



### **14 November 2017 Special Membership Meeting:**

#### **VOTE ON BYLAWS CHANGE FOR CORPORATE SPONSORED MEMBERSHIP**

Call to Order: 7:02 Quorum for meeting.

Attendance : 15 Present at meeting with 26, Proxy = 41

Present at meeting : Steve Baranowski, Ed Chromczak, Andrew Cunningham, Gavin Earl, Rick Feeney, John Gray, Doug Griffin, Tom Krazowski, Hal Lyons, Leo Mollica, Mahesh Reddy, Peter St. Pierre, Curt Robinson, Burt Stevens, Erik Vitagliano, (15)

Bruce Richardson: appointed Proxy Peter St. Pierre (1)

Robert Ham, John Sturmer, Michael Kroha: appointed Proxy Mahesh Reddy (3)

Patrick Cooper, appointed Proxy: Gavin Earl (1)

Matt Baker, Bob Barron, Steve Belmont, Doug Dingman, Mike Fazio, Geoffrey Green, Don Heidrich, Bob Kuhsel, Jay Monahan, Scott Moore, Ryan Motte, Scott Oloff, Bruce Palmatier, Jim Petrino, Chris Poole, Ray Poole, Stewart Rosen, Izzy Sobkowski, Landon Sock, David Zipkin, Greg Zupkus: Appointed Proxy Burt Stevens ( 21)

**Membership:** Francis Pollaro, Madison CT, Private Instrument. potential member: Interviewed by Doug Griffin and Ed Chromczak. Recommended for membership and accepted by unanimous vote.

**Maintenance** 61 H new lock, back from annual Seats for 61H re- cover all 4 seats. Wayne to send website. Some delay over multiple measurements request by upholstery company. Wayne requested help with removing the seats for final measurements. The Alaska company was chosen for a rapid installation style less than a day down time for self installation of seat upholstery.

**Nominating Committee:** Bruce Richardson not present : Slate of Officers

President- Bob Ham, VP blank, Secretary-Peter St. Pierre, Maintenance-Gavin Earl , Treasurer-Mike Fazio, Membership-Andy Robinson, Activities- Bruce Richardson. Motion by Gavin to Vote on slate and was unanimously accepted. Still searching for VP candidate. Burt explained VP duties as sub for absent President, LRP chair; predominately VP is preparation for taking over as the next president.

**Safety: Deferred:** Matt Baker not present

**LRP** Bob Ham absent: Report on Autopilot for 819: Gavin Earl

Autopilot for 819 C172 and perhaps replacing C182 62Y looking for a cost effective value added Autopilot. Best candidate was TruTrack Vision autopilot: \$5K EAASTC \$100, Install \$2500. RNAV approach: Altitude hold and climb/descend pre-select. Couples through GPS No VOR , No Localizer or radio signals. TruTrack will follow a flight plan in GPS and course headings can be dialed in on the autopilot. Although not coupled to a heading bug there are techniques for using with other approaches and heading changes such as an intercept back to GPS course.

Motion of autopilot not to exceed \$8500. Unanimous:

ADSB out in 737YT; ad hoc committee to research options and recommendations for ADSB out, and options for ADSB in.

Discussion Tradewinds Corporate Membership: 10 slots or memberships

Bullet points for corporate membership category: ( from previous meeting)

1. Regular Monthly Dues (\$135) per member
2. Banktime waived, since most/all are CFI's and flying regularly
3. Flight time billed at standard/prevaling rates
4. Initiation Fee: Waived due to limiting individual access of corporate members
5. Would require a change in bylaws to add new category

Membership By Law Change Vote: Discussion

Article 3 Section 1 C Corporate Sponsored Membership to Fly as approved by Board;

Responsibility Concern: Burt's reply was that the club is responsible. And, just like any other member, any corporate potential member will be vetted and will require initial check out.

Corporate Sponsored Membership definition was requested. Reference was made to the IRS definition for Non Profit. IRS Requires Corp Members to have voting rights and other details in response to concern of a 10 member voting block.

Initiation fee: important to club as income. Discussed at length questioning the waiver considering fairness to regular members and any precedent with Corporate membership along with concerns of inurement. There was a suggestion of collecting the fee and refunding if the 6 months trial with TW is not successful.

Proficiency time for non-CFI corporate members discussed. Bank time waiver differentiates the corporate group from regular club members. Burt: Proficiency was introduced for insurance purposes and has worked well for the club. The waiver is for Professional pilots that fly 50 hours per month since proficiency. Short discussion on

waiver for other regular members that fly outside the club 2 hours per month raise concerns as perhaps impractical, at present, for billing purposes.

Benefits to Club of TW was stated as: \$1350 / month, high quality Pilots flying midweek and nights along with extra winter flying. Additional CFI's for the club needed as both grass and night events only had two instructors available. Hanger space may be available for inclement winter weather. Chance of incidental maintenance on small maintenance issues. There was a challenge as to whether those are real benefits to the club.

Concern for precedent as anyone can form a Corporation to have Corporate member benefits. TW committee needed to help strengthen Club against misuse of Corporate Category.

Motion: define Corporate sponsored membership prior to vote on By Law change to accept membership. Motion failed 8 in favor and 33 opposed.

Vote on Bylaw Change to accept Corporate Sponsored Membership Category:  
8 opposed and 33 in favor of the By law change: Motion carries

Motion that all corporate sponsored members are subject to current regular initiation fee which can be returned the at the end of trial. Motion Withdrawn

Decision to Table discussion on TW members pilots of fees and pilot proficiency time for a later meeting as Old business. Ad hoc formed due to the voiced desire for a more detailed structure for the corporate membership. TW. Gavin, Scott Oloff, Rick Feeney, Burt until end of year: to work on the framework and details specific to TW.

**Membership** : Don Heidrich was not present and membership was taken from website update to verify Quorum requirements. Bylaw changes require a membership vote and 3 week notice. .

**Member Count**

Regular:	50
Student:	0
Mentored Student:	0
Associate:	35
Medical Associate:	5
Associate Emeritus:	2
Other:	0
Total:	92

Quorum = 1/3 of all regular and student members = 17