

Colorado Chapter Ninety-Nines Minutes of the July 19, 2008 Board Meeting

The July board meeting was called to order by Chapter Chair Chris Bentley at 10:00 AM at Lynn Mareth's home, prior to our annual picnic. In attendance were Chris Bentley, Margot Plummer, Stephanie Wells, Linda Horn, Gail Schipper, Lynn Mareth, Roxie Juul and Jan McKenzie.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of May board meeting were unanimously approved. There was no June board meeting as that was the day of the Metro (BJC) Open House.

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting is planned for August 9 at 8:00 am at the Metro Airport terminal building, upstairs, prior to the meeting to be held at Redstone College.

Treasurer's Report

The June financial report shows \$6,732.00 in checking and \$5,058.51 in the money market account for a total of \$11,790.51. Of those funds, the following are allocated to specific projects: Flight without Fear - \$4,682.46; Companion Flyer - \$125.29; Scholarship/Donations Fund - \$2,257.87. The financial year-end report will be included in the August newsletter. We made over \$2,000 at the Metro Open House.

There was discussion about finances: what we spend money for, and how we notify and/or get approval from the overall membership. We will start putting an abbreviated financial report in the newsletter each month. There was also discussion on the need to charge \$3 for the picnic and holiday party.

We might ask Chuck Stout give a 15 minute update on his Colorado Aerospace History Project at an upcoming meeting. There was discussion about donating some money to him, but we need more tangible evidence that he is really using the money constructively towards this project.

Upcoming Programs/Meetings

August Meeting: August 9 at 10 am at Redstone College: The program will be presented by Gordon Page.

Air Race Classic meeting: August 11, 6 pm at Linda Horn's house. The main topic of discussion will be fund raising. Chris will write a report on ARC for the newsletter.

September or October meeting: Possible tour of Denver Center in Longmont. Vanita Gallo is setting this up.

Holiday Party: December 6 at Western Air Flight Academy at Metro.

Issues for Discussion

Air Race Classic: The Chapter has agreed to host the start of the Air Race Classic (ARC) next June. As part of this we have to raise \$10,000 that will go to the Air Race Classic for prizes and expenses for the race. With donations and sponsors, we hope to be able to be reimbursed for any monies we take from the chapter accounts. But in the mean time, we need to make payments up front: \$4000 in September, \$3500 in January and \$2500 in March. It was agreed

to put \$2000 in the ARC account ledger. We will plan to indicate the funding status of the ARC start in an upcoming newsletter. The question was asked if we can fund our own members to participate in the ARC, and we cannot because we are a 501(c)(3) organization. Members can, however, request sponsors to support them in the race.

Companion Flyer: This program will be put on hold for now, due to lack of interest. Joni will give the information she has to the chapter. We will move the funds allocated for this back into the operating account.

Flight Without Fear: Next class is scheduled to start on September 29. The FWF committee is working with a group from Perth, Australia to start a program in Australia. They would make a donation to the chapter in return for the use of our materials. We are also working with 99s legal counsel to approve any agreement we make with them. This will be put in the newsletter when more detail is available.

Airmarking: Jan suggested we not undertake an airmarking project next spring due to the ARC start. We may do one in the fall.

Next Fly-In: Lynn Mareth suggested an overnight trip to Steamboat Springs for September 20-21. She will make plans for this.

CarolAnn Garrett: She is looking for donations for ALS as part of her round-the-world flight and speaking tour. This is not something to which our chapter can donate, as the LS organization is not aviation related. However, we will put some information in the newsletter or send out an email so that members will be aware of the opportunity for individual donations..

Operation Fifinella is a historic WASP fly-in to Avenger Field on September 25, 2008. They are looking for volunteers to fly some of the WASPs. There may be some from Colorado who might be looking for rides. We will put this in the next newsletter.

We need a Vice-Chair for the Chapter. This could be someone who might be interested in being Chair in 6 months, which the general elections take place. The nominating committee (Deena and Gail) will work on this.

Chapter Chair, Chris Bentley adjourned the meeting at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully,

Stephanie Wells, Secretary