

July 12, 2023

Valley Fliers July Board Meeting

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:58

Present: Morrow, Wildstone, DeWitt, Pebworth, Vader, plus 16 members.

Excused Absent: Hewitt

Approval of June Minutes

Jonathan moved to approve. Alan seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

See Alan's handout. The month was a busy one and minimum flying fees were down. The technology item was a Schedulmaster renewal. We probably need to trim the list of instructors as they cost us money every month. The 9MA annual was reasonable in cost and time. We were up about \$7000 on the month (\$4000 after depreciation). Our net income on the year is positive, which is better than last year. We are still oversold by one share. The cash flow for the month shows negative, mostly due to undeposited funds.

Maintenance Officer's Report

117 the compass was ordered. We hope to get a deal on a navigator at Oshkosh. Question from the floor: are other people having trouble starting 117? Jon answered only one cylinder primes in 117. The consensus is to prime it two times even when it is warm. Remaining squawks will be cleared during the engine replacement.

727 IFR certification is being done now. There was a leak in the static and it was fixed today.

9MA Jonathan has heard no complaints.

63S is having transponder issues. Alan said Whidbey had a radar outage yesterday that might have been the issue. The beacon is repaired.

Jonathan said we got some quotes back on the avionics. With autopilot, it would run \$56000 per plane, \$51000 without. We may be able to bring those prices down by reusing some pieces. He will be continuing to work on this, including at Oshkosh. Alan noted the autopilot is 10% more. Sean said he felt to not add it to 9MA would be a step down. Jonathan noted we may also be able to sell the pieces we take out.

Safety Officer's Report

No safety officer report because Chris was out due to a family emergency.

Dan Anderson said the airport is setting up a safety class for September. dealing with the traffic pattern. The frequency will change on August 10, the new frequency is 122.975.

New Business

Plane Washing Dan Anderson has requested to increase his price by \$50/month. Jon notes oil comes off the plane much more easily. After discussion, the board decided to continue with him at the new price.

Parking at Puyallup

Sean has provided everything Puyallup has asked for, so we hope to have four spots confirmed.

August Board Meeting

Sean asked whether we should have a meeting in August. Jonathan moved to cancel it. Kelsey seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Free flight hour won by: Scott Glassmyer

Meeting adjourned at: 7:25

Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be held Wednesday, September 13, with food available at 6:00 pm and business beginning at 6:30 at Trotters Restaurant.