledged to work with us about
            improving the food. Sam Grills will bring his aviation items for display. Bob Taylor may
            have some books for display. The invitation will include an option to donate if people
            can't attend. The cover of the invitation will be Bette's painting from last year.

Stephanie will handle the Silent Auction. Door prizes will be considered. Period attire will be
            optional.

VII.   New Business

A.   Bylaws – Derek has made some proposed changes, but suggested a small committee
            be formed. Sandy, Dick Morrone, and Derek will be on the committee.

B.   Membership cards. Derek made a design. In spite of the cost of mailing, it is agreed
            that membership cards should be produced and sent to paid WAA members.

C.   Pancake Breakfast. Bernie mentioned the great job Dean and Mike did. Mike Ferrigno
            and Dean Morrone will co-chair again. Mike and Dean will propose a date by next mtg.

There was discussion about why attendance had been down by about 50 people; comments
            included the date (earlier than previous years, and the day after Summer Pops.) Carol
            mentioned that in previous years we had donations of food and supplies. Carol had
            sent letters to BJ's Wholesale, Sandy's, etc. Bill Grunow will volunteer to take a list
            around for donations.

D.   Wings Over Westerly. After discussion, the date was set for Saturday, September 7th, rain date of the 8th. Sam and Karen will be asked to co-chair the event once again. Insurance Technologies and Programs of Wichita is the only company that offers aviation event insurance, so even though this is a huge expense, there is little point to trying to shop around again.

E.   New events:

Safety Seminar. Mike Ferrigno has set up a seminar for Feb 9, 10AM, Dooney Hangar. Non-towered airport communications will be the topic. Steve Grota of FSDO will be the presenter. Lunch will follow; we have hamburgers and soda left from WOW.

F.   The meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM.