

**Oregon Pilots Association Meeting
May 23, 2004
Corvallis, OR OPA Meeting Room**

OPA Board Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by President, Mark Trujillo, at 10:00 AM. Roll call was taken by the secretary. The attendees were quick to note the beautiful floral table arrangements prepared by Louise Parsons.

Officers:

NAME	OFFICE	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mark Trujillo	President	X	
Vacant	President-Elect		X
Dale Evans	Past President	By proxy	
Jim Hutchins	VP Legislative	X	
Corinne Bott	Secretary	X	
Gail Hill	Treasurer	X	
Helen Holman	Membership Services	X	
Amanda Woodruff	Public Relations		X
Chris Ruck	Web Page Master	X	
Gwen Graham	Prop Wash Editor	X	
Chris Ruck	ASEF Executive VP	X	

Regional Directors:

NAME	OFFICE	PRESENT	ABSENT
Region 1	*George Savord		X
Region 2	vacant		X
Region 3	vacant		X
Region 4	*Randall Henderson		X
Region 5	vacant		X
	*dues not paid for 2004		

Chapter Presidents/Representatives:

CHAPTER	NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Albany	Happy Miles	X	
Beaverton	Roger Henderson		X
Central Oregon	Gary Miller		X
Corvallis	Tyler Parsons	X	
Eastern Oregon	Mel Cross		X
Grants Pass	Roy Hogg		X
Jackson County	Butch Milani		X
Klamath Falls	Marshall Alexander		X
Lebanon	Ben Messenger/John McKinney		X - report by Chris R
Lincoln County	Dennis Winningstad		X
Mulino	Eric Heublein	X	
Polk County	Lois Martin		X
Scappoose	Scott Winegar		X
Tillamook	David Winter (moved away)		X
TTD	Joe Smith	X	
Yamhill	Richard Berthelsdorf	X	

Guests:

Bob Bement (Vale), Jim Graham, Dan Miltenberger (sec'y at Albany), Gretchen Bencene

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Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

It was moved and seconded that the February meeting minutes be approved and accepted. Motion carried.

The agenda for the meeting was accepted.

Chapter Presidents Activity Reports:

Albany Chapter – meetings every first Wednesday, 7:00 PM.

1. Happy Miles reported that the group has leased the historic hangar from the city; now the lights work. Chapter members have added carpet and painted the inside. (The outside will be painted next summer.)
2. The cardlock fuel system should be up and working soon. The system is expected to have VERY LOW fuel prices.
3. The chapter meetings include a short “bio” from a selected chapter member at each meeting.

Corvallis Chapter – meets quarterly

1. Tyler Parsons reported that the OPA participation (giving airplane rides) in the Corvallis Airport Days had to be cancelled because of an excessively high premium necessary for liability insurance. The chapter was very disappointed about the late notice received from the city concerning the insurance requirement. There were several suggestions from members about where to obtain less expensive insurance, about checking the AOPA handbook listing “Open House” checklist, and working with the Corvallis Parks Dept.
2. The Collins Foundation B-17 and B-24 are scheduled to be in Corvallis on June 11th through June 13th. Rides will be available for \$400.00.
3. A Corvallis member (Tyler??) flew the ASEP contest winner, Katrina Johns, on May 9th to Cottage Grove. Also along for the ride was her father, Larry Johns. Katrina’s winning entry was a poem, which is now posted on the OPA website.

Lebanon Chapter – meetings on the third Tuesday

1. Chris Ruck reported that the chapter is presently mowing grass around the airport; the project takes one day each month to do, and the chapter is promptly paid \$1000. per mowing by the State Dept. of Aviation.
2. The annual Lebanon Strawberry Festival will be the first weekend in June; this year’s theme is “Strawberry Happiness Is”. The chapter is preparing their float entry for the parade.
3. The annual Pancake Breakfast will be the July 3rd beginning at 6:30 AM. (including short/soft landings; the flour bombing of the local DJ in the outhouse; and a new event – the Airplane Climbing Contest).
4. The annual Garage Sale will be the first weekend in August (the 7th and 8th). They are combining it with a Young Eagles flight on the same day, to get parents involved with both events.
5. The chapter is helping with landscaping around entries in the new security fence at the airport – even obtaining a donation of barkdust to be used.

Mulino Chapter – meetings on the last Wednesday of the month

1. Eric Heublein reported that the chapter had a speaker who lived in New Zealand, who was very interesting to listen to – a CFI.
2. The chapter fly outs continue to happen on the Saturday following meetings. Destinations include Hoquiam, Siletz Bay and Sunriver.
3. The first adopted road clean up was completed – with food served afterward.
4. The annual Blueberry Pancake breakfast will be on the third weekend in July.
5. The CAP is flying gliders out of Mulino again – this sometimes leads to what looks like landings on the downwind runway for their gliders. The gliders appear to be landing against the normal traffic pattern. This is necessary because of the location where the cadets are picked up for their glider rides.
6. The taxiway leading to the restaurant are mowed, and pretty well cleared of gopher holes.
7. The local Mulino EAA chapter has now moved to a new clubhouse at the southeast of the airport.

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Polk County Chapter – meetings on the second Thursday

1. Gail Hill reported that David Martin is the new president of the chapter. David was a former FAA accident investigation counselor, and former editor of Kitplane magazine.
2. The local restaurant, the Star Duster, is now open for breakfast and lunches at the airport. The new owner is also the operator of a local Independence restaurant.
3. Beware that some pilots are flying in the Independence area using no radios – and sometimes landing against the normal traffic flow. Ultralights at the field use RIGHT downwind for runway 34.
4. For the annual Memorial Day celebration, flybys will be limited to 1000 feet AGL at the lowest point, and no aerobatics will be allowed. The Star Duster will sponsor the hamburger feed.

TTD Chapter – meets first Monday each month

1. Joe Smith reported that the March meeting was an educational meeting. In April they watched a video of the recreated flight off the roof of the Multomah Hotel in downtown Portland.
2. Portland International and the Troutdale towers have worked out a letter of agreement that restricts ceilings and distance flown off of Troutdale's runway 25 departures to a distance of one mile, and a Class D ceiling of only 1200 feet MSL when turning to the south for departure, until south of Burnside Street.
3. As of June, the chapter is changing their meetings to the first Monday of each month. The June meeting will be a dinner meeting and include a demonstration of Cirrus airplanes. The dinner meeting will adjourn to the Francis Xavier Restaurant.
4. Apparently rent has increased on the ground that "Laker" NDB is located on – and the NDB may be moved.
5. Darrin Griffin, formerly of the Oregon Department of Aviation, is now the Aviation Director at Troutdale.
6. Joe Smith recently resigned from the Oregon Aviation Board, due to a conflict with new duties as a state senator.

Yamhill Chapter – meets second Monday each month

1. Richard Berthelsdorf that the group's potato potluck with DVD aviation safety video was highly successful.
2. The chapter is completing plans for their annual Plane Wash, to be held on Sunday, June 27th. On the same day, the Lions club at McMinnville will hold their annual Pancake Feed, also at the airport.
3. The June meeting will feature a FAA "PACE" inspection (intensive preflight) on a member airplane.
4. In July, the chapter will again join with the local EAA chapter for their joint annual picnic, to be held at the Chehalem Airpark in Newberg on July 11th, 3:00 PM.

Regional Directors: There are presently no regional directors.

Region 1: Southern Oregon

Region 2: Central & Eastern Oregon

Region 3: Portland Metro

Region 4: Oregon Coast

Region 5: Willamette Valley

Officers Reports:

President

1. Mark Trujillo reported that pilots in both the Salem and Eugene areas are indicating an interest in forming new chapters. Mark gave them copies of the Oregon Pilots Registration database for those areas.

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2. The Polk County chapter has donated a plaque to be annually awarded to the chapter with the best newsletter, in honor of the late Clarence LaCrosse who dedicated so much time and care in preparing the OPA state newsletter for so very many years. The plaque will be presented to a representative of OPA at the Memorial Day Fly In at Independence Airport.
3. The volunteer pilot assistance to the State Board of Education, flying board members to various school districts throughout the state, will not be workable this year. Possibly it can be postponed to September.

Past President

Dale Evans reported by proxy that he attended the OAMA meeting at Salishan Lodge on May 20th. There has been a 90-95% increase in the number of FAM grants; the grant maximums have increased from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

President Elect: vacant

Secretary:

Treasurer:

Gail Hill that income from Certificates of Deposits has decreased drastically since interest rates have dropped. This has led to a decline in State OPA income in that department.

STANDING COMMITTEES

V.P. Legislative:

Jim Hutchins reported that the state task force appointed to proceed with selective divestitures of state airports is recommending that the airports involved must move to a better level of management than prior to the divestiture, and that there be a probationary period for monitoring the results. The state would have a supportive role during this monitoring period, but would be able to revoke the agreement if the terms were not met. Airports already divested are Beaver Marsh (near Klamath Falls) and Lake Billy Chinook.

Ann Crook was replaced as State Aviation Director, and now serves as State Airport Director. Ron Rendie is not the acting Director of Aviation; Mr. Rendie was formerly with the Oregon National Guard.

Joe Smith added that the Aviation Board will have three members whose terms will expire on June 30, 2004. Presently four of the six members represent general aviation.

Public Relations:

Prop Wash:

1. Gwen Graham was introduced by Mark Trujillo. Gwen, former President of the State OPA, of Carousel Mountain Enterprises has been selected by the OPA executive board in a special meeting to edit the State Prop Wash newsletter beginning immediately. Gwen is a writer and graphics designer.
2. Gwen suggests that the Prop Wash and Webmaster integrate their efforts to get OPA information out to all of its members and other interested parties.
3. Prop Wash advertising rates are now published in PDF format on the website. All current advertisers are being contacted and encouraged (with a special rate) to continue their ads. Fall rates will be increasing.
4. Gwen suggested having a section of the Prop Wash: an "OPA AIR MALL" for products with special OPA discounts. Also have regular safety columns, legal issue columns, etc.
5. Each chapter is strongly encouraged to send in news after each meeting of the chapter.
6. There could also be hangar stories, prepared by "Anonymous" authors from chapters, about events that may be of interested to all state members.

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Membership:

Helen Holman reported that the state organization needs to increase membership, to bring in more dues.

Web Master:

ChristineL@proaxis.com

1. Chris Ruck reminded that when viewing the OPA website, it is helpful to hit the computer "refresh" button to make certain that the latest revisions have been included with the web presentation.
2. To advertise local chapter events on the website, be sure to send a poster (via e-mail) to the website and to Gwen Graham at the Prop Wash.
3. Eric Heublein congratulated Chris on a job well-done with revising the website.

SUB COMMITTEES:

By Laws: The by-laws are now in a .PDF file on the website.

1. Jim Hutchins proposed that it is now necessary to change the association's by-laws in order to compensate Gwen Graham for services provided in preparing the Prop Wash. It was moved and seconded to change the by-laws to state that any compensated executive or board member does not have voting privileges as long as that member is compensated. The motion passed.
2. It was also decided to add the membership services position back to an executive board member, but a member who is compensated, and therefore does not have voting privileges.
3. Further discussion clarified that the executive board is composed of: president, president-elect, past-president, public relations, and regional directors (i.e. everyone except the chapter presidents). Committee chairpersons are not voting members of the board.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 PM.

Next meeting:

Saturday, August 21, 2004 10:00 AM, Baker City airport. Confirmation to come later.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Chris Ruck Put link to AOPA Open House Handbook on website
2. Chris Ruck Put Lebanon parade/Strawberry Festival in calendar of events
3. Mark Trujillo Discuss Regional Director positions with board members
4. Gwen Graham Review Prop Wash ad rates increase with Exec. Board
5. Chris Ruck Collect e-mail addresses from FBO's
6. Mark Trujillo Send a copy of the Medford Airport letter to board members
7. Mark Trujillo Contact Mel Cross to verify location of August meeting in Baker City

Upcoming events: Oregon International Airshow – Hillsboro 8/14 and 8/15

Respectfully submitted,

Corinne Bott, Secretary

Aviation Safety & Education Foundation Board Meeting

May 23, 2004

Corvallis, OR Pilots' Lounge

President Mark Trujillo called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The group accepted the secretary's report of a quorum from the earlier meeting of the OPA Board. Helen Holman and Gwen Graham have voting privileges, Jim Hutchins does not.

The Finance Report from Gail Hill was accepted as reported. She bought savings bonds for the winners of the ASEF birthday card contest.

The board discussed the implications of severing the relationship with the Ray Meyers Memorial Trust people. Joe Smith will get a copy of the ASEF by-laws to review. There was discussion about the portion of the bank account that is not a part of the Ray Meyer Memorial Trust. It was moved and seconded that the major portion of the ASEF OPA monies be donated to the ACE program in Portland to sponsor participants. The intent of this donation is to dissolve the OPA portion of the bank account (OPA balance is \$1645), leaving a small balance to pay for closing costs.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Corinne Bott, Secretary