Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting of the 1-26 Association.

A. President's Call To Order

President Jeff Daye called the 2010 Annual Meeting of the 1-26 Association to order at 9:00 a.m., June 8, 2010. He welcomed all in attendance, and then requested all new members stand and be recognized. He acknowledged our need to promote new memberships and challenged all members present to bring a new face into the 1-26 Association.

The President indicated that at the 2009 Annual Meeting we had 452 members, and the current roster lists 401, we had lost about 50 members in one year.

B. Reading of the Minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting.

The minutes of the 2009 annual meeting were read. It was noted that at the last annual meeting, on June 16, 2009, the 1-26 Association had 452 members. It was noted that the minutes did not indicate that Cal Tax was nominated for Eastern Vice President at the nominations in 2009. The minutes also did not mention Craig Loomiller's nomination for Central VP.

The minutes were revised and approved.\

C. Old Business

The new 2010 log was presented by President Daye who acknowledged Kevin and Tami Anderson's fine work, having done a great job in preparing the 2010 Log. The President noted that the publication of the log is a very important function in defining where we are as an organization and where we are going.

Bill Vickland provided an update on the expansion of the 1-26 Association display at the National Soaring Museum (NSM). He noted that in order to expand the display with a computer-based kiosk - as discussed at previous meetings - we would need video inputs by our members, which have not been forthcoming. As an alternative to get something in place at the NSM, we may consider starting with a computer that would access the 1-26 Association web site and expand it to include videos later. However, that project will have to be delayed until the NSM has an Internet connection.

D. Division Activity Reports

Eastern Division

Ron Schwartz noted that the Eastern Division had a quiet year and did not have its usual activities in 2009. He noted that Jim Angelou, Eastern VP is pursuing a Labor Day meet this year at Caesar Creek Soaring Club and that Blairstown will do a Memorial Day meet in 2011. Ron discussed his outstanding 961 km flight that may get approved for an OLC award.

Ron announced that the NSM will be hosting the Schweizer Homecoming over the 4th of July weekend and asked for a show of hands to determine how many members might attend. Six members indicated that they would attend.

Central Division

No report

Western Division

Bob Hurni noted that two or three 1-26 restorations were ongoing in the west, and that restorations are becoming a significant activity of the membership that should be recognized as well as outstanding flights and competition. He noted that the California 1-26 pilots are very active as usual, making numerous long distant cross-country flights.

E. Financial Report

Bob Hurni indicated that there has been no change in the excellent financial status of the 1-26 Association. He indicated that Treasurer Susan Von Hellen's report indicates that we have \$16,627 in our checking account. Bob indicated that the Life Trust Fund has \$39,300. He indicated that the value of the Fidelity Fund is \$3000 and that the Marion Cruce Fund has \$5700. These comprise total assets of approximately \$68,000.

F. New Business

Bob Hurni posed the question as to what we should do with the funds, suggesting that we need to use some of the funds to build membership. He indicated that all members need to actively support efforts to build the membership. He noted that we are becoming a vintage restoration fleet. He noted that Soaring Magazine gives us one page of free ads each year.

Joan Vickland noted that Caesar Creek Soaring Club conducts an annual Youth Soaring Camp, supporting glider training for young people, and suggested that the 1-26 Association might support such activities conducted by clubs across the country.

Group discussions followed suggesting that we might subsidize the entry fee for pilots under 30, and that we might wave half the entry fee for first time competitors. It was noted that we have a standing offer of support of \$500 for women pilots who are competing for the first time in the 1-26 Championships, and that the Women's Soaring Pilots Association has a standing offer of \$500 to support women pilots.

Marvin Willis proposed a motion to eliminate the entry fee for pilots under age 30, and that the fee should be reduced by 50% for first time pilots. The motion was seconded by Bill Vickland

In discussion, Bob Hurni proposed modifying the original motion to allow the Executive Board to authorize Championship hosts to eliminate the entry fee for pilots under age 30 and reduce the fee by 50% for first time pilots. Marvin Willis allowed his original motion to be modified as proposed by Bob Hurni. The motion was seconded by Bill Vickland and was unanimously approved.

The discussion about membership continued after approval of the motion. It was suggested that we send out questionnaires or contact former members to determine what happened to them. In 2009 the 1-26 Association had 452 members. Prior to the 2010 Championships, the membership was 401 members with 2 more added at the contest.

President Jeff Daye charged the membership to "go home and sign up friends for membership in the 1-26 Association." Ron Schwartz suggested that we make membership free for six months. Marvin Willis suggested that the Executive Board have the option to allow free membership for new members for one year.

Discussion followed regarding the location of the 2011 1-26 Championships. A site has not been selected. The question would be posed to TSA, a Kendallville, Indiana club and Caesar Creek Soaring Club. Members suggested that we should look for a site in the western section of the Central Division.

It was suggested that many of our trophies have served their time, that the size and number of trophies is not consistent with the level of participation of our membership. It was proposed that we conduct a survey of prior winners of our various trophies to determine if we should consider retiring some trophies to the National Soaring Museum.

President Daye displayed the trophies of the Sweepstakes winners of 2009.

President Daye presented the Per Ardua award for 2009 to Ron Schwartz for his outstanding flight of 961 km.

G. Nomination of Officers

Secretary Treasurer

Susan Von Hellens was proposed, but should be contacted for concurrence. Bill Vickland agreed to accept the nomination if Susan did not wish to continue.

Eastern Vice President

Ron Schwartz indicated the Jim Angelou would agree to continue as Eastern VP. Bill Vickland noted that Cal Tax volunteered to be nominated last year and should be contacted to determine if he would accept the nomination again.

Central Vice President

Tom Barkow was nominated but should be contacted to determine if he wants to accept the nomination.

Western Vice President

Rob Stone was nominated but should be contacted to determine if he wants to accept the nomination. Del Blomquist was also nominated but should be contacted to determine if he wants to accept the nomination. Nominations for 2011 will remain open until November 2010.

President Daye announced that the Awards ceremony would be conducted at 8:30 AM on June 10 before the brunch to allow competitors to meet airline schedules. The official brunch would be held at 10:00 AM as planned.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted: Bill Vickland