

The Board meeting was called to order at 13:00 in the North View Lounge, Museum of Flight, Seattle.

Members Present:

CO Johnson, XO Desmon, Ops Kasprzyk, At Large Clark, Shoemaker, Edwards, Jackson, Youman.

Absent:

FO Smyth, Morrell, McElroy.

Guests:

Vic Norris, Haug, Shipler.

It was noted that Ron McElroy had resigned from the Board, and replacing him was discussed. Since January 2023 is an "Annual Meeting" (though Not a regularly scheduled Election Year), it was decided that McElroy's replacement would be voted on in January by the Membership. John Clark will interview candidates and make recommendations to the Board in time to notify the Membership prior to the January Vote.

It was noted that Ron Morrell having moved out of the Country was not present at many events and meetings. John Clark will contact Morrell and gauge his interest and whether he, too should be replaced in the January Vote. There was a proposal to allot CWB Funds to fly the entire Board of Directors to Ron's place in Costa Rica for Board Meetings. Motion deferred to Fred for action.

Ops O Stan "Sundance" Kasprzyk noted that he will be gone much of the flying season in 2023 due to commitments teaching his Grandkids to fly in California. Sundance requested to be relieved of his duties as Ops O, and recommended Dan Shoemaker as his replacement, Dan accepted. Discussion among the Board resulted in the following; Dan as Ops O should become a member of the Executive Board. Sundance should remain as Assistant Ops O, to get Dan transitioned smoothly, and it is preferred that Sundance remain a general Board Member. Action Planned - Add the Elevation of Shoemaker to Executive Board / Ops O, and Kasprzyk to General Board Member to the January Vote.

Dan will continue to look for a replacement for the Tour Stop Coordinator position he currently holds. It was noted that we should ask EAA about getting the B-25 and/or Tri-motor out to Seattle for a tour stop while the B-17 is down. Dan will continue in his role as Puyallup Expo Coordinator. Puyallup Expo scheduled for Feb. 25-26, 2023. Nothing heard from them yet.

CO Noted that 2023 Budget requests were due to Fred NLT 15 December.

Discussion was held regarding Veteran Support at the CWB Xmas Party. It was decided to Invite Dick Nelms, with offer of 2 or 3 Hosted Dinners, Hotel rooms as necessary (up to 2) paid for by CWB. (Note: Subsequent Phone Call with Dick indicates that he WILL Attend, does NOT feel a Room is needed)

CWB Fly-bys discussed. It was noted that this is an important part of our Mission to honor Vets. CWB is having challenges getting enough qualified and available pilots to do the 4-ship missing man formations, and that we need to train / recruit more. The financial aspect was discussed, and it was agreed that we should find a way to encourage recipients to donate to the CWB Scholarship fund (rather than to paying for gas). It was noted that we need to be a little selective, so that we do not overload our capabilities to provide these flights. One recipient family has indicated intent to make a donation, likely early next year. Sundance intends to remain active in organizing these fly-bys.

During the last two Missing Man flights at Tahoma Nat'l Cemetery, the "Missing Man", #3, has come BACK Around over the assemblage, smoke on, in a departure from the normal procedure. This however has been VERY Moving for the families / friends on the ground, and very well received. We will consider making this the new CWB normal.

The issue of flight members having ADS-B and transponders ON or OFF during Formation flights / Missing Man was discussed. Current procedure is for all flight members to leave them ON. CO Indicated that IF Flight was given a non-1200 Squawk, this could result in collision alerts on ATC Radar. Dan Shoemaker to inquire within FAA / ATC to see if procedure needs to be refined.

Kerry noted that Harvey Field in Snohomish has a planning meeting upcoming to gather input about a proposal to alter the configuration of the Runways, eliminating the grass Runway, and moving Airport Rd. Public Open House is scheduled Thursday, Dec. 1, 18:00 - 19:30 in Harvey Field Hangar 15 Events Center, 9900 Airport Rd., Snohomish. E-Mail comments to: julie.barrow@rsandh.com

It was noted that the Planned February 2023 CWB Meeting, Feb. 11, 2023, would conflict with the National Warbird Operator's Conference (NWOC) in Palm Springs Feb. 9-12. CO and XO may be attending NWOC. It was decided that remaining Board members would be able to run the CWB meeting, and that no action was necessary.

It was proposed that CWB make a \$300 donation to the Pacific NW Naval Aviation Museum, to aid in the missions of both organizations, and strengthen ties between the two. Action - Budget request for inclusion in 2023 Budget.

There being no further action items, the meeting was adjourned at 15:15 hours.

For the squadron

Fred C Smyth

Adjutant