

## Minutes - St. Louis Flying Club May 7, 2016 Meeting

17 Attending – Charley Royce, Mike Piccirilli, John Heilmann, TJ Smyka, Steve Heidenreich, Mike Landgraf, John Waddell, Don Hamblen, Tim Volk, Rocky Dollarhide, Chris Tebbe, Geoffrey Gallaway, Jim Georgen, Dale Hiltner, Todd Michal, Richard Voth, Richard Hoyt.

Charley Royce opened the meeting at 0945.

Old Business – Reviewed the insurance requirement for 200 PIC hours before obtaining a signoff in the Citabria. The members present were polled to see if there was any interest in requesting that the 200 hour requirement be lowered. There is currently no interest in changing that requirement. The Responsibility List was updated to show Geoff Gallaway replacing Phil Self on the cleaning supply duty.

New Business – The President explained the process for prospective members. The process is not “1<sup>st</sup> come/1<sup>st</sup> served” but rather a rating based on response, interest level, experience (CFI, CFII, AP, IA), etc., and from there a prospect that is deemed the “best fit” for the club is offered to the members for a vote.

The recent By-Law change regarding OshKosh scheduling is now in the latest edition.

The President explained the process for nominating Officers and the duties involved for each position with the intention that members plan for the Fall elections.

VP Report by TJ Smyka – The VP described the process for tracking currency regarding Medical and BFR. The roster is updated monthly and reminders sent to members getting close or past the renewal dates. It is ultimately the members responsibility to maintain currency. The President noted that in Missouri a member that is involved in an accident and is not current (BFR, Medical, night, etc.) has breached the contract and the insurance company is no longer obligated to cover the damages.

Treasurers Report by Mike Piccirilli – Flight hours for the 3 airplanes were reviewed. There was a review of the Treasury status. Assets up 60k account Citabria and Arrow upgrades. Current share value is \$10,579. Current aircraft values are: Arrow - \$77,xxx, Cessna - \$53,xxx, Citabria - \$51,xxx. These numbers come from AOPA’s VREF and are subjective, including additions/subtractions for

paint, interior, and wings and fabric on the Citabria. Don Hamblen offered to get Blue Book values for the airplanes. The spare parts inventory is currently \$1400 and as explained by John Heilmann is a balance between inventory cost and airplane down time.

The Treasurer noted that the Engine Fund has no adjustment for inflation and feels this should be taken into account as some of the projected overhaul dates are so far in the future that the current costs are not realistic. A committee consisting of Jim Georgen, TJ Smyka, Don Hamblen and John Heilmann was formed to investigate the possible shortfall and recommend funding options.

Maintenance Report by John Heilmann – The Citabria upgrades are on track including a new radio, transceiver, intercom and altitude encoder. The fabric will need to be replaced eventually and a decision made as to in-house or outsource.

The Cessna had a new vacuum pump installed and also a seat retainer. The pilot side seat retainer functions best using the L side of the seat release.

The Arrow just came out of the annual with new tires, avionics master switch, new LH gear bushings, new nose gear rod ends, and a 500 hour mag inspection with some new parts. John explained the changes in LS/Exp avionics okayed for our planes and the cost savings associated with that equipment. With the possibility of more changes to come John recommends waiting on upgrades for the Arrow and Cessna with the thought that the Garmin G5 would be a good fit in both those planes.

The G5 could go in the Citabria now and a motion by Tim Volk (Don Hamblen second) to proceed with that was passed 15 – 1. The work on the pass through between B2 and B3 is in progress, new circuit box and ceiling lights are installed in B3 (thanks to Heilmann and Bausano), and plans are for eventually enclosing the 3 hangars floor to ceiling.

OshKosh drawing – with only 2 members requesting planes for OshKosh and both with the Arrow as first choice it was mutually agreed that a coin toss would determine selection. Result was Mike Landgraf has the Arrow and Geoff Gallaway has the Cessna for that week.

Meeting Adjourned at 1130.

