

Kentucky Pilots Association

Meeting Minutes – Oct. 14, 2021

Randy White opened the regularly scheduled Kentucky Pilots Association meeting at 7:07 PM.

Randy opened with asking if anyone had any corrections to the last regular meeting minutes, and no one raised any issues. Randy then moved on to an update on the progress of the new construction of the new terminal building and T-hangers. David Mattingly gave a brief update on what was happening with the two (2) new projects. David Mattingly explained the new parking area would not be complete until after the weather breaks next Spring. The construction progress will be delayed some due to the shortage of building supplies and steel.

Randy apologized for not keep abreast of the renewal of the dues and membership information. Terry Welshans reported the membership is up to 39 paying members with one youth member. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$3,108.27. Terry explained he would be depositing several additional checks that he has received since the last statement was reviewed which would increase the balance. Terry stated that all bills from the U S P A fly-in and recent events have been paid.

Randy continued by recognizing that Chris Carter was not present to conduct his regular safety session. Randy briefly discussed several ideas to expand the Safety Sessions for the organization, which would greatly enrich the club's members safety aspects. Pilot error is the primary cause in 80% of the fatal accidents investigated by the NTSB. Randy recalled the safety lecture Dan Gryder spoke of where the same errors are repeated due to lack of proper training. He continued by discussing the correct procedure in a low level engine failure is to demonstrate minimum maneuvering speed (DMMS). Randy encouraged all members to view some of Dan Gryder post crash videos for proper safety techniques.

Randy turned the discussing to the a concern that since Corey Johnson has departed some of the KPA paper work required to register the organization with the state is missing, and presumed misplaced or taken with Corey. Efforts are under way to re-file the necessary paperwork to restore the club to proper status. More discussion followed regarding proper registration procedure for an organization of our class.

Next on the agenda was the Saturday morning Breakfast, which appeared to have gone well. Terry stated the staff made an extra effort to keep the food supply refilled to keep from running out. This technique seemed to have worked successfully. Randy expressed an opinion that if the Breakfasts continue and are successful our organization needs to have a direct hand in the process to assure quality and a good product. Tom Carter reported that the E-town airport clears between \$600 and \$700 each event, and after the equipment and supplies are paid off the rest is clear profit for the organization. Randy made a strong argument for the KPA to take over the entire Breakfast effort for numerous reasons. Since Corey had control initially no one knew quite where KPA stood, but now that Corey is gone this organization can take it over and develop it into a beneficial endeavor. David Mattingly reported that the airport and KPA will both benefit from a joint effort to promote the airport. David continued to address ideas of ways to organize and sponsor the cook out events with responsible members taking roles to assure success. Very good and creative ideas were expressed by several members.

The discussion turned to the planning and organizing of the upcoming Chili Cook Off planned for October 30 at the big hanger. Plans ranged from required supplies and who would work the different stations. All were encouraged to attend and support the event with SAFETY remaining the top priority. It was stated and agreed that the helicopter would not be permitted to fly in the Pumpkin Drop Contest due to unsafe activity observed last year. Some members recalled some close calls with so many flights arriving in the pattern at the same time. Plans were discussed to minimize this matter. Randy and David Mattingly discussed a need for a master list of all pilots and participants involved in airport activity so contacts could be established when necessary.

Randy informed the club that VFR Flight programs were restarting back at Bowman Field to address safety issues in visual flight discipline. Several member requested more information about the time and place.

Randy and Terry Welshans had recently discussed trying different types of breakfasts with different courses, different menus and different styles of food, keeping in mind ways to streamline the methods to make the event easier. Jordan Burress offered to provide the eggs for upcoming events.

Randy recognized Curtis Hall and Jordon Burress as coordinators to assist him with the Pumpkin Drop.

Terry Welshans announced the Samuels Field facebook site is up and running.

Randy adjourned the meeting at 8:04 PM

Meeting Minutes submitted by: David Sutherland, Secretary