

**Dayton Pilots' Club Trustees Meeting  
July 12, 2017**

**Board Members Present:** Chester Harris, Reiff Lorenz, Larry Scherr, Gary Wheeler.  
**Board Members Missing:** Kevin Chandler. **Members present:** None.

**Crew Chief Report:**

- Mixture is still a problem.
- The pilot-side shoulder harness will not stay latched. We want to know what an inertial shoulder harness would cost.
- Larry questions the fuel flow indications on the gauge.
- The autopilot seems to fly a straight line by holding the course at the time you turn it on. The left and right knob seems to work.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Chester ran the financial reports as of July 10 for a more realistic representation of current fiscal situation.
  - Positive income month.
  - 17 hours flown.
- Chester has created a Treasurer's work-flow document and passed it out.

**Membership/ Safety/Secretary:**

- Gary sent an email to Jerry Hsu informing him that his membership status is "Inactive" and not social, for the By-laws say, "Inactive members shall not have Club privileges, except for social activities."
- We have 12 Members, 11 Schedule Master Current.
- No interested inquiries.
- Inactive members: two inactive members have been removed from inactive status due to the expiration of that status. Neither of them qualifies to receive their initiation fee back.
- Insurance: Gary has received 10 of 12 members' 2017 Insurance Forms. Next year, we will take the survey in May to avoid the "badgering" from Avemco?

**Upcoming Club Meetings:**

- 07/19/17: Cookout
- 08/11/17: Runway Fest.
- 08/24/17: Jason Schappert from MzeroA.com to the area. Flying Neutrons are interested in joining us; so far, no response from MacAir.

**Chief Flight Instructor/At-Large Rep's Report:**

- There doesn't seem to be a reason for a member to give the aircraft fueler our DPC member number. We will discontinue the practice.
- DPC Annual Form: We discussed that some of the items on the Annual Form should be eliminated.

- Members are having trouble lining up the airplane when pushing it back. Would it be useful to extend the centerline?

## Old Business

- Avionics upgrade schedule:
  - Survey: Gary surveyed members regarding their preference:
    - 7 members are in favor of the Garmin G500.
    - 2 are in favor of the Aspen.
    - One objected to either option (he does not like the Aspen, and did not feel that the Garmin would bring new members).
  - Chester wrote a proposal and it was approved:
    - Steps:
      1. Collect data on basic features, availability, and estimated installed cost of potential upgrades, mostly EFIS and autopilots .... But also any other smaller adds.
      2. Using the rough numbers, build rates for a couple of options that pay off any internal and external loans in a known few years, and maintain a reasonable cash position as a hedge against the inevitable operational surprises.
      3. Get fixed price quotes from 2 to 4 shops. We give them a picture of our current panel and approximately what we want done and they describe precisely what they will do to the panel (and the rest of the airplane) and at what fixed price.
      4. We target the upgrade for the winter.
    - Timing:
      1. July: we will get a lot of info out of Oshkosh. For examples: When will TruTrak have the 182RG version available (for real)? Which of the two companies involved in the Trio "kit" be responsible when things go wrong? Is STEC just giving up or do they have a response to the market change? Does Garmin really plan to support any connectivity to the new autopilots for other than the experimental market? Is Aspen ever planning to work with the new autopilot guys? Etc.
      2. August: Focus on step 2 and Chester's spreadsheet.
      3. September: have firm numbers, make a decision, and get the upgrades scheduled.

## New Business

- Fuel tank capacity: There are still questions about our true fuel capacity. Larry is going to do some calculations and experiments on his upcoming trips. We want to have a dry tank and then fill it.
- N199TX equipment: We decided that we will not have a decision in the next couple of months.
- New-instructor questionnaire: Gary provided a proposal form which was edited by the group.

- “Do This” Placard: Larry suggested we create a list of things we want every member to do after every flight. Gary sent the New Member Orientation form to the Trustees, which outlines many (if not all) the post-flight procedures. We will review this at the next meeting.

**Action Items:**

- Reiff
  - Will bring a can of paint to extend the centerline from the hanger.
  - Work with Chester and Larry at Oshkosh to get answers to our avionics and autopilot upgrade questions.
- Chester
  - Will have the avionics spreadsheet and bring an older notebook to the next meeting and use the projector so that all Trustees can see the dynamics of decisions.
  - Will join Larry in looking at seatbelt options.
  - Work with Reiff and Larry at Oshkosh to get answers to our avionics and autopilot upgrade questions.
- Gary:
  - Will work on Runway fest preparations. Wash day will be August 11.
  - Will purchase a cheap grill for the annual picnic.
  - Will contact the members telling them to discontinue the practice of giving the fueler our individual DPC number.
  - Will send the current Annual form to Larry for him to review and return to the next meeting for approval. Gary will then make copies to be placed in the hanger for members to use if they forget to print one for their annual.
  - Will contact Doug Root regarding 9TX parts.
- Larry:
  - Will cancel the MX-20 subscription.
  - Will join Chester in looking at seatbelt options.
  - Work with Reiff and Chester at Oshkosh to get answers to our avionics and autopilot upgrade questions.
  - Will contact Avemco to get answers to his questions regarding non-member instructors’ insurance status.

Respectfully submitted.

Gary Wheeler