

PASCO Board Minutes Jan. 18, 2011

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Meeting called to order at 8:07pm

Board Members Present:

- Bruce Roberts
- Jim Wallis
- Fred LaSor
- Hans Van Weersch
- Joel Klein

Regional Directors/Governors present/FAA Liaison present

- Jay McDaniels

Rollover Action Items:

- Hans: Find out how to get Bruce as a signatory, and get him bank material & info.
Status: Open
Update: Hans will check if it can be done by mail
- Hans: Find out about reducing the fees on the checking & money market accounts.
Status: In progress - DO at same time as previous item.
- Joel: Continue work on Facebook page. Status: In progress
- Bruce: Find out about getting the Hiller museum for this year's seminars & banquet.
Update: got a price list—now more expensive by about \$150. Total cost: \$2000. May no longer be available on Nov. 5th, so may need to be the 12th
Jim: Maybe have a small expo and charge a nominal fee for vendors to exhibit?
- Fred: Work with Jim to get started on goals & guidelines for new FAA Liaison, then will circulate out to board.
Update: Fred contacted Rolf & Mark encouraged them to get together to discuss turnover and write a 'job description'. Mark replied back that he was interested, but haven't heard back from either of them since.
Fred will follow up. Bruce will speak with Rolf this Saturday at NCSA dinner.
- Larry: Log-ins & passwords should be in multiple hands for all online PASCO resources, just in case. We should put together 'handover docs' with that info. (Peter Deane is administrator of Yahoo Region 11 group?)
- Larry: Work with Hans to get PASCO set up as 501c3 at web host
- Larry: Will check on suitability of google docs for our use.
- Bruce: Email membership with appeal for volunteers to serve on board.

New Action Items:

- Bruce (& Larry?): Clean up PASCO Board email list.

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- Bruce & Hans: Put together info on last year's banquet & seminars cost. (Can that be done with Hans' records, or is anything needed from Mike?)
- Bruce: Will check in with Rolf NCSA dinner on Saturday about FAA Liaison handover progress.
- Bruce: Make appeal to NCSA members on Saturday about joining PASCO board.
- Jim: Write up report to board about progress of West Wind over last year and proposal for West Wind going forward.
- Bruce: Talk with NORCAL training people to see if there's a way to present glider ops info TO them when we come in for tours at NORCAL.
- Jay: Jay: Will ask at the SSA board meeting next week for supporting materials for educating ATC about glider ops.
- Jay: Ask the scholarship applicant for a revision of his write-up for publication in West Wind (This is a reasonable request, as it is part of how the scholarship is promoted, and Jay feels confidant Conner can provide a little more 'color'. Either way it is decided to award the money.)

1. Treasure's report:

- Hans: Not much to report. Working on finishing up banquet report & deposits. Membership renewals are coming in from Ty. Bank balance around \$22,000 currently.

2. Membership:

- No update.

3. Communications – West Wind

- Jim: Next issue is at the printers. 'January/February' issue to go out next week (was Nov/Dec, but was late). This ends the first year of the new format. Thinking about going quarterly to a larger 12-page format. Would be slightly less expensive, and give more room/flexibility for advertising and articles. Has been getting them displayed at FBOs to good response.

4. Communications — Website:

- No update.

5. Safety

- Fred: Nothing to announce at this point. Did get a visit at Minden from a front line supervisor from NORCAL, Ken Sharp—he wanted to see how things were going, and took him for a glider ride. He had no conception of what gliders do. He does now, but that lack of understanding was disheartening. For example, he didn't know that gliders from Truckee transited through to Minden(!)
Joel: Do we need to do a road show to take to NORCAL? Or an 'outreach packet'?

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Jim: Maybe with OLC traces with altitudes for a poster. A project for Mark Montague?

Fred: Ideally take them for a long wave flight out of Minden and sit in the path of the fast movers so they can see it first hand.

Action Item: Bruce will talk with training people to see if there's a way to present TO them when we come in for tours at NORCAL.

Jim: Does the FAA have anything for this—an 'educate your controller' pack.

Jay: Not that I know of—these efforts are more at the local level.

Action Item: Jay: Will ask at the SSA board meeting next week.

6. Contest Updates

- Jay: Only 1 item currently: Air Sailing's Regional Sports Class, July 11-16.

7. Awards

- No update

8. FAA Airspace Liaison Report:

- See above update under Rollover Action Items.

9. Promotions

- Static Displays: Perhaps one or two
- Collegiate Soaring: Jim will continue to develop this idea.
- Other Local Promotions: Both Williams & Hollister each sold over 500 rides with Groupon. Will be interesting to see how that works out.
- Soaring Scholarships: One \$250 "PASCO Private Pilot (Glider) Exam Support Program" Scholarship will be paid to Connor Adams. Jay will ask Connor for a little more color in his write-up for a West Wind article, since the purpose of the article is to promote the program to others.

Jim: Want to put together a list of other scholarships available, such as Kolstad.

10. SSA updates

- Jay: Sent report on Region 11 to the SSA board (circulated to PASCO board last month), off to Philadelphia on the 27th for the upcoming SSA meeting. Will report back.

11. Winch Launch Update

- No update from Marc.
Hans: Lots of chatter on the Yahoo! Group. See that for pictures of truck and mechanical drawings.

12. New Business

- Need to clean up the board mailing list. Bruce can do.

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Meeting adjourned at 9:27pm

Next Meetings: Tuesday Feb 22, 2011 at 8PM, Tuesday March 22 at 8PM