



MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2007

Northern Onondaga Public Library

North Syracuse, NY

ATTENDANCE: KWalsh, EAustin, RGriffith, JMignona, JMostrom, TElia, JAmbrose, YChase, MBanac, HHiguchi, JKleinwaks, ERodriguez, and a guest, Cloud Garmin.

Meeting opened at 18:35 by Eric Austin. Introductions were made. Guests were welcomed.

Jim Ambrose offered a Safety Briefing regarding "IFR Risk Management". The three main themes were Knowledge, Attitude, and Skills. Nice job Jim.

The minutes of the July Membership Meeting were reviewed and approved. Moved to accept by Jim Mignona, 2nd by Kevin Walsh.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Eric reviewed the discussions of the last Board meeting. Main items included sale of N6320C, upgrades to N8198V, proposed By-Laws changes, and new aircraft search status.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jim Mignona offered his last Treasurer's Report. All bills are paid. Jeff Kleinwaks has all the Treasurer's materials, etc. Jeff assumed his duties as the new Treasurer at this meeting. Please direct all Treasurer inquiries to Jeff, and forward all payments to Jeff at the following address:

Syracuse Flying Club
c/o Jeff Kleinwaks
1804 1/2 Cold Springs Rd
Liverpool, NY 13090

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Current Membership: 25 Active and 1 Family Member

Recent Activity: None

Leads: None

CHIEF CFI REPORT:

- With the planned installation of a GPS in 98V, Jim wants to put together a training program for flying with this new equipment. The proposed unit is a Garmin 300XL. Jim will follow up on this.

PLANE CAPTAIN REPORTS:

N8198V: Jim Mostrom offered that maintenance is up to date.

- 98V needs a new ELT battery – there is one available at FZY. Anyone who gets a chance to stop there can get it installed.

- The annual is due at the end of October.

- There was a discussion about restocking spare equipment in the cabinet. Jim Mostrom will put an order together for tires, oil, etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Mignona suggested not installing a GPS in 98V. He offered that the age and mission might not be appropriate for this upgrade. The counter argument was that there was strong support and interest in this upgrade, and it is an introduction to this technology.

There was a short discussion regarding the sale of the Arrow, and what the next steps will be. Recent discussions looked at purchasing a Piper Dakota, the Board is also looking at a Cessna 182. There are pros and cons for each.

One item of carryover from the sale of 20C, was that during the pre-purchase inspection, a number of maintenance issues were uncovered. These have been discussed with Landmark.

New Logo – accepted. Nice job Teri !!!

NEW BUSINESS:

- By-Law changes – there are several proposed changes to the By-Laws. These are attached for member review prior to the Membership meeting on October 11th. A summary of each is as follows:

- Creation of the Chief CFI Officer position. This involves making this position formal.

- Elimination of the Family member. This was not extensively used, and the Board feels that all flying members should share in supporting the expenses of the Club.

- Eliminate the Inactive Member status, and offer a Leave of Absence process in its' place.

- Remove the language that dictates a member to aircraft ratio, replacing it with language that allows the Board to review membership levels and the number of Club aircraft.

The meeting was adjourned at 20:00.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kevin Walsh
Vice President/Secretary