LVVSA Meeting Notes 12 Oct 2019

<u>Call to Order:</u> 1007 hours by Steve Payne. The meeting was held in the Jean Terminal building.

Attendance:

Steve Payne, Doug Bauer, Terry Tripp, Bill Tisdale, Jay McDaniel, Jim Madson, Ben Eveland, James Jackson. We did not have quorum of members or Board, therefore no official meeting or voting.

Visitors: None.

Membership: as of 30 Sep 2019: 46 full members, 6 associate, 3 probationary, = 55 total

<u>Last Month's Minutes:</u> There was not a quorum, so no voting took place.

New Full Member Vote: Matthew Pellnitz (student of Jay McDaniel) was up for full membership vote in previous months, but have been postponed by the President. James Staley and Peter Redweik are up for vote in Nov 2019.

Treasurers Report: (as of 30 Sep 2019)

Banking:

Checking	\$12,549.09	Short Term Debt (6 mon. outlook):	
Savings:	\$9,276.67	Credit Accts (Over/Under) \$	10,806.02
Total:	\$22,310.56		
		Future Major Expenses:	
Less Short Term Debt	\$11,914.06	2020 Bond Payment – Mar 2020	\$ 5,250.00
Less Credit Card Balance	\$1,012.46		
Plus Accounts Receivable	\$390.49	Pawnee Engine Res @ 25/hr	\$ 5,000.00
Net Balance:	\$ 1 1,776.78	Pawnee Fabric Rep @ 12/hr	\$2,400.00

Maintenance Items:

• Pawnee:

- Old Left Magneto needs a new housing, repaired and stored in the MX trailer. Phil LeRoy bought a new housing from Ebay and is determining how much work it will be to transfer the "inards" of the magneto to the new housing and getting it certified as our spare. After looking at this and examining electrical ignition options, Phil questions the wisdom on sinking more \$\$ into a replacement magneto vs investing in a new electronic ignition for the Pawnee which would cost approximately \$1500. The Board agreed and will discuss. (OPEN).
- o Brake Lines in cockpit, Replace. Revisit with Dennis. (OPEN).
- o Rob Brandt reported that the left side rear canopy hinge pin is not secured with a diaper pin. It's currently air-worthy, but the pin that is there now needs to be replaced with a diaper pin. (OPEN)
- o Bill Tisdale reported that the pilot's seat is about due for recovering. We'll start looking for an opportunity to accomplish that repair this winter. (OPEN).

- o Oil, oil filter and air filters changed Saturday, 5 Oct by Bill Tisdale and Rob Brandt. Thanks! (CLOSED).
- o Return spring failed on 29 Sep, reported by Scott Graham. A&P Graham was able to replace the rudder return spring from parts in stock in the Maintenance Trailer on 29 Sep (CLOSED).
- o Scott reported a second issue with the connection cables and clips from the lower rudder horn to the tailwheel ears were also missing. Proper #35 Sash Chain was procured and the clips were replaced from parts in stock prior to flying on 5 Oct. Inspected and log book entries by A&P IA Dennis Ballew (CLOSED).

• Gliders:

o **Annuals:** The Nugget annual is complete, but there are several open write-ups which make it unairworthy. The 2-33 annual is due in December 2019. The 1-26 next January. The Pawnee next February and the Grob next April.

o SGS 1-26: Phil LeRoy is Crew Chief

- Vertical fin, previous bondo repair along vertical leading edge has popped loose. (OPEN)
- Brake is weak. Phil LeRoy has offered to work and fix the brake. It was suggested that our 1-26 may have the wrong tire causing the brake to not work properly (OPEN).
- Cockpit has a lot of wind noise. Replace cockpit canopy seal (OPEN).
- Phil is going to talk to Al Gough about using his hangar as a make-shift paint booth. We'll still need Club members to first remove the surface corrosion of the frame. More planning to follow (OPEN).

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).
- Replace aileron attachment bolts. Dennis ordered. (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 healthy 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).
- The spring-steel tail wheel assembly is worn 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).
- 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. Dennis Ballew researched that the seals are optional and not mandatory equipment but all members felt it was better to have them, than not for reasons of handling quality. We'll proceed with getting them back on the Grob. (OPEN)
- Right wing spoiler cap is taped. Jim Madson fixed the cap. Repair looks great! Thanks Jim!! (CLOSED).

- Paint or color the canopy latch a bright color so as to draw attention to it not being secured.
 (OPEN).
- Bill Tisdale reported that there are a couple of gel-coat cracks starting to form on the nose and wing tips of the Grob. Jim Madson started working on these. Glider is still air worthy (OPEN).

LP-15 (Nugget): Steve Payne is Crew Chief

- Electrical system needs fabrication and installation. (OPEN)
- Oxygen system needs fabrication and installation. (OPEN)
- Vacuum and airspeed system need fabrication and installation. (OPEN)
- Both aileron trailing edges are de-bonding. Scott Graham will investigate. (OPEN)
- Gear door hinge is broken. Scott Graham is identifying a fix. (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 warmer weather to install. (OPEN)
- Trim indicator cable needs replacement. Steve is having trouble finding the right cable to repair the trim indicator. (OPEN)
- Annual complete on 25 May. Glider needs new main and nose tires. Glider is not airworthy until complete. (OPEN).

• FOO Radio(s), Cart and Misc:

- o FOO Cart:
 - Left front tire has slow leak. The tire must be filled every time the cart is used. (OPEN).
 - Batteries were serviced last week after the cart failed. Several cell were found to be dry. We
 may have 1 or ruined batteries. Steve Payne will clean the terminals with a wire brush and
 baking soda. (OPEN)

• Trailer Maintenance:

- o The seal below the main entry door is failing. Rob Brandt offered to take a look (OPEN).
- The main door hinge rod is working its way out of the hinge. It needs to be hammered back into the hinge holes. Steve Payne took the action to address (OPEN).

Club Equipment Upgrades: None.

Safety Items:

- Need a new Safety Officer! (OPEN)
- Aerobatic Event at Jean, 18-20 Oct: The Board learned Friday of this week (Yesterday!!) that an aerobatic event is schedule for Jean airport next weekend. Fortunately, if the weather is good, the Club will be moving to Roach Lake Bed for the weekend. Bill Tisdale will coordinate with the Aerobics Event Manager (Duncan Koerbel) to de-conflict soaring operations for the departure and ferrying of gliders to the Roach Lake Bed. If the weather is bad next weekend forcing the Club to operate out of Jean, it is the Board's opinion that deconfliction with the Aerobatics event is not likely, but Bill Tisdale will attempt to work a solution with Mr. Koerbel. The Board has communicated a formal complaint to the airport manager, Mr. Bruce Daugherty, with respect to the Club not being informed of the aerobatics event by the Clark County Aviation Dept. Also Bill Tisdale sent emails to the FAA complaining of the lack of communication coming from them as well.

• Emergency Procedures: The Club's "Red" folder of Emergency Procedures was reviewed with the members as to what procedures it contained and where the folder can be found (on the countertop above the file cabinets) if needed for an emergency. All members present acknowledged the information.

Old Business:

- Crew Chief MX concept: We still need Crew Chiefs for the Grob and 2-33. In the future, if Dennis approaches you to be a Crew Chief, be prepared to answer in the affirmative! (OPEN)
- FOO Assignment: We haven't had to start plugging folks into FOO duties because we've had good volunteers for the past 2 months. However, we still plan to do this. (OPEN)
- 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. This item will be addressed by the Sortie and Sustainment committees (CLOSED).
- Port-a-Port hangar update. Rumor mill is the answer is "No". But, still waiting on written response. (OPEN)
- Sustainment and Sortie Committee updates: Both committees are taking longer than was previously
 communicated to the membership. Key members are either out of country on previously scheduled vacations
 or have had health issues which has prevented investment of time. The Board will continue to monitor and
 report committee progress.

New Business:

- Roach Lake Bed preparations were discussed. The long range weather forecast looks favorable at this time
 but only goes through Friday. It will be another day or two before we have better idea of the likely forecast.
 If weather cancels the event for this weekend, the next weekend, 27-28 Oct, is the backup weekend. Matt
 Baker confirmed with Steve Payne (prior to the meeting) that he is available to auto tow with his truck. A
 schedule of preparations for the event follows;
 - o Bill Tisdale will order a \$2400 foot rope for the Auto Tow.
 - o Jay McDaniel will make the weather-call on the event by Thursday evening.
 - o Jim Madson (Maddog) and Jay McDaniel will be setting up camp Friday evening
 - O Club members will meet at 0700 at the club trailer to load equipment and supplies onto trailers. A short list of items that need to be loaded are as follows: Picnic tables, awnings, glider and awning tiedowns, Trash cans, tow equipment, fire pits
 - o Approximately 0800, ferry operations will start. Three pilots are needed to ferry the 1-26, 2-33 and Grob to Roach Lake Bed.
- Nominations for Board Officers was scheduled (by the bylaws) to occur at this meeting. Since a quorum was not acquired, today's meeting is not an official meeting and therefore nominations can't be accepted. It was decided that the bylaws will support nominations to the Board via email by 20 Oct. All members will be emailed to make their nominations. On 21 Oct, the Secretary will establish a voting box on the Voting website and all members will be sent, via email, a link to the voting website in order to cast their vote.

Calendar items:

• Roach Lake Bed: 19-20 Oct 2019. Matt Baker offered to use his truck for auto tow. Thanks Matt!

• Christmas Party: 14 Dec. Location and time: TBD. Steve Payne took the action item to find a location. (OPEN).

Misc items:

• Today's Tow/FOO/Weather/NOTAMS/Ops:

o Tow Pilot: Bill Tisdaleo FOO: Terry Tripp

Weather: Winds 10kts out of the N, switching N-NE by afternoon, Lift is -3 to 6K', 78° Hi

o NOTAMS: An unlighted tower 7.8 nm SSW of the field.

Motion to Adjourn: No quorum.

• Meeting terminated at 1053 hrs.