Westerly Airport Association Meeting Minutes

21 MAY 2013

Haversham Tavern

Presiding: Bernie Stumpf, President

In Attendance: WAA members, 2013 scholarship winners and guests

- I. Our Scholarship winners for 2013 were introduced: Ben Brennan and his friend Becky, and Eric Fast with his father Ken.
- II. The abbreviated business meeting was called to order after dinner, Bernie Stumpf presiding.
- III. Carol Amedeo presented the 2013 Humphrey J. Amedeo, Jr. Aviation Scholarships. She presented Eric Fast, a 2013 Stonington HS graduate, and who will be attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute for the study of Aeronautical Engineering, with a \$1000 scholarship check. Carol presented Ben Brennan, who is attending A&P school to become certificated as an aircraft maintenance technician, and pursuing pilot training, with a \$1000 scholarship check.
- IV. The Secretary's report was read and accepted.
- V. Corresponding Secretary Carol received a note from Kevin Allen's daughter, thanking the WAA for the scholarship award to her, given by Carol through the WAA.
- VI. Treasurer's report: The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented

## VII. Old Business:

- Comments were solicited regarding the published, proposed WAA Bylaws changes. Sandy Niles pointed out that we have been in violation of Article IV, Section 2, which specifies that Directors shall be dues-paying members of the Association, but shall not serve as Officers of the Association. She is currently both a Board member and the Recording Secretary. After discussion, it was decided to modify this section of the Bylaws, to allow Officers to also serve on the Board. Formal voting on the Bylaws changes will take place at the regular June meeting of WAA.
- B. In related action, Carol nominated two new Board members: Jim Gueltzow and Steve Christina, which was voted on and accepted.
- C. Regarding the October Ocean House fundraiser, Carol reported that there will be three food stations as well as more passed appetizers. We are being given use of the Seaside Ballroom at no cost. Johnny and the East Coast Rockers has been selected as the band. Carol will email committee members regarding a June date to meet at the Ocean House with Laura Connolly to firm up details.
- D. The Summer Pancake Breakfast, scheduled for June 30<sup>th</sup>, is chaired by Dean Morrone and Mike Ferrigno, neither in attendance at this meeting. Carol has sent press releases for the June Atlantic Flyer, as well as The Westerly SUN and So Rhode Island magazine.
- E. The issue of the storage container was tabled.
- F. Wings Over Westerly will be co-chaired by Stephanie and Ricky Shawn, Humphrey Amedeo III, and Mike Ferrigno. Sam Watrous will oversee the flight operation for the EAA Young Eagles part of WOW, and WAA will supply volunteers to assist in all areas of the September 7<sup>th</sup> event.
- G. There being no further business, our 2013 Scholarship Winners were invited to speak briefly if they wished. Both young men thanked the WAA graciously for the awards. The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Niles

Secretary