

Southern Eagle Squadron

Southern Eagles Squadron Meeting Minutes January 19, 2017 Leesburg Community Center

The meeting was called to order by President Carl Angleberger at 7:00 PM.

A quorum was met with 40 members present. Two guests were present, Jeanee Angleberger and Donna Bowen..

- Minutes of the December meeting were approved as presented.
- Carl introduced the 2017 officers. The term officers and board of directors are used interchangeably.
- Secretary Wayne Roethler read the minutes from the officers meeting held January 17, 2017 in the training building at the field.
- Treasurer's report - Due to serious illness treasurer Jerry Rudnitsky has been unable to perform his duties and has resigned his position effective January 18, 2017. Brian Carinder agreed to accept the vacant treasurer's position. The motion to appoint Brian to this position passed unanimously. Brian will get bank authorization tomorrow and will begin paying outstanding bills. A donated laptop computer will be given to Brian to track expenditures and deposits.
- Committee Reports:
 - Membership - Ralph Savino reported SES ended 2016 with 199 paid members. So far 141 member have paid 2017 dues. Including new members, Roger Woehlke, George Slywka, Bob Jonezyk, and Feg Henkel.
 - Field Maintenance - Mickey Murphy, field manager, reported that the white building that was used to store various old items has been cleaned out and wired so it is usable for training, meetings and will also have a flight simulator setup for members use. The helipad is being relocated and enlarged. The PVC flight stations will be rebuilt over a period of time. The sun has taken a toll on the PVC. Also, a handicap flight station sketch was shown. Carl and Mickey will build a prototype and put it into service. If it is successful, several more will be built. This station will be a help for pilots who need stabilization while flying. Mickey will affix a number on the outside of each building for easy identification. Leaks have been sealed in all buildings. One bulletin board has been painted and the other needs some repair.
 - Field Safety - Carl announced that several new safety officers have been appointed. Carl Dilks will be the spokesperson for the safety officers. The extra officers will result in most of the busy flying times being monitored by a safety officer. Most officers have received training on rules and how to approach members when a violation occurs. Pratt Carter a long time safety officer has retired to safety officer emeritus status. Some flying incidences were reported including 8 crashes on a recent Tuesday. A "ticket" or violation slip will be given to pilots who violate the rules. This is just a method to remind pilots they need to

be more careful in the future. The rules are in place to keep pilots and spectators safe and to keep our Club in the good graces of our landlord, Lake County. Carl mentioned that safety officers will attempt to find out the cause for future crashes and incidences. The findings may help in training pilots how to prevent a recurrence. A new pilot safety orientation has been developed and will be given to each new pilot. The goal is to make sure they are aware of club and flying field rules and guidelines.

- Field Mowing - Carl Angleberger reported that all mowing teams are fully staffed. Carl thanked outgoing team members for their service.
- Events - Chris Bell announced a hot dog social to be held at the field 10 AM to noon on Saturday January 28, 2017. He would like to hold some type of event monthly and asked members for ideas on events the club could hold. They could be food related, educational, flying related or?? Chris has a committee to help with these events. 352-430 4097.
- Flight Instruction - Jim Soltysiak (352-408-1040) and Carl Dilks (352 259-5243) are available for flight instruction including buddy box. Call one of them to schedule their help. Jim has 1 current student.

➤ Old Business

- Carl met with Lake County to discuss several important issues relating to our Club as tenants of the Lake County land fill. Carl reported the county agreed to add about 25 feet of hard surface road at the intersection of our access road and Rolling Acres Road. Due to a drainage issue in the area of the North South runway, the county will be working in that area in the coming weeks. They have asked that all flying cease while they are working. An E-mail will be sent to the membership and a sign posted on the gate when we know the dates.
- The cracks in the cement in the pavilion are not preventable because of the unstable soil below. The only solution the county could suggest is to fill in the cracks.
- Any violations of the law and the notice of unauthorized people on the property should be reported by calling 911 and requesting the sheriff's department or Lady Lake police. The county would like to be notified of any of these violations.
- Carl has talked to the local fire dept to help define the correct address for the field. The information is posted on the bulletin board. In case of emergency, call 911 and give them the address of the intersection of Rolling Acres Road and Sun Shower Lane.

➤ New Business

- Carl has refreshed the first aid kit at the field. If items are used please let him know.
- Member Frank Mintz drafted letters to be sent out to 3 private airports within a 5 mile radius of the field. This satisfies an FAA requirement.
- The proposed By-Law changes were approved by unanimous vote.
- Carl announced there are relaxed work rules posted at the field. These new rules were adopted to minimize interruption in flying yet keep workers safe.
- Norm Paddock announced SES hats are still available. Call or see Norm 352-205 2949 or Carl Dilks 352-259 5243.

➤ Richard Mansuetto won the 50 50 drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

A pizza party followed the meeting.

The next SES meeting will be held February 16, 2017