

SUBJECT: OXFORD FLYING CLUB MINUTES

TIME: 7:00 PM Jan 20, 2004

PLACE: KEYSTONE CONFERENCE ROOM

ATTENDEES: Dasilva, Dineen, Donofrio, Fornier, Kett, Leary, Lefcheck, Lerman (ex-member), Manning, Mazanowski, Richardson, Rogers, Schindler, Schmecker, Soares, Smith, Willenbring

GENERAL: The meeting was called to order by Pres. Fornier at 7:05 pm. The Minutes of the meetings of Oct 21, 2003 and Nov 18, 2003 were accepted with corrections. The Treasurers report containing the year end balance sheet and profit and loss statement was distributed and discussed. Brian pointed out that the P&L was not as bad as it looks since the cost of the improvements for N38483 was paid in 2003 at the request of Quest Air instead of 2004 like it would be normally. The Treasurers report was accepted as presented.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

N38483: 95% of the repairs and modifications have been completed. The engine is installed and the interior work is done except for a few minor adjustments. Vin Soares has put about 4 hours flying time on it and proclaims that the engine is running smoothly and the interior looks excellent. Vin also painted the plastic interior trim and it came out great. Vin and Tom both spent a great deal of time helping with the renovation work, and they were thanked by the membership. Larry went over the break in procedures which are posted on the club web site. The total cost of the repairs will be reported next month.

N4384F: The auto pilot and PTT switch have been repaired. The right front cowl fastener has broken off and needs a screw driver to open. The primer pump is very sticky and will be looked at. Winterization plates have been installed on both planes. Larry reminded pilots to remove them if the temperature is above 40 degrees. The annual is scheduled for March 1st.

MEMBERSHIP: Peter reported that he had a couple of recent inquiries on the web site, but no applications.

PLANNING COMMITTEE: Vin Soares reported that 18 members replied to the recently sent out survey and he is working on data reduction now. The committee will meet before next meeting and report recommendations in February.

OLD BUSINESS: Steve said the Christmas party at The Olive Tree was a great success and thanked Ron Schmecker and his wife for putting it together.

The planes will be moved back to the front ramp on or before April 1st.

NEW BUSINESS: Brian is not anticipating an increase in Insurance premium this year but will pursue a quote from AVEMCO as an alternate strategy to save some money. John Leary suggested we look into raising the coverage on N38483 to reflect the increased value due to the recent improvements.

Brian attended a meeting of the “Flying Twenties” flying club at Danbury Airport and had some interesting observations about their operations. They have 3 planes and 50 members, a lot of whom don’t fly. They have different rule and membership classes and premiums and don’t have currency requirements. The initiation fee is \$1000. Brian got the assent of the membership to pursue establishing a relationship with them to share ideas, and will invite them to attend our meetings as observers.

With the resignation of Barry Lerman from the club, Steve Fornier moved up to President leaving the Vice President position vacant. After some discussion, Dun Smith volunteered to fill the position for one year, and the nominating committee will continue searching for a VP candidate to continue our tradition of succession.

Geoff Green requested an extended booking for 11 days over two weekends from July 1st thru July 11th. The request was approved by the membership.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: As VP, Dun Smith will be the chairman, and Len Schindler and Larry Dineen volunteered as members. Brian will shortly send out year end summaries to be reviewed by the members and discrepancies reported to the committee. They will meet before the March meeting to do the Audit.

SAFETY MEETING: there was no safety presentation this month.

The next meeting is February 17th at 7:00 PM at Oxford airport.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted:
Dunham Smith (Substitute Secretary)