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NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AND BOARD MEETINGS

REMINDER! The next General Membership Meeting is Wednesday, May 7, at 8:00 PM. The Board Meeting is also on May 7, starting at 7:30 PM.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

[Editor's Note: We just concluded a very successful Flying Start event on Sunday, May 4th. The morning weather started out somewhat cloudy and breezy, but improved as the afternoon progressed. There was a full complement of presenters from several aviation organizations and plenty of visitors. There should be a full report on this event in the next newsletter.]

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT; BIRTHDAYS; NEW MEMBERS by Sharon Kaiser

EAA 533
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 2, 2008

Attending: Bob Bell, Louis Beverly, Bryan Cotton, Brian Jones, Fred Marsh, and Kurt Walrath
Excused: John Flanagan, Sharon Kaiser, and Stephen Thomas
Guests: Jeff Jones, Lou Smith – representing the GST-BOCES aviation program, Dave Walsh

Meeting called to order at 7:45 PM by President Bryan Cotton. The first order of business was the Flying Start program, Sunday May 4th, Noon-4PM. Board members had agreed to contact individuals to be presenters at the event. Bryan Cotton contacted the Soaring School based at Wings of Eagles Discovery Center, but has not received an answer yet. Bryan also contacted member Ryan Smith, to see if his aviation school would be interested, but Ryan has not yet responded. Another contact is Jim Doane, from the FBO flight school. Jim is currently

working on his CFI, and Bryan does not have an answer from Jim as yet. Schweizer may bring a helicopter, but not yet confirmed. Bryan reported that member Jim Suggs' wife, Marion, who is a school principal, has agreed to display posters and pass out handouts in her school.

Brian Jones talked to Lou Kossler, and Lou will come to represent Costa's. Lou also wants to set up a table for the Civil Air Patrol. Joe Costa will donate two flying lessons.

Bob Bell noted that his contact at WETM Channel 18 News is Bob Funter, and to note the spelling correction from the March board minutes.

Kammie Morrissey gave Bryan Cotton a contact for the FAA, regarding any educational programs that might be available. Bryan came to the conclusion that an FAA Seminar would be too much for this Flying Start, and deferred. Bryan also noted that John Flanagan could not attend the meeting, but John will be at Flying Start to present and talk about his Acro Sport.

Bob Bell will introduce Lou Smith at Flying Start, having known Lou for several years, and can point out his many aviation endeavors.

Bryan Cotton introduced and welcomed newly arrived member Dave Walsh, who recently joined EAA 533.

Flying Start discussion moved on to advertising. Louis Beverly has put a flyer together that was included with the March newsletter. Kurt Walrath asked Louis for a stand alone copy in .pdf that could be added to the website. Louis will add GST-BOCES Aviation Studies and the Civil Air Patrol to the flyer. Louis queried if Flying Start wasn't trademarked with EAA national. Brian Jones noted that national used to provide chapters with a lot of Flying Start support materials, but had not done so in recent years. Louis said that national had a standard Flying Start press release that he utilized. Louis also noted that EAA 533 does not have a Flying Start coordinator, whereupon Brian Jones reported that he is the official Coordinator. Louis will use Brian's name as a contact on the flyer.

Brian Jones asked if there could be a Flying Start meeting in a few weeks to firm everything up. Bob Bell said that he would have his contacts completed in the next week, and it was decided to hold the meeting on Wed. April 16th at 7:30 PM.

Business moved on to the grill plate. Stephen Thomas has installed it on the new grill, and did an excellent job.

Bryan Cotton then moved the discussion to a potential Junior Membership Program in EAA 533, in conjunction initially with the GST-BOCES Aviation Studies program. It was noted that Kammie Morrissey alerted EAA 533 to the existence of the program at BOCES. Bryan expressed the opinion that such a program would be good for EAA 533 by helping the chapter gain younger members and help ensure the chapter's viability in the future. Bryan suggested a reduced membership fee for the junior membership. Bryan wasn't sure that the Nieuport project would be suitable, but there might be some other project the young people could be involved with. At that point, Lou Smith was introduced, and Lou reviewed his aviation career, which included an ATP rating, flying for Dalrymple, Elaerco, US Air, Orion, and Ryan. Lou flew 727's and also had fond memories of the Beech 1900. After leaving commercial flying,

Lou got involved with BOCES, and was asked to develop an aviation program. Lou noted that BOCES is a private entity certified by New York State. Public school students take the aviation course as an elective. The course is approved by the State of New York. Lou's strategy for his class is to start with Private Pilot in the center of a circle, with spokes radiating out. The spokes include US Air, Wings of Eagles, TSA among others. It is a two-year course, with certificates awarded for levels of achievement. Lou stated that his students are offering EAA 533 manpower and a willingness to learn. Lou suggested a labor commitment with a certain number of hours required, in addition to the reduced membership fee. Lou believes the students will benefit from the contact with responsible adults. He also noted that it is important to keep the kids busy with hands on work. Lou will bring a display to Flying Start. The GST stands for Greater Southern Tier. Lou's email is lousmith@gstboces.org

Louis Beverly commented that it is part of EAA 533's mandate to encourage aviation in youth. Brian Jones noted that the chapter needs members who will be active with the kids. Fred Marsh said that it is important that kids can "touch" something, not just look at pictures in a book. Kurt Walrath suggested using the CA-65, Norm Griswold's offered donation, as it will not become a flying airplane. Bryan Cotton thought that other donations are possible project aircraft, and noted that the chapter will need members who will come and work with the kids. Louis Beverly observed that if the project is a restoration, it is something tangible, as opposed to the "clean sheet" start to a building project, which can be discouraging.

Lou Smith said that the kids have to "put in their time." Don't just hand them a project without some effort on their part. The ages involved are 16-17. It was generally agreed that a Junior Membership program would be good for the chapter. Louis Beverly made the motion to establish a Junior Membership fee of \$12 per year, and to accept the concept of a junior membership program. Bob Bell seconded, and upon vote, motion was carried. Bryan Cotton said to think about a separate Junior Membership form, as a parent/guardian's signature would be needed. It was suggested that the hourly requirement be 12 hours per year, so it is "12 and 12." Louis Beverly said that a membership coordinator is needed, who would be a sort of taskmaster.

There being no further business for the board meeting, Bryan Cotton moved to adjourn at 8:43 PM, and move on to the general membership meeting. Brian Jones seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kaiser, Secretary

EAA 533
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April 2, 2008

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Meeting called to order at 8:45 PM by President Bryan Cotton. Bryan made a motion to accept the minutes from the March board and membership meetings, Bob Bell seconded, and upon vote, motion was carried. No treasurer's report was given, as John Flanagan couldn't attend the meeting. It was noted that the only known expenditure last month was the hot water heater.

Regarding the Nieuport project, Brian Jones noted that work had progressed on the front axle, brakes, and fitting the front cowling.

Website Editor Kurt Walrath reported that he has made changes to the EAA 533 website. The events page has been updated, with hangar directions added. Kurt needs times for the Pride Ride and NASCAR breakfasts. Pride Ride is 7 – 11 AM, and it was thought that NASCAR was the same. Kurt has added photos of projects in the hangar, and will add a link to the Flying Start flyer. He has also added a link to the current month's newsletter, and will upload .pdf files of past newsletters.

Newsletter Editor Louis Beverly will work with Kurt on converting the newsletter archive to .pdf format. Louis will send out a notice to the membership regarding the Flying Start meeting on April 16th, with the flyer as an attachment.

Heat Committee: Bryan Cotton hasn't seen this month's heat bill yet. The heat fund has a balance of \$289. The total collected this season was \$1,110, with \$821 spent on heat.

Old Business: Flying Start will need chapter members to come and help. Bob Bell noted that he and Kammie will be there. Bryan noted that badged members need to wear their badges at the event, to escort participants. Bob Bell will be authorized to proceed with the badging procedure. Regarding Young Eagle flights at Flying Start, Bryan can fly. Other chapter members who fly Young Eagles are Brian Jones, Fred Marsh, Ralph Wolstenholme, Jim Doane, and Dick Walters. Brian Jones commented that all Young Eagle pilots must be members of EAA national. Sharon Kaiser has contacted pilots for Young Eagle flights in the past. There will be no pancake breakfast before Flying Start. Hot dogs and drinks will need to be bought. John Flanagan usually does the shopping, and he will be asked if he needs help. Bob Bell offered to cook.

Brian Jones reported that the hot water heater has been purchased and is sitting in the back room. Brian will do the installation later. Brian has also booked the Pig Roast man for the Father's Day Pig Roast at the hangar.

Bryan Cotton noted that the next meeting is April 16th for Flying Start final planning. The next board and general membership meeting will be held Wednesday May 7th, 7:30 PM. There

being no further business, upon motion of Bryan Cotton and second of Bob Bell, with assent, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kaiser, Secretary

EAA e-HOTLINE

The EAA e-Hotline subscriptions can be submitted at <https://secure.eaa.org/ehotline/subscribe.html>.
Here are some sample items of interest from the latest issues:

Link Diesel-Powered LSA Debuts at Lakeland

IndUS Aviation introduced the first diesel-powered light-sport aircraft (LSA), the Thorpedo DP, at the Sun 'n Fun Fly-In on Friday. Calling it a step forward in environmentally friendly aviation, IndUS Sales and Marketing Manager Scott Severen said the proof-of-concept aircraft flew in from Dallas, Texas, where IndUS is based, to Florida earlier this week, but the engine, the WAM 120, has been flying on a Thorp T211 in England for the past four years with some 400 hours logged.
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EAA 533 CHAPTER CALENDAR – Events normally held at the Chapter Clubhouse/Hanger

- Board Meeting: 1ST Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM
- Membership Meeting: 1ST Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM
- Nieuport 11 Project Meeting: Every Sunday at 9:00 AM unless there is a breakfast open to the public. It follows the Cook-it-yourself breakfast
- Cook-it-yourself Breakfast: Every Sunday at 7:30 AM
- Newsletter submission deadline: last Wednesday of the month

2008 EVENTS

May 4 - Flying Start – Completed and well attended

June 8 - Vintage Car Show. Breakfast will be \$5.00

June 15 – Father's Day Breakfast/Pig Roast

June 20 – Pride Ride

August 10 – NASCAR Breakfast

TBD – Old Engine Show (to be scheduled after Labor Day)