

## Cascade Warbirds – Minutes of the Meeting of the Membership

11 November 2017 – Museum of Flight, Seattle

The CO called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM. There were 47 members and guests in attendance.

The CO welcomed all. New members and guests were introduced.

This being our Annual Veteran Appreciation Day, veterans were asked to stand and be recognized. Then each veteran, in turn, described their service to our country. A standing ovation ensued.

Fred mentioned he was accepting 2018 and future dues, deposits for our Reno race boxes, and payments for the upcoming dinner party on 9 Dec.

Main Event: Ken Wheeler, 15<sup>th</sup> AF B-17 navigator and Dick Nelms, 8<sup>th</sup> AF B-17 pilot took the next hour recalling their 35 combat missions and some of the particularly poignant events from those days. They spent a few minutes at the end for questions and answers.

Ray Carveth, President of the Board of Directors of the Arlington Fly-In, mentioned this would be the 50<sup>th</sup> fly-in and invited all to attend.

Our KYWB segment featured Alex Munro talking about his (uncle's) BT-13B. He traced its history, some of the events he's attended with it, and even a X-country to and from Minnesota.

No-host luncheon follows downstairs in the Wings Café and Ron invited anyone interested to attend the board meeting at 2 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 PM.

For the Squadron

Fred C Smyth

Adjutant