OXFORD FLYING CLUB

MEETING MINUTES

July 20th, 2004

Attendees: Dineen, Donofrio, DeChristofaro, Kett, Leary, Manning, Richardson, Sabot, Schindler, Schmecker, Smith, Soares, Willenbring

General: Called to order at 7:05 PM, June minutes approved pending correction of GPS update cost- cost was \$230 for BOTH units, not each.

Treasurer's Report: The club is ok financially, and a balance sheet will be distributed with the next bill.

Maintenance Report: Things are going reasonably smoothly. Both planes have recently had oil changes. N4384F- Turn coordinator replaced. Right main tire changed. The #1 (front right) cylinder primer line was found to be broken or disconnected at the cylinder head; it has been repaired. The airbox recently came apart, it has been repaired. The rear position light is out and the landing light has been reported to be intermittent. Both issues will be addressed. N38483- The left main tire has been replaced. The door lock cylinder has still not been replaced, though parts have allegedly arrived to do so. The instrument standby vacuum system was recently tested and would not turn off; the actuating cable was found to be kinked. The cable has been repaired. The aircraft has been reported as having a flat spot on throttle up, this will be looked in to.

Safety: The recent safety day was a resounding success, thank you e-mails have been sent out to the airport officials and others who assisted. There was a small article in the Waterbury Paper on the event, and all in all the club spent perhaps \$400.00 to put it on. There was some discussion regarding making this an annual event.

The *October meeting* will be held on *Wednesday*, *Oct.* 6th at an airport location to be finalized; this is because it will be combined with a Wings Seminar presentation by Bob Martens. An abbreviated club business meeting will take place either before or after the seminar. The seminar will be open to all, not exclusive to club members.

Membership: Two potential new members have contacted the club- Perry Lasky, a 4000+ hr ATP and CFI who was unable to attend the meeting as he was away flying, and Curtis Mosley, a potential student pilot with zero time who has been through ground school. Curtis sat in on the meeting.

Old Business: The planning committee report was presented (see attached). The proposal therein was accepted after striking the first bullet point; it was voted on and accepted unanimously by those in attendance. The six and twelve month time frames mentioned in the report do not begin until AFTER an third aircraft has been purchased. An aircraft search committee has been formed (Brian W., Peter D., Vin S., Len S., and John L., John will chair the committee). Brian will contact the insurance company to determine what types of aircraft should be ruled out of the search due to insurance concerns.

Safety day- A success, see details above under Safety.

PR/Marketing- Jeff Mayo (a former club member) has volunteered to produce a video on the club. Curt Rogers is willing to carry the ball on this, and will work on the video, etc. More details to follow. Two signs have been put up on local bulletin boards at this point. Ron S. will contact the Voices paper to inquire about advertising rates.

New Business: Summer Picnic—The annual summer picnic will be held at John Leary's on Saturday, August 14th. Details as to the exact time, etc. will follow via e-mail.

Don Heidrich was nominated and voted in to fill the board vacancy left by Bob Chase's departure from the club. The hourly rate will presently remain at \$82.00, fuel prices have been relatively stable.

A review of the 11 day booking was discussed since several have occurred concurrently tying up both aircraft during the prime summer flying season. It was suggested that when scheduling extended bookings to please consider the impact on other club members if both aircraft will be gone at the same time, and to try to schedule the extended trips such that they do not overlap for days-long periods. Also, as a reminder, especially during the summer months, if you have scheduled a plane and are unable to fly, PLEASE cancel as soon as possible and notify others that the plane is available. Thank you.

Adjournment: 8:45 PM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 13th, 2004 at 7:00 PM, Main Terminal, OXC.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick B. Manning