

**Auburn Aviation Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2024**

Attendees

In person:

Doug McDougall
David M. Dwelle
Doug Fee
Chris Haven
Don Wolfe

Via Zoom:

David Sanborn
Joanie Mooneyham

I. Called to order by President McDougall at 1:10 PM

II. Don Wolfe discussion items

- A. Keeping accurate records of life members, especially those who donate directly to Placer Community Foundation
 - 1. Chris Haven stated that she can track those on-line
 - 2. Wolfe suggests a one-time audit to make sure life memberships are correctly credited
 - a. Motion that Wolfe and Haven will perform the audit. (Wolfe/D.M.Dwelle), passed 7/0
- B. Reported on planned Career Day on January 27, 2024
 - 1. Expenses expected:
 - a. Snacks \$300
 - b. Hotel rooms for two out-of-town presenters \$400
 - c. Wolfe will look for less expensive hotel rooms
 - 2. Motion to approve expenditures on these items not to exceed \$700 (Fee/Wolfe), passed 7/0

III. Doug Fee discussion items

- A. New brick order received
 - 1. Agreed to delay installation of existing bricks until newly ordered bricks can be obtained
 - 2. New order is proposed to be paid for with a stock transfer
 - a. Agreed that best solution is to route stock transfer through Placer Community Foundation
 - b. Fee will coordinate

IV. Additional cost items for career day (Wolfe)

- A. AAA ball caps, \$16/ea, total \$496
- B. Friendship coins, total \$735
- C. Career day posters

- D. Bud Anderson books
 - E. Grand total \$1623
 - F. Motion to approve these expenditures totaling \$1,623 (D.M.Dwelle/Haven) passed 7/0
- V. General discussion of best option for video screen for career day
- A. AAA projector on blank wall
- VI. Discussion of how best to publicize Wreaths Across America events
- A. Invite WAA representative to speak at AAA monthly meeting several months before WAA event
- VII. Don Wolfe initiated discussion of AAA's ongoing organizational expenses versus income
- A. Website, misc. state registration fees totaling around \$7,500 annually.
 - B. Membership income around \$2,780
 - C. Should we be carrying liability insurance?
 - 1. Wolfe will investigate options
 - D. Should we consider an increase in our membership dues?
 - 1. Should we consider soliciting donations from membership, including life members?
 - 2. McDougall will float the idea in an upcoming Prop Wash President's message
 - E. Wild Apricot costs are increasing
 - 1. Discussion of ways to reduce costs and increase income
- VIII. California State Aviation Expo in Sacramento, January 2024
- A. McDougall and Wolfe will attend as a "fact finding" mission for AAA.
 - 1. Should we participate in future years' events?
- X. Discussion as to whether or not we should organize and promote fly-outs
- A. Possibly tag onto EAA's plans
- X. Discussion of publicity for our scholarship program
- A. Don Wolfe suggested trying to get scholarship recipient, Tenley Ong, to write an article for a national aviation magazine
- XI. Discussion of the financial performance of Placer Community Foundation's investment fund in 2023
- A. 2023 final results have not been published yet, but look like they might be modest
 - B. Historical annual performance has been in the range of 5-7%.
- XII. Suggestion to establish a "community outreach committee" to speak to community groups
- XIII. Discussion of the potluck format for dinner at our monthly meetings.
- A. Is it working for us?
 - B. General consensus was that it is not perfect, but it's the best option
- XIV. Discussion of the length of monthly meetings
- A. Agreed that a good "soft target" would be for meetings to end by 8:00 PM
- XV. Discussion of whether the 50/50 raffle is working for us
- A. Generates an income of around \$50/month

XVI. Discussion of the "friendliness" of our meetings.

A. It was suggested that we consider having a "door greeter" to welcome attendees

B. Possibly award a free raffle ticket to anyone who introduces a "fun fact" about someone else

XVII. Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM

Doug Fee

Secretary

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