Reno-Tahoe Aviation Group
Board of Directors Meeting
6/24/26

I. <u>Call to Order</u>
RTAG President Karla Werning called to order the Board of Directors meeting of the Reno-Tahoe Aviation Group at 5:32 PM, Wednesday, June 24th, 2026, 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:
Karla Werning - President
Kari Inda - Vice-President
Jack Woods - Secretary
Keegan McCormick - Director
Trygve Inda - Director
Kurtis LeMay - Director

III. <u>Business</u>

1. NV Flight Closure
    a. NV Flight announced they will cease operations July 31st, 2026.
    b. Trygve and Kari are starting a successor school (unaffiliated with NV Flight) most likely with a membership subscription model, at least two Piper Cherokees, and the AATD Simulator that was at NV Flight.
2. Banquet Debrief
    a. The speaker was amazing, the food was great, and the evening was enjoyable overall. Room for improvement includes the check-in process and choice of raffle items.
3. Planning Future General Meetings
    a. Location
        i. With the closure of The Hangar at Cloud9 and potential conflicts between competing on-field businesses, the directors have decided to hold general meetings and other events at Civil Air Patrol for the time being.
    b. Refreshments
        i. There was a discussion about whether it's important to provide food at general meetings. While some questioned whether RTAG should spend money on food, most directors agreed that food increases attendance at meetings.
        ii. Kari and Trygve are starting a new aviation business and will consider providing food for meetings as an "in kind" RTAG sponsorship.
    c. Frequency
        i. The directors agreed on having four general meetings per year and four board meetings per year, with no meetings in the months of July and December.
    d. Mini-Scholarships and Swag Raffles
        i. Discussion on changing the structure of mini-scholarships awarded at general meetings. Mini-scholarships draw attendees to meetings, but older aircraft

owners don't get excited about a $250 flight training scholarship. The board adopted a modification to the scholarship. It is now an "aviation award" that can be spent on anything aviation related, including fuel, flight training, aircraft maintenance, or a new headset. Funds will be paid on a reimbursement basis.

e. WINGS Credit
    i. Trygve is on the FAASTeam and will coordinate with Educational Programs Team Leader Kurtis LeMay to set up FAA WINGS credit for meetings.
f. Sponsorships
    i. Each RTAG sponsor will have a minute to talk at each general meeting.
g. Plans for upcoming meetings
    i. August 4th
        1. Joe Rajacic will talk about his recent in-flight emergency
        2. Someone from the RTAA will talk about GA Security
    ii. October 6th
        1. Loren Acton will talk more about his experiences on the Space Shuttle *Challenger*.

IV. <u>Committee Reports</u>

1. Educational Programs Team - Kurtis
    a. Will investigate ideas such as TRACON and tower tours, a conversation with ATC, ditching in the water, wilderness survival, and a presentation by a balloon pilot
2. Special Events Team - Kari
    a. Idea: RTAG Paint & Sip Scholarship Fundraiser
        i. Kari presented her N3N Engine Rebuild Paint & Sip painting
        ii. Attendees would paint the aircraft of their choice on canvas
        iii. $50 per person for instructor, materials & refreshments.
3. Fundraising Team - Jack
    a. Jack to look into Zeffy
    b. No merch sold
    c. 99 paid members in Wix right now
4. Airport Relations Team - Position Available
    a. Karla has been attending the RTIA User Group Meetings on behalf of RTAG.
5. Scholarships Team - Karla
    a. Karla suggested that 100% of the scholarship process be done online next year.
    b. The Gillemot Foundation / Pathways to Aviation plans to give RTAG $10,000 for scholarships each year. There was a discussion about RTAG also granting scholarships from its own funds.
6. Tech & Social Media Team - Keegan
    a. Reposted CAF & EAA events, and taxiway updates on RTAG social media
    b. Once the Paint & Sip is scheduled, Keegan will post a flyer and QR code
    c. How do we reach people who don't use email?
        i. Facebook
        ii. Text message? - Zoho does not support this
7. Fly-Outs Team - Trygve
    a. No fly-outs until September - NV Flight closure consuming a lot of time right now

IV. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM.
Minutes submitted by Jack Woods.