

LVVSA Meeting Minutes
8 Jun 2019

Call to Order: 1006 hours by Steve Payne. The meeting was held in the Jean Terminal building.

Attendance:

Steve Payne, Rob Brandt, Adam Harrington, Doug Bauer, Ray Logue, Terry Tripp, Bill Tisdale, Ben Eveland, Scott Graham, Tracy Carlson, Greg Wickmann, Jay McDaniel.

Visitors:

Membership: as of 31 May 2019: 46 full members, 6 associate, 5 probationary, = 57 total

Last Month's Minutes: Voting on the May 2019 minutes was accomplished. 1st to accept minutes was Bill Tisdale, 2nd Tracy Carlson. Motion carried.

New Full Member Vote: No probationary members to vote on in June. Matthew Pellnitz (student of Jay McDaniel) was up for full membership vote in previous months, but have been postponed by the President. Caleb Hone (student of Scott Graham) is up for vote in July 2019. Anders Hurtig is scheduled to be voted on in Aug 2019.

Member Special Recognition:

- Congratulations to Adam Harrington, a new Commercial Glider Pilot. He passed is check ride 2 weeks ago. Congratulations Adam!!
- On Wednesday, 5 Jun, Dalton Stradtman was awarded the Stoffel Flight Training Scholarship valued at \$2000. Congratulations Dalton! Well deserved!!

Treasurers Report: (as of 31 May 2019)

Banking:

Checking	\$11,400.41
Savings:	<u>\$9,275.73</u>
Total:	\$20,676.14

Less Short Term Debt	\$13,146.68
Less Credit Card Balance	\$698.75
Plus Accounts Receivable	<u>\$ 88.55</u>
Net Balance:	\$ 6,919.26

Short Term Debt (6 mon. outlook):

Credit Accts (Over/Under)	\$13,058.13
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Future Major Expenses:

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| 1. SSA Dues – July | 3,421.50 |
| 2. 2020 Bond Payment – Feb '20 | 5,500.00 |

Maintenance Items:

- **Pawnee:**
 - Left forward canopy window hinge broke again. Rob Brandt took the action to work this item. Thanks Rob! (OPEN).
 - 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 Matt Baker reported that on Wednesday, 8 May, the mixture wouldn't fully retard to CLOSED at the start of the day and at the end of the day. This was Ops checked by Rob Brandt, Steve Payne and Bill Tisdale. No further occurrences. (CLOSED)
- o Brake Lines in cockpit, Replace. Revisit with Dennis. (OPEN).
- o Main tires are starting to wear thin (OPEN).
- o Oil change due within the next 2-4 hours. Steve Payne took the action to accomplish (OPEN).
- o The zerk fitting on the tailwheel needs replacing (OPEN).

- **Gliders:**

- o **Annals:** Club annals are complete until December. The Nugget annual is complete but there are several open write-ups which make it un-airworthy. The 2-33 annual is not due until December 2019. 1-26 next January. Pawnee next February. 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).
 - The lease-back idea with Phil LeRoy wasn't going to logistically work. So Phil is going to talk to Al Gough about using his hangar as a make-shift paint booth (if you're reading this Al...surprise!) in the fall. 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).
 - Spoiler arm needs lubing. Bill Tisdale completed. (CLOSED).
 - 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 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).
 - 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).
 - Skid needs replacing. Adam Harrington turned the skid around so that an unused section of the existing skid is contacting the ground. MX action is complete. Thanks Adam! (CLOSED).

- Altimeter is INOP. Bill Tisdale and Adam Harrington installed a replacement altimeter. Dennis Ballew inspected and approved replacement. MX action complete. Thanks Adam, Bill and Dennis! (CLOSED).
- **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)
 - Left wing gel-coat has cracks. Jim Madson is continuing to work, but the Grob is still airworthy. Jim is to the wet sanding stage and making progress. (OPEN).
 - Right wing spoiler cap is taped. (OPEN)
 - Paint or color the canopy latch a bright color so as to draw attention to it not being secured. (OPEN).
- **LP-15 (Nugget):**
 - 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)
 - Board took the action to develop an action plan to get the Nugget airworthy again. (OPEN)
- **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:**
 - FOO Radio: Steve Payne reviewed radios, all seem OK except one radio is missing an antenna. Steve Payne will investigate further (OPEN).
 - FOO Cart: Left front tire has slow leak. The tire must be filled every time the cart is used. Al Gough suggested inspecting and possibly replacing the valve stem (OPEN).
- **Trailer Maintenance:** The seal below the main entry door is failing. Rob Brandt offered to take a look (OPEN).

Club Equipment Upgrades: None.

Safety Items:

- Need a new Safety Officer! (OPEN)
- Based on the discussion during the Safety brief, members wanted to investigate replacing the Pawnee's Schweizer style quick release with a Tost style quick release. Bill Tisdale investigated and confirmed that an STC kit would cost \$2500 plus install costs. The Club doesn't have the money right now to purchase the Tost

Tow package, but the Board asked the Treasurer (Bill) to ear-mark a certain amount every month for the eventual purchase of a new kit. (CLOSED).

Old Business:

- Crew Chief MX concept: Steve Payne volunteered to be the Nugget Crew Chief. 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. BTW: A bylaws change would be necessary to make these changes. The Board apologized to Doug that we haven't reviewed this suggesting yet, but we will. (OPEN)
- Bill Tisdale investigated the use of electronic payment such as Venmo or Zelle for members to pay Club dues. There doesn't appear to be any significant advantage versus using standard "Bill Pay" type services offered by all Banks. It was decided to table this item. (CLOSED).
- Port-a-Port hangar update. No movement by the County. (OPEN)
- A member inquired about the past discussion of a cookout similar to last year's 30th Anniversary. The Board has not invested in this idea but it will remain an open action item. (OPEN)

New Business: None.

Calendar items:

- Tonopah, Nevada Safari, 7-13 July 19. Greg Wichmann offered to check his schedule to determine when he could tow during Safari week. Thanks Greg. Also, this years' Safari has reduced member participation, therefore we are going to open it up to outside clubs/SSA members to see if 4-5 more gliders would be interested in participating.

Misc items:

- Today's Tow/FOO/Weather/NOTAMS/Ops:
 - Tow Pilot: Greg Wichmann
 - FOO: Terry Trip
 - Weather: Wnds North 12G18 then drop to 7-8 knts, -3 @ 8600'
 - NOTAMS: None.

Motion to Adjourn: 1st by Scott Graham, 2nd by Tracy Carlson. Motion carried.

- Meeting adjourned at 1041 hrs.