

Ky Pilots Association (KPA)

Meeting at Samuels Field

Bardstown, Kentucky

July 11, 2019

Regular monthly meeting called to order by President Randy White at 7:02 PM. Randy welcomed members and guests, then proceeded with business.

David Sutherland was formally introduced as the Secretary of the organization.

An open forum between Air Traffic Controllers and Pilots will again be held at 7:00 PM on August 22 at the Louisville Aero Club at Bowman Field in Louisville.

The AOPA Conference will be held in Tullahoma, TN, Sept 13, 14, 15. Several KPA members expressed interest in attending.

Rachel is presently finalizing preparations for the KPA Facebook site. When finished the site will have interesting information and event photographs about KPA.

Dusty McCoy presented an informative update and progress report regarding the new Flight Training Program. At present the Cub Kit will be shipped to Bardstown on August 7. It should arrive here the second week of the program. Bill Hamon the program instructor and coordinator will use the first week to orient the students to the mission. Dusty explained several issues were in various stages of consideration such as where to place the paint booth and acquiring computers for the program. It was determined the students will receive a letter grade which was considered a far better means to measure their progress. The program will need to explore ways to account for the funds once the first plane is completed and sold, to expedite the second phase. Dusty explained that flight programs state wide have expressed great interest in the Bardstown Kit project, and many have asked about information on how they might get involved or provide support. It was suggested that KPA oversee or own the Flight Program. Cub Crafters has agreed to support this program. Instructor Bill Hamon has been in contact with the FAA and factory to assure proper inspections during different phases of the

construction. Many school systems are very interested in the project. 17 of the 20 program students attended the BRY Open House held June 22, and showed great enthusiasm for the beginning of the classes. Laura Arnold and Lance will be assisting with the marketing aspects of the project. Instructor Bill Hamon will commit for one year to start, so a search for his replacement is already commenced.

No Treasurer's report was available due to Corey's absence.

David S requested the group consider a cook out for the next regular KPA meeting in August. This suggestion was agreed upon, and several members volunteered to help.

Terry Welshans reported that KPA now has 21 paid members with 5 youth explorer members.

Discussion about the successful Open House and plane rides on BRY's Aviation Day were quite positive. Many thanks were expressed to Tom Carter and Terry Welshans for their efforts to fly the guests. GREAT JOB!

Randy conducted a short safety session regarding bird strikes and possible means to avoid the problem.

Terry Welshans reported on the results of the recent Bardstown/Nelson County Airport Board Meeting. Chairman Jere Roche' explained the issues encountered with the relocation of the airport's weather station.

Dusty reported on the success of the Super Cub Fly-In and added it was ranked the highest rated Fly-In in America this year. Dusty further expressed the appreciation from the pilots for the local assistance during the event.

President Randy White adjourned the meeting at 8:24 PM.

Dave Sutherland, KPA Secretary