

Boone County Airport Association Meeting

November 11, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

Boone County Airport

1600 E 250 S

Lebanon, IN 46052

Members in attendance:

Earl Brosman, director

Dick Gurley, treasurer

Gary Helton, member

Chuck Leucht, director

Steve McClure, member

Michael Mossman, secretary

Dick Patterson, member

Mark Rinehart, member

John Saalwaechter, vice president

Jay Schaumberg, member

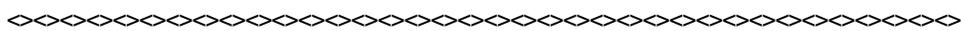
Bill Wagner, member

Charles Westerfield, member

Chad Williams, president

Also present:

Paul Stephan, guest



Club president Chad Williams brought the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Recognition of Veterans — Observing Veterans Day, Chad Williams recognized that five members present, Bill Wagner, Dick Gurley, Dick Patterson, John Saalwaechter and Steve McClure, were all veterans of the armed forces. The club thanked them for their service to our country.

Visiting Aircraft — A twin-engine Italian-built Partenavia aircraft used for NFL surveillance flew in from Green Bay WI and briefly visited Boone County Airport. The aircraft has two IO-360 engines, six seats and cruises at 161 kts. The aircraft carries a half-million dollar HD video camera system in front, which extends down during filming. The camera operator rides in the back, and transmits video and voice to the ground. The crew has a waiver to fly during the event TFRs; during which they must fly at exactly 2,000 feet during a game. The aircraft can stay aloft for up to seven hours. The company operating the aircraft normally uses helicopters on the east and west coast, but they don't have the range to reach the midwest games. Sponsored by GEICO, the company competes directly with blimps for game coverage. Chad Williams presented a brief slide show on the aircraft.

Airport Inspection — INDOT passed the airport's safety inspection with no blemishes. There is one landing light that needs to be replaced.

Energy Reduction — Earl Brosman said that the TV in the operation room draws 300 watts, even if the screen is dark. Club members are asked to turn the TV off when not watching. As a reminder, if the indicator light is on the TV is off. Members also discussed energy costs for leaving the popcorn popper on 24/7 and the costs of operating the refrigerator cabinet and chest freezer.

Equipment Replacement — The popcorn popper in the operations building died; Earl Brosman bought a replacement, and will be disabling the heater plate on the bottom of the new popper to reduce electrical costs. Cost of the popper was \$159. Ron Lehrman donated \$20 towards the replacement cost; Gary Helton offered to donate another \$20. Dick Gurley motioned that the club pay the remaining cost; Chuck Leucht seconded. All voting were in favor; non opposed. John Saalwaechter has a double-door refrigerator that he wants to donate to the club, provided that the club can find volunteers to move it. Earl Brosman volunteered to move it with assistance and will pick up an iron filter for the ice maker.

Maintenance Building — The water has been shut off in the maintenance building for the winter. If a member needs water they will need to connect a hose to the spigot in the well housing so that the water system will not need to be re-winterized. There is a power wire to the maintenance building temporarily laying on the ground. It will be buried when the new hangar is finished.

Snow Plow — The snow plow dump truck needs a new cutting edge. The cutting edge will need to fit a 10-foot Western plow, along with new bolts. Cutting edge cost is estimated to be \$300 to \$400. Earl Brosman will pick one up from Mid State Truck on Allisonville Rd. Chad Williams and Chuck Leucht volunteered to install it. The truck will also need an oil change before the plowing season.

Club Equipment — Earl Brosman bought a riveting set from the Indianapolis International Airport auction for \$50, and would like for the club to buy it. Chad Williams motioned that the club buy the set, Michael Mossman seconded. All voting were in favor, none opposed. The set will temporarily stay in the operations building near the engine preheater. Members are asked to look for a lockable tool cabinet that can be kept in the maintenance hangar.

Fuel System — The south avgas pump is 100% operation but the north pump has lost its prime. The South pump needs the gallon tenths numbers painted back on. Members are asked to use the south pump and keep careful records so that the fuel consumption can be calculated down the the tenth of a gallon. Terry Culley, who is the inspector covering Boone County, has reported that the fuel pumps are accurate.

New Aircraft — Don Geisler is bringing a very nice Piper Archer to the field for a pre-buy inspection. If he buys the Archer it may be available for members to use. Chad Williams recommends that if anyone flies it they should have the aircraft listed on their insurance policy for replacement value.

Hangar Replacement — It was reported that the new hangar replacing the recently-razed southern hangar building may be started on November 17.

Other Business — Mark Rinehart reported that while cleaning out his hangar he found a vertical and horizontal stabilizer on top of the storage room. Both belong to Mike Jackson, who reportedly still wants them. Some members suggested that Don Deckard has a key to his storage unit and will move the parts to the room.

Holiday Party — Chad Williams recommended that the annual holiday party be held on either January 10 or 17, 2015, both of which are Saturdays. The club informally decided on January 10, with January 17 as an alternative date. The party will be held in lieu of a monthly meeting. Chad will contact Green Street Station in Brownsburg for a reservation. If anyone in the club is interested in hosting the party at a different location they are welcome to make the contact and bring their findings to the club, otherwise the party will be at Green Street. The club will again conduct a White Elephant gift exchange at the party.

Treasurer's Report — Checking account: \$7,203.81. Savings account: \$5,031.31. Fuel account: \$3,996.39. Value of remaining fuel is \$1,625. The club is still slightly ahead of budget for the year due to some rents being paid in advance, but are \$400 over budget for expenses. Our propane expense is probably higher because of the leak in the line, but insurance was \$700 less than budgeted. Auto gas is up \$600 for the year.

2015 Budget Discussion — Duck Gurley proposed a draft budget for 2015. Dick projects that the club's expenses will be roughly what they were for 2014; the big variable will be revenue, which is primarily hangar rent. The club has a few vacant open-air hangars not generating revenue. We do not currently know if the new replacement hangar will generate any monthly rent for the club, nor do we know if the new hangar will cause an increase in the club's monthly property rent. At the club's current hangar occupancy rate we will be running at a deficit in 2015. There are currently too many variables to predict what the deficit will be. Chad Williams recommended that the club table any discussion about rent increases until at least the first of the year when the status of the replacement hangar is known.

Adjournment — Dick Gurley motioned to adjourn; Charles Westerfield seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Michael Mossman, BCAA Secretary