

May 27 Meeting Minutes

Key Outcomes: The board approved the removal of a board member pending a final response window, John Dye's accreditation flight was scheduled for Saturday, and a major scholarship expansion opportunity with a California aviation society is in active negotiation ahead of Oshkosh.

Decisions Made: A motion was approved to remove a board member in good standing; he has until the next meeting (June 17) to address the board before a final vote, with a minimum 12-month ban on reapplication. Once a board member is accredited, they may accredit others directly. New potential board members from Texas and California were identified as a strong fit after a 90-minute conversation with Pete. On polo shirts, Mark will receive a payment link and Pete will order a medium replacement for John.

Key Initiatives: A California aviation society funded 50 paid spin scholarships through a flight training partner for active CFIs and wants to scale nationally through the UPRT network; Pete is meeting them in about two weeks for seven check rides. A podcast-style recorded EAA presentation is planned with Pete as moderator, targeting prospective clients and future members. The Sport Aerobatics article was finalized and sent to the copy editor, with board count adjusted to nine; the network will contribute a page or two every issue. The UPRT survey is open to all but shows a 2:1 before-to-after ratio due to a SurveyMonkey browser-refresh bug, with members urged to close/reopen browsers between surveys.

Pending Confirmation: Board Member's response to the board by the June 17 meeting. Board expansion toward a target of 10 members (Cuckoo and Pete have two candidates, one nearly accredited). Mark's Oshkosh attendance pending surgery scheduling.

Action Items: Pete to drive to John's location Saturday for the accreditation flight, order a medium polo shirt for John, send Mark a payment link, share intro video examples on Instagram for Jeffrey's reference, travel to Northern California for seven check rides and the society meeting, and plan a Boston trip to accredit Rob next. All members to continue pushing the survey (ensuring both before and after completions). Jeffrey to record a smartphone intro video.