

**LVVSA Meeting Minutes**  
**12 Jan 2019**

**Call to Order:** 1004 hours by Steve Payne. The meeting was held in the Jean Terminal building.

**Attendance:**

Bill Tisdale, Steve Payne, Steve Brown, Terry Tripp, Rob Brandt, Phil LeRoy, Jay McDaniel, Greg Wickmann, Doug Bauer, Al Gough, John McCall, Scott Graham, Ray Logue, Dennis Ballew, Terry VanNoy, Ben Eveland.

**Visitors:** Charles Wang

**Last Month's Minutes:** Voting on the October minutes (November did not have quorum and therefore only had meeting notes) was accomplished. 1<sup>st</sup> to accept Oct minutes was Rob Brandt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Brown. Motion carried.

**Membership:** as of 31 Dec 2018: 43 full members, 6 associate, 5 probationary, = 54 total

**New Full Member Vote:** Due to lack of quorum in November, Lewis Hykes and Dalton Stradtman voting was delayed until this month. Lewis Hykes has since dropped from membership (moved out of state) leaving Dalton Stradtman as the remaining probationary member to vote on. Joseph Vargus vote was due in December, but will be postponed until February by the President. Rob Brandt moved (1<sup>st</sup>) to accept Dalton as a full member, Steve Brown 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried. Congratulations Dalton and welcome as a Full member!

**Treasurers Report:** (as of 31 Dec 2018)

**Banking:**

Checking	\$10,151.79
Savings:	<u>\$3,275.19</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$13,426.98</b>
Less Short Term Debt	\$9,899.98
Less Credit Card Balance	\$217.13
Plus Accounts Receivable	<u>\$ 330.53</u>
<b>Net Balance:</b>	<b>\$ 3,640.40</b>

**Short Term Debt (6 mon. outlook):**

Credit Accts (Over/Under)	\$9,569.45
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**Future Income Estimates:**

2019 Member Dues	\$9,000.00
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**Future Major Expenses:**

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| 1. Pawnee Annual (Feb 19)   |          |
| 2. Bond Payment (Feb 19)    | 5,500.00 |
| 3. April Aircraft Insurance | 7,750.00 |

**Maintenance Items:**

• **Pawnee:**

- o Right main tire is wearing. Almost time to rotate tires. Will swap mains at next oil change or Annual in approximately 10 hours. (OPEN).
- o Left forward canopy window hinge broke again. The fix made at the Annual in Feb has not held. Bill Tisdale asked Al Gough to take a look at the hinge to see if he or someone in Sandy Valley can fix. He agreed. Thanks Al! (OPEN).
- o Annual last weekend in Feb. Ray Logue volunteered available hangar space at Henderson to accomplish the Pawnee annual. Thanks Ray!! (OPEN).

- o Spare (stenciled) Tach has returned and will be stored in MX trailer (CLOSED).
- o Old Left Magneto needs a new housing, repaired and stored in the MX trailer. Phil LeRoy suggested buying a new housing from Ebay and transferring the inards of the magneto to the new housing and getting it certified as our spare. (OPEN).
- **Gliders:**
  - o **Annuals:** 2-33 annuals was accomplished in December. Thanks to all for assisting. The 1-26 annual is next and has been schedule for Saturday, 18 Jan at 0900. All members are encouraged to help assist Dennis Ballew as much as possible. Call him directly for specific guidance. The Nugget annual is due in March. Bill Tisdale suggested that the Scott Graham may have completed the Condition Inspection already. Dennis agreed and will follow up with Scott. The Grob Annual is due in May.
  - o **SGS 1-26:**
    - Vertical fin, previous bondo repair along vertical leading edge has popped loose. Remaining bondo is firm and presents no airworthy issues. Need to sand smooth and possibly repair bondo area or treat the bare aluminum. Featherfill was recommended to be used to fill the missing bondo area. (OPEN)
    - Brake is weak. Phil LeRoy has offered to work and fix the brake (OPEN).
    - Cockpit has a lot of wind noise. Replace cockpit canopy seal (OPEN).
    - Loose seal (reported by Al Gough) on the rear of the canopy prevent the canopy from closing properly. Phil LeRoy re-glued the seal last weekend. (CLOSED).
  - o **SGS 2-33:**
    - Annual completed 22 Dec 18. Glider is airworthy. Small list of write ups to complete (OPEN).
    - Canopy seals deteriorating, need new high-quality replacements (OPEN).
    - Spoiler arm needs lubing (OPEN).
    - Replace attachment bolts (OPEN).
    - Wing repaint. Will have to wait till warmer weather. (OPEN)
    - Left forward arm rest, cracking. Investigate new from AZ Soaring. K&L Soaring may be a new supplier of parts. Parts are expensive and the Club doesn't have money. However, once the Club has a health MX fund, these would be a high priority item to purchase (OPEN).
    - Left aft interior arm rest has crack. Need to replace sooner than later. (OPEN).
    - Fabric patch repair near skid. Needs warmer weather. (OPEN).
    - Aft right leading edge rudder is dented due to rudder lock. Still air worthy (OPEN).
    - Canopy cable attachment fitting is wearing causing a sharp edge. Phil LeRoy is working to address this issue (OPEN).
    - Internal Gust Lock: Rob Brandt has offered to construct the device (OPEN).
    - The spring-steel tail wheel assembly is bent causing the tailwheel not to swivel. The current hockey puck is in need of replacement (OPEN). Phil LeRoy has offered to fix so the hockey puck tail wheel will swivel (OPEN).
    - The brake access inspection cover, plastic ring to hold the cover and protect fabric needs to be glued. Needs warmer weather to repair. (OPEN).
    - Skid needs replacing (OPEN).
    - Dennis will make a plan to address all non-weather dependent MX actions listed above as soon as practical. But the 2-33 is airworthy otherwise. (OPEN).

o **Grob 103:**

- Tape seals on ailerons. Seals were not installed at Annual. Al Gough asked if the seals were really necessary. Phil LeRoy indicated that we should check all aircraft documentation to make sure seals weren't listed as MEL or essential before determining to leave them off. Dennis Ballew took the action to determine. (OPEN)
- Left wing gel-coat has cracks. Jim Madson is continuing to work. Work still in progress. (OPEN).
- Right wing spoiler cap is tapped. Will have to wait until warmer weather. (OPEN)
- Rob retrieved the Grob from California and a small group re-assembled the wings to the fuselage on 15 Dec. Thanks Rob and group! (CLOSED)
- Paint or color the canopy latch a bright color so as to draw attention to it not being secured. (OPEN).

o **LP-15 (Nugget):**

- Matt Baker continues to work on the Nugget. Matt has re-upholstered the cushions and refreshed the entire cockpit, reconfigured the hand brake to the stick and reworked the landing gear. The glider should be able to return to service in the next couple of months. (OPEN)

o **SGS 2-32:**

- Steve Brown plans to order a Decker radio and install front and rear seat PTTs and a speaker box. Parts are in and awaiting cooler weather to install. (OPEN)
- Trim indicator cable needs replacement. Steve is having trouble finding the right cable to repair the trim indicator. Glider is flight worthy. (OPEN).

● **FOO Radio(s) and Cart:**

- o FOO Radio: All 3 FOO radios operational.
- o FOO Cart: Left front tire has slow leak. The tire must be filled every time the cart is used (OPEN).

● **Trailer Maintenance:**

- o Trailer steps need repairing. Rob Brandt and Steve Payne made a temporary fix. A permanent fix is needed. (OPEN).

**Club Equipment Upgrades:** None.

**Safety Items:**

- Need a new Safety Officer and scheduler. President will ask individuals. (OPEN).
- The Extreme One Sky Diving operation was bought out by a new operation (from California). They've indicated they will operate with the same procedures as Extreme One and we familiarized their management with our operations and contact information should they need to contact us.

**Old Business:**

- New trailer: No update. (OPEN).
- Club Trailer Phone Update: Bill Tisdale has done some work on this task, but will take another month. More to follow. (OPEN)
- 2019 Calendars Update: Bill Tisdale has the recent order. Contact him for your calendar. (CLOSED).
- Christmas Party: Successful! Fun had by all! Thanks to everyone for bringing food (George's tri-tip ☺)! (CLOSED)

- Crew Chief MX concept: Dennis hasn't gotten any volunteers to be Crew Chief. Therefore, he will start approaching people. Be prepared to answer in the affirmative! (OPEN).
- CFI-G Scholarships: Phil LeRoy requested LVVSA \$500 support to submit a package for a \$1500 SSA CFI-G scholarship. The Board and membership agreed to support Phil in the form of the \$500 seed money and in his efforts to obtain his CFI-G. The President will coordinate with Phil to help him submit his scholarship package and Phil expressed he intended to use his CFI-G to support the LVVSA as well as soaring in general. (CLOSED).
- TPH Summer Safari: The dates of 7-13 July were initially discussed for the Summer Safari, but several points were made by members that indicated that the Board needed to conduct more research into activities at Tonopah and Ely before exact dates could be recommended and decided. (OPEN).
- Sunday Towing: Membership was reminded to contact Sunday tow pilots to notify them if you were planning to soar that day. Likewise, it was appropriate for Sunday Tow pilots to email the membership to determine the need for their services. All agreed. Terry VanNoy asked if mid-week towing was an option. The Board said "Yes" but it needs to be coordinated between the interested glider pilots and the tow pilot. (CLOSED).
- Soaring Forecast Web Site: John Adair got it fixed! Yay! Thanks John! (CLOSED).
- For the purposes of official documentation, the 2019 Elected LVVSA Club Officers are as follows;
  - President: Steven Payne
  - Vice-President: Dennis Ballew
  - Secretary: Rob Brandt
  - Treasurer: Bill Tisdale

### **New Business:**

- FOO Tow credits. These credits were offered to the membership as an incentive to get more FOOs. The Board has learned that this incentive has not been effective in getting more FOO volunteers while at the same time has put a large financial impact on the club. Therefore the Board recommended to the membership that the FOO Tow credits be terminated starting in 2019. The membership was reminded that the Club would still honor the Tow credits earned and claimed prior to 2019. Bill Tisdale moved that the Club cancel the FOO Tow Credit incentive, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Terry Trip. Motion carried. (CLOSED).
- FOO Scheduling. The members were informed that the Board will start scheduling all Club members to rotate through FOO duties. It is documented in the by-laws that Club members have a responsibility of investment to the Club other than Club dues. Consequently, like towing, instructing and maintaining, FOO duties are an essential part of the Club's operations and success. Greg Wickmann asked if an AM and PM FOO could be scheduled. The Board does not want to manage the FOO schedule to that level, but supports the AM/PM FOO idea as long as it was well coordinated by the two club members. On the flip side, the Board does not support the idea of 4 or 5 different FOO's in a single day. (CLOSED).
- Doug Bauer recommended that the Club look at extending the membership probation period to 1 year and that students pay 50% of instruction costs upfront. The Board will review that suggestion. (OPEN).

### **Calendar items:**

- Spring Banquet: 9 March 19. Unless a member has a different recommendation, Steve Payne will inquire with last year's facility, the Desert Pines Golf Club as to their availability on this date. More information to follow. (OPEN).
- Spring/Early Summer: Mini-Safari to Mesquite, NV. Scott Graham is POC. Scott will start researching this outing and report back to the Club. More to follow. (OPEN).
- April 2019: Roach Dry Lake Bed. Bill Tisdale will reserve 20-21 April with BLM. (OPEN).

### **Misc items:**

- Today's Tow/FOO/Weather/NOTAMS/Ops:
  - Tow Pilot: Scott Graham
  - FOO: Greg Wickmann volunteered. Thanks Gregg!
  - Weather: Chilly, cloudy and 10-15 kt winds from the north.
  - NOTAMS: None

**Motion to Adjourn:** 1<sup>st</sup> by Rob Brandt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Terry Tripp. Motion carried.

- Meeting adjourned at 1114 hrs.