



*Reno-Tahoe Aviation Group
Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2022*

I. Call to Order

RTAG President Dr. Bob Larkin called to order the Board of Directors meeting of the Reno-Tahoe Aviation Group at 5:30pm on November 2, 2022, at Atlantic Aviation, 655 S. Rock Blvd, Reno, NV 89502.

II. Roll Call

A roll call was not conducted. The following officers and directors were present:

Dr. Bob Larkin – President
Richard Polivy - Treasurer
Karen Inda – Secretary
Michael Cleveland – Director
Tom Dyer – Director
Trygve Inda – Director
Mark Stiving – Director

III. Old Business

Operation Santa Claus

Karen has been attending OSC planning meetings with the RTAA. So far, there are about 10 airplanes in the Parade of Planes. Collin Justis, who has marshalled at the Reno Air Races and Oshkosh, has agreed to marshal the Parade of Planes. He will meet with Dr. Bob to discuss marshalling this event and he will lead the safety briefing on Friday, December 9th, in Atlantic Aviation's hangar. Mark Stiving will announce the parade. Mark will call participating pilots before the event to discuss interesting things to say. Tom asked where participating pilots should park their aircraft in order to come inside and enjoy the festivities. Karen will ask at the next OSC planning meeting on November 15th.

Adopt-a-Spot

There was a discussion about whether our Adopt-a-Spot sign should only have RTAG's logo, or whether there should also be text, such as, "In honor of members who have flown west." Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB) allows either a logo or text, but not both. Tom moved to approve the sign with the logo. Trygve seconded. All in favor. None opposed. Karen will notify KTMB that the sign has been approved and will find out when and where it will be placed.

RTAG Photo Shoot

Directors discussed the details of the event, including the flyer and pricing. Dr. Bob suggested we use the grandstand for photos.



RTAG Merchandise

Karen has been working on designs for RTAG shirts and other merchandise to sell online. Jordan and Sue West, who attended the meeting as prospective directors, will assist.

IV. New Business

Alternative to PayPal

RTAG's website only has one payment processor. If it were to go down during a major event, members would be unable to make payments. Richard has researched alternatives to PayPal and said that Square is the best option. Directors discussed establishing a Square account. Jordan said that the first reader is free and that he can help set up the website. Mark said that tapping the card is cheaper for the vendor than sliding. Tom motioned to keep using PayPal and add Square. Trygve seconded. All in favor. None opposed.

Elections

The Board of Directors is elected every two years. The next election is in February. The new board will elect the new officers and the transition will take place at the Celebration of Aviation Banquet on March 4th.

Tower Tours

Several members have expressed interest in tours of the Reno Air Traffic Control Tower. Dr. Bob will work with Larry Cheek of the local FSDO to arrange it.

Fly-Outs

The next fly-out is scheduled for Saturday, November 12th, for brunch at Breezy's Wings and Wheels Restaurant in Red Bluff. Meet on the KRBL ramp at 10am. RSVP to Tom Dyer.

There will not be a fly-out in December because of Operation Santa Claus, nor in January because of the Photo Shoot. The February fly-out will be to KHTH. Tom will work on making this a joint event with other aviation groups in the area.

RTAG Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, December 7th, 5:30pm: RTAG General Meeting with WINGS Credit Program, CAP.

Wednesday, January 4th, 5:30pm: RTAG Board of Directors, Atlantic Aviation

Wednesday, February 1st, 5:30pm: RTAG General Meeting with WINGS Credit Program and elections, CAP.

There's no RTAG meeting in March because of the Celebration of Aviation Banquet on March 4th.

V. Committee Reports

Liaison Committee

Michael will work with CAP and the Air National Guard on Operation Santa Claus.



Outreach Committee

Dr. Bob and Jim Rundle are meeting regularly with RTAA CEO Daren Griffin to discuss GA development of the northeast corner of the airfield. Construction on Phase One (a large box hangar) is expected to begin in about two weeks. Phase Two will be a self-serve fuel station and wash rack. Phase Three will be T-hangars. Phase Four will be a run-up area on Taxiway C, east of Runway 17L, between Taxiway D and the end of Taxiway C. Phase Four is expected to be completed next spring.

Scholarship Committee

This year's scholarship funds have been paid out to the winners. A total of \$5000 in scholarship funds are available for 2023. The committee will determine how this will be divided.

VI. Adjournment

Dr. Bob Larkin adjourned the meeting at 7:12pm.

Minutes submitted by Karen Inda.