

Kentucky Pilots Association

Meeting Minutes January 9, 2020

President Randy White called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Kentucky Pilot's Association to order at 6:50 PM, at Susie Q's Restaurant.

Randy opened the meeting with discussion about his "Mud Dauber incident" at Rough River State Park. After Randy's recounting of the events, several members made correction to his account -- with much humor added.

David Mattingly reported on the Bardstown/Nelson County Airport Board's present state of issues. The financial issues are presently a major priority of the Air Board. The construction of a new T-hanger is a primary focus also. This will bring much needed revenue into supporting the airport needs. The engineering firms that are required by Federal guidelines are quite expense. An ongoing effort is underway to find alternatives to these requirements. David Mattingly reminded the group that the Board is open to suggestions and new ideas at anytime.

Randy up dated the recent closing of the Cincinnati Luken Airport restaurant with the good news that a pilot's petition had been submitted to the Air Board in Cincinnati, and a recent decision was made to restore the facility and reopen the café with a 5 year contract.

Tom Vernon raised the point that the KPA and local pilots are now enjoying a new tradition of meeting at BRY on Saturday mornings with plans to fly out to breakfast or lunch in the area. Several members made suggestions of great locations to fly to in the foreseeable future. Luken, Owensboro, and Kentucky Lake. Tom stated that this event would be in effect on each and every Saturday with favorable weather conditions. Randy added that the membership phone list and notification process would be improved and expanded.

Cory Johnson reported that Saturday morning January 11, he would like to organize a work detail to make some much needed repairs in the Old Terminal Building. Needed projects included mounting wall hanging hooks, vending machine relocation, restroom floor repaired and resurfaced, and restroom partition removal.

Cory continued with a brief report on the financials. He invited interested members to stop by his office to review the accounting records for both the KPA and the Education Foundation at any time. All issues with the Pay Pal system are now resolved. Tim Filiatreau stated he was having difficulty paying his dues by credit card. Terry Welshans advised he would look into the problem.

Terry Welshans reported KPA presently has 22 active members, with no changes from last month. Terry has pulled the Youth membership out due to lack of interest at present. We are due to renew the Boy Scout Explorer Post, however we agreed not to renew at present due to no activity on the Scouts part.

Chris Carter's safety presentation included information that Bowman Field's signage does not agree with the actual facilities lay out. Chris encouraged progressive taxing procedures as an alternative safety

measure. Chris also discussed the ramp procedures involving street vehicles and the rules of right-of-way when it involves taxing aircraft.

Randy White reports the BRY Saturday morning breakfast will resume in April. It was decided that the KPA February meeting will be held at Susie Q's at 6:00 PM. Randy further reported the Airport Board Chili Cook Off was a big success with John Hagerman taking first place.

Tom Carter reported the ILS at the Elizabethtown Airport (EKX) is now up and running. It was discussed that the published information is not out at present, but is expected in the near future. Chris reported the signal is not transmitting at present.

Rachel Woodworth added a brief report on drones in the local area, and her work with the Girl Scouts in Louisville to obtain their Aviation Merit Badges. Help with this project would be appreciated on May 16, from 10 until 2 PM.

Dusty McCoy reported on several items of great interest to this organization. The Bluegrass Aerospace Experience aircraft assembly is close to being completed. There is still a need for an active flight training program to operate at BRY in conjunction with the Youth Flight Experience Program. The idea of a raffle was discussed as a means to sell the Cub for funding to purchase another kit for the coming year project and hopeful have enough money to assist the students in the program to pursue the flying courses. This endeavor would be handled by way of the KPA Educational Foundation. The idea was offered to raffle the plane off at the EAA convention at Oshkosh this coming year. Several ideas to advertise the project were addressed. Wave 3 TV is scheduled Wednesday, January 15, to air a special report on the Carbon Cub project. A committee was formed to discuss and formulate plans for the Flight Experience Project's handling of the promotion and sale of the Super Cub. Committee members were Dusty McCoy, Randy White, and Tim Filiatreau.

Tom Vernon reported 3 separate flight schools have shown interest in participating in the flight instruction portion of the endeavor. These organizations are: Wings of Refuse, Danville; Chris Carter's Flight Training, local; and Kentucky Flight Training Center, Louisville. A follow up meeting is scheduled for this coming Tuesday to obtain additional information. Tom reported the committee is pleased with the options and hope this program will materialize. Aircraft will be provided by the schools. Some minor details are still being worked out, but hopefully within the coming month the program will be in place.

Cory Johnson asked if any progress was in place for the class room in the T-Hanger. Several members offered suggestions on how to utilize the space. John Hagerman suggested at least a table, filing cabinet, and possibly a computer should be installed to make it suitable for training students. Tim Filiatreau stated this issue would be addressed at the next Airport Board Meeting.

Several members discussed the paint booth installment and issues about its ownership and responsibility. Funding of needs for the booth were raised and discussed.

The January 2020 meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Submitted by KPA Secretary, David Sutherland