

SAFE Board of Directors

Board Discussion
Record of Meeting

December 8, 2010



Roll call

Mark Adams	Arlynn McMahon
Tom Benenson	Doug Stewart
Alan Davis	Donna Wilt

Call to order

Without a quorum, normal board business could not be conducted. Chairman Doug Stewart called the meeting to order at 20:08 EDT.

Approval of minutes

The November meeting minutes will be approved during a future meeting.

Treasurer's report

Larry provided his report via email. It is an attachment to these minutes, see page 3.

Committee reports

Mentoring

Donna thanked the board for their review of her draft mentoring form. She has made changes as result of that review/input. She expects to have forms ready by January . Next task will be developing a committee to match mentees and mentors.

Training Reform Symposium

Next symposium committee meeting is Friday, December 10. Momentum continues to build. AOPA is interested in participating in the symposium. COPA is now a stakeholder. Others have expressed interest.

Library update

Alan has received several new articles which will be reviewed and added to the library over the next week or so. Additional FAA publications will be added in January.

A discussion regarding peer review of a SUA article by Larry Bothe confirmed Larry's premise. Excerpts from a FAA General Counsel letter will be included with the article.

Old Business

Insurance

Marketing director for Starr Aviation contacted Doug and expressed interest in sponsorship of the Training Reform Symposium. That discussion is ongoing.

Aviation Educator Hall of Fame

This item will be tabled and reintroduced as new business (April/May 2011).

Database Integration

Larry provided an email update. His review of various products will continue in earnest during December.

Governance

Review continues. Mark expects to have project completed this month and provide a final report in January.

AOPA Summit

Doug reported that AOPA will be conducting four regional meetings during 2011 regarding student retention. They will be seeking additional input from flight instruction providers.

New Business

WAI/SAFE Scholarship

Donna reports selection committee is formed and recipient selection will begin soon. Selection process must be completed by January 21.

Participation in awards banquet by SAFE rep discussed. WAI conference is February 24- 26 in Reno. Final details will be set at January meeting.

Board member nominations

Mark reported that the process begins the last week of January with solicitation of nominees. Bylaws require slate of nominees be presented to board by March.

FAA FIRC Meeting

Cause – FAA Runway Safety Office staff conducted a runway safety quiz of FIRC attendees prior to their course. Overall result was an approximate 62% fail rate. An earlier quiz of airline pilots resulted in similar results. The Runway Safety saw this as a failure of the FIRC program.

Result – over 50 flight instruction industry representatives participated in the two-day meeting. Final outcome is a revised AC –G, expected publication during Summer 2011. Major changes to core subjects expected.

Doug's request for input from SAFE members was overwhelming. More than 40 members provided valuable, passionate responses

Doug's full report will be in an upcoming issue of SAFE's electronic newsletter.

Recent communication

A current SAFE sponsor in an email to Doug suggested a partnership in an annual innovation award. More on this subject as details become available.

Next meeting / Adjournment

The next board meeting will be January 12, 2011.

Doug closed the discussion with warm holiday wishes for all at 2106 EST.

Attachment

Treasurer's Report

Larry (12/6/2010)

Here is the Treasurer's Report covering the month of November, 2010.

All our bills, including Jenny's bill for November (\$927) are paid*. During November we had "sales" of \$1290 (mostly memberships, new & renewal) and expenses of \$2135 (mostly Jenny fees and Doug travel), leaving us with a balance of \$23,430; down from \$24,262 last month. We did not receive any donations or corporate sponsorships in November.

Our 2009 federal and state tax returns were filed on time in November.

No response yet on our 501.c.3 application.

*We still have the \$2500 open invoice from Crowley-Fleck for legal services on the 5010.c.3 application.