

Kentucky Pilots Association

Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2022

Randy White opened the regularly scheduled Kentucky Pilots Association meeting at 7:09 PM. 8 members were in attendance.

Randy opened the meeting with a brief discussion about the Air Traffic Control (ATC), Louisville SDF, activities and work load during the days leading up to The Kentucky Derby. Some speculation as to Derby traffic using Bardstown was discussed.

Randy turned the discussion to the terrific announcement of a large State grant to the Bardstown/Nelson County Airport for numerous upcoming projects. Due to David Mattingly's absence, Randy was unable to provide an accurate accounting of what projects the funds would be used for. Terry Welshans reported that April 14 was the last day the Governor could veto the funding bill and at the last report the funding had passed without change. Randy believes the airport's final improvement funding would reach ten (10) point one (1) million dollars \$10,100,000 in improvement money. Some of the money would immediately be directed toward the replacement of the failing AWOS equipment presently used by the airport. Tom Vernon reported the airport plans to relocate the AWOS to another area of the airport that would better suited for the facility.

Tom Vernon reported on the status of the 10 new hangers which are nearing completion. Tom stated anybody is welcome to move into the new hanger now, even though they are not entirely complete. Randy conveyed David Mattingly's wishes that more t-hangers were in the planning stage for future consideration. Tom Vernon reported at present there are forty (40) names on the waiting list for future hangers. According to Randy, some of the new funding will go for the repair and improvement of the B Hanger. Tom reminded all that the top floor of the new terminal building would be receiving new money for its completion. Tom concluded his part by warning the new hanger tenants to be very careful of screws and scrap wiring remaining on the floor which may cause tire damage to your aircraft.

Terry Welshans reported he had several KPA bills that had not been paid yet, but the present total in the bank was \$3,254.00. Terry said he had paid for the 15 pounds of sausage and the 9 pounds of bacon used at the first 2022 fly-in breakfast. Several members took this opportunity to offer suggestions on how to improve the menu for future breakfasts. Randy made several suggestions on how to improve the future events by better organization and earlier preparation. Terry reported the organization took in \$535.00 in cash. In addition, \$140.00 was received by credit card payments. Randy advised he still had several unpaid purchases that had not been reimbursed yet.

Randy was very pleased with the new credit card reader that was used during the event. It was determined that the Pay Pal processor would be discontinued, and the new Square processor would

be used. Terry advised a notice needed to be sent out to all members to advise them that the PayPal processor would no longer be available to process their dues and financial items.

Randy continued with a request for information about the status of House Bill 447 which deals with the tangible property taxes on privately owned aircraft in Kentucky. The bill was removed from its original bill, but he could not find where the bill ended up.

Randy provided an update on his efforts to wire the new terminal building with computer cables and wall fixtures. He reported the camera has showed up, but the recorder has still not arrived. Terry explained how the grant money would be deposited directly into the Education Foundation Account to go toward the completion of the upstairs learning center. Randy described the process of installing the outside camera for aircraft ramp view and surveillance. Randy will needed to wait until the outside deck is installed so as to anchor all the equipment securely together.

Terry Welshans reported the present membership status of 36 members in good standing, with one member dropping his membership due to the sale of his aircraft and no longer interested in flying. Randy was encouraged with the opening of the new facility and the spring weather activities that would bring renewed interest to the aviation community with hopefully new members coming on board.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM

Meeting Minutes submitted by: David Sutherland, Secretary