

Reno-Tahoe Aviation Group Board of Directors Meeting 1/3/24

I. Call to Order

RTAG President Karen Inda called to order a Board of Directors meeting of the Reno-Tahoe Aviation Group at 5:30pm on January 3rd, 2024, at Atlantic Aviation, 655 S. Rock Blvd., Reno, NV 89502.

II. <u>Roll Call</u>

A roll call was not conducted. The following officers and directors were present. Karen Inda - President Jack Woods - Secretary Tom Dyer - Treasurer Karla Werning - Director Michael Cleveland - Director Joe Rajacic - Director Trygve Inda - Director

III. <u>Committee Updates</u>

Scholarships - We have not received any applications yet. Karla will come up with a date in February to review applications. Two scholarships will be awarded. Tom and Joe volunteered to help review applications and decide recipients. Tom will also review account balances.

The board has decided against forming a 501c3 entity. A 501c3 requires more paperwork, a second board of directors, and it is not clear whether a 501c3 will attract more contributions. RTAG is currently a 501c4 organization, so corporations can write off contributions.

Karla has contacted Great Basin Aviation and Biggest Little Flight School about the scholarships. We have posted notices in the Stellar West building (where NV Flight is located). Tom might fly to Carson or Minden airports with flyers.

Educational Programs - We are set up for the Flying to Mexico seminar. Tacos will be donated by Francisco. Options will be available for folks with dietary restrictions. There will be a recap of 2023 Local Accidents for WINGS credit. The event will take place Feb 7th at Civil Air Patrol.

Tom suggested that he lead a seminar about flying into Oshkosk EAA Airventure. Karen suggested that each seminar have a short segment on flying to a difficult local airport.

RTAG email survey. How can RTAG meet the needs of the community? What kinds of seminars should we provide?



Fallon NAS Tour Update - No update.

Nevada Aviation Day at Reno-Stead - Karen attended a planning meeting with Tom Hall. This will be somewhat of a fly-in with aviation vendors, organizations, schools, etc. This will take place in September 2025. Tom Dyer will attend with Karen to represent RTAG.

Fundraising / **Merchandise** - Jack met with Jordan. Jack will coordinate with Karen to gain access to the Wix website platform. RTAG merchandise should be available at the banquet. Email Jack or Karen with any ideas for merch, such as slogans. We should make sure slogans and artwork are not copyrighted before we sell merchandise.

Membership - Announcements are sent out using DirectMail currently. Jordan set up the membership list in a Google Doc. Karen will share the Google Doc with Tom and Jack.

Tom Dyer made a motion to dissolve the Membership Committee. Karla Werning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Recruitment - Joe will reach out to Stellar Aviation for a list of tenants. Karen will reach out to Adam Tenant at RTAA for permission to post flyers/magnets/stickers on hangars.

FlyOuts Committee - Tom Dyer will remain chair of the FlyOuts Committee. Trygve has volunteered to help organize flyouts. Tom proposed a flyout to Buckeye, Arizona for the <u>2024</u> <u>Buckeye Air Fair</u>, and a summertime flyout to Half Moon Bay with Livermore as an alternate. This may be accompanied by a pilot seminar, briefing the flight through the Bravo airspace and the Bay Tour. NorCal TRACON fly-in/tour is still planned for May.

Next flyout is planned for January 20th, possibly to O43.

IV. Proposed Meeting Dates

Board of Directors: April 3rd, June 5th, September 4th, November 6th, and January 8, 2025.

Safety Seminars: May 1st, October 2nd, December 4th, 2024, and February 5th, 2025.

The board approved these dates.

V. Banquet Ideas for Discussion

General Discussion - We have approximately 30 extra minutes of presentations this year. There was a discussion about the schedule, the menu, and pricing. Jack will 3D print a model airplane.



Silent Auction - All donated items \$50 in value and greater will be used for the silent auction. Items under \$50 will be used for bingo prizes. The BOD decided not to allow online early bidding. Karen will forward a "Contribution Request" letter to all board members. This can be printed and sent to businesses to solicit contributions for the silent auction and raffle.

Sponsors - Companies that contribute \$1,000 receive a table for 8 and their logo on our printed advertising and website for a year. Tom will ask Stellar if they want to sponsor RTAG again this year. Some merchants give "in kind" donations, such as RPI, which provides printing services.

Bingo Presenter - Is Dawn Magowan able to do this again this year? Karen will ask.

Antique Model Airplane - Karen proposed to raffle off a large, vintage model airplane. Karla proposed to make this a silent auction item and Karen agreed. The board agreed to encourage wearing vintage aviation clothing to the banquet.

Set Up - Directors will arrive at 3PM to set up for the event.

Picture Display - We should show images similar to how NV Flight displays images in their office. Jack will provide photos. Trygve will ask Cherie how their screen works.

VI. <u>New Business</u>

RTAG Business Directory - Active RTAG members would pay \$10/year to post their businesses on the website. Jack proposed a form where members can indicate interest. RTAG reserves the right to refuse this service to any member - businesses must be legal, etc.

Correspondence from US Department of Commerce - Should RTAG support raising the mandatory ATP retirement age from 65-67. The RTAG board agrees this is outside the scope of our organization.

VII. Directors' Comments

No comments.

VIII. Adjournment

Karen adjourned the meeting at 7:17pm.

Minutes submitted by Jack Woods.