

EAA Meeting Minutes 6/19/16

Fathers' Day so attendance was light. President Mark Scott called the meeting to order at 10:00. Officers present were Mark; Steve Fraas, Vice President; Rick Beebe, Secretary; and Bill Jagoda, Treasurer. There were 13 attendees.

Welcome to new member Doug Dingman.

Treasurer's report: Bill Jagoda reports our bank balance is \$2731.39 as of 19 June 2016.

We passed out updated rosters. If your information has changed, please send any updates to Rick Beebe (secretary@eaa27.org)

Dave Pepe talked about ordering new shirts. We will order some for next meeting.

Rick Beebe talked about some of the attractions at AirVenture including 25th anniversary of Desert Storm and a collection of WWI aircraft coming from museums around the country.

Brian Rechiene was away but sent an update to Fran about the Young Eagles rally. We flew 13 kids. It was cut short by rain. The next rally will be sometime in October. We also flew 6 boy scouts and it was well received. The scoutmaster gave us major kudos about how well the rally was organized and run. They came from New York and one of the incentives to come here was that we fly the kids one on one.

Teens to Flight: Meriden Record Journal was here last Monday and there was a front page article on Tuesday. AOPA also picked it up and linked to it in their daily e-Brief. The plane is moving along. The tail cone should be riveted on next Saturday. Some of the kids are graduating. Mark went to Wilcox high school to recruit some replacements. Two kids showed up on Saturday and were launched right into the building process. The Aeronca Champ that's been donated for sale to help fund our project is about to come out of maintenance.

Airport Commission meeting on Tuesday. The hangars were discussed. Wilma is looking for people who want a hangar to actually show up at the next commission meeting to voice their support.

Airport Improvements. Thanks to Jim Simmons for putting a new floor and trim in the lady's bathroom. Mark Scott donated a coat rack for the men's room. Bill Jagoda is selling us a lightly used window air conditioner for the meeting room.

ADS-B. The FAA is going to be providing a \$500 rebate to the first 20,000 single engine piston plane pilots who buy ADS-B out equipment starting in September.

Mark showed photos of an old navigation arrow that they uncovered at the old Bethany airport. It's 70 feet long and made of concrete. The head points to Hartford and the tail to New York.

There's a fly-in/camp out at the Great Barrington airport on July 16-17.

There will be a pizza truck at MMK on July 16. Come to the airport and get some pizza on that Saturday.

The chapter picnic will be Saturday, September 10.

Mark Scott gave a presentation about avoiding mid-air collisions. Where they happen (80% on final approach!) and things we can do to mitigate them.

--Rick Beebe, secretary