

Westerly Airport Association

Board of Directors Meeting November 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by Chairman of the Board, Carol Amedeo. There were 8 members in attendance.

The agenda began with discussion on fundraising. Carol stated that the pancake breakfasts haven't been that lucrative and suggested trying a golf tournament. Bernie commented that it would not bring the community to the airport. Sam W thought we should get more information from area golf courses before deciding on a tournament. Stephanie says they can be a lot of work to set up raffles, sponsors, tickets, etc. Jim G offered to do some research on it.

The second topic discussed was the need to increase membership. Carol would like to add a Membership Chairman, and an Events Coordinator position. Other ideas were planning more fly-ins, restarting an aviation education outreach to local schools, having a wine tasting, doing airport improvement projects, having speakers and food at meetings. Sam stated we need to do things to draw the pilots back in, and expand the focus to more than giving scholarships. He suggested we plan an aviation career day for high school students in April or May. We also decided to check into hosting another Westerly Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event.

Carol has arranged for a safety seminar on winter flying to be given on Wed. Dec. 10 by someone who is retired from the FAA.

Carol regretted to inform us that she will be unable to host the Christmas party this year because she is in the process of moving. It was felt that the room at the Bridge is too small, so another venue will need to be considered.

Officer nominations were made and the following accepted;

President- Bernie Stumpf

Vice President- Carol Amedeo

Treasurer- Derek Ferris

Recording Secretary- Stephanie Shawn

Correspondence Secretary- Linda Theodore (nominated, not yet accepted)

No changes to current Boardmembers.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30. Respectfully submitted: Karen Watrous

