

## Cascade Warbirds Squadron # 2

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Membership – 12 February 2011, Museum of Flight

The CO called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. There were 49 members and guests in attendance.

The following occurred:

- New members and guests were introduced; veterans were recognized and thanked for their service.
- Greg announced that this was the final meeting of the season at MoF; March's meeting will be at HFF at Paine Field – starting at 1:30 PM.
- Fred reminded all that (1) it is time to pay 2011 dues, (2) Reno box seat tickets are still available, (3) scholarship applications from friends and families are encouraged, and (4) squadron calendars are still available.
- Ed's Safety Minute cautioned us that our engines will not run without an adequate quantity of clean, dry fuel. As we get ready to move into flying season, we should take the time for a thorough inspection of the fuel system, all the way from the O-rings on the fuel caps to the fuel line connections to the engines. Take nothing for granted.
- Dave shared the following: (1) safety is paramount and especially so with the type of flying we do. He related the sad story of a recent mid-air that killed the crew of one airplane. (2) There's still room in our Oshkosh house if any are headed that way (3) Be aware of the FAA's aircraft re-registration program (4) State of Washington HB 1847 (aircraft excise tax) has been introduced and needs to be defeated as it was last year; contact your legislators.
- Our first guest speaker was Bob Hill who presented Yellow Wings – Naval Aviation from 1922 to 1944. Very interesting and well-received.
- Our second speaker – a tag team of Stan Kasprzyk and Dan Holmes – gave us an unclassified briefing on the F-22 Raptor, from original design concept through testing and deployment. It was also very interesting and well-received.
- We finished the segment with the auction of a Model Power F-22 Raptor die-cast metal model. Lisa Lance was the winning bidder with a very generous donation to the squadron.
- Greg reminded everyone that next month's meeting will be at HFF at Paine at 1:30 in the PM.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM.

For the Squadron

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