Yavapai County Sheriff's Office

Yavapai County Sheriff's Air Group

MEETING MINUTES

28 August 2013

To be approved at September 25, 2013 meeting

CALL TO ORDER **Noel Urban,** Bud Lathrop was not scheduled to attend

Call to order at 1900hrs
Board members present Noel Urban,, Farrell Harris, Dan Berry

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Membership

MEMBERS PRESENT
Noel Urbvan
Farrell Harris
Dan Berry
Malcolm Barrett Jr
Lenard Bleininger
Larry Minch
Patrick Moore
Kathy Moore
Ray Pfeffer

AVAILABILITY FOR SEPTEMBER
Noel Urban, pilot, unavailable 8/4/-9/5
Dan Berry, pilot, unavailable 9/11-9/14 1hr response
Malcolm Barrett, observer

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS Ray Pfeffer

Jeremy Davalos- Jeremy is very interested in joining the group. Dan Berry will ask Denise for a packet.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES Noel Urban

Minutes of the July 31, 2013 meeting were posted on the YCSAG website prior to the meeting. A motion was made to accept, seconded and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT Mel Tiensvold did not attend

Mel was traveling and didn't respond to Dan's email for any update. No expenses have been made and the balance at this time should be as reported in July of $2,325.05 in the account.

COMMANDER'S REPORT Noel Urban

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No specific commanders report was made due to Bud's absence but the status will be reported in the Operations report below.

OPERATIONS OFFICER REPORT Noel Urban

Noel reported on the Steering Committee issues:

Rick Martin from the Sheriff's office was due to attend and discuss the Air Group and the various issues we have. He had a conflict at the last minute and could not attend. He called Noel and will do his best to attend the 9/25 meeting. He also assured Noel on the phone that the Sheriff's department values the Air Group and wants it to continue and be useful in the future.

As before the primary issues that the Air Group members have are:

The background check form that new members are required to sign with a "hold harmless" clause in it. Since it can be distributed to other groups for a background check they also are held harmless for disclosure of information etc. Dan Berry asked if an attorney has been consulted on this issue and Mal Barrett will try to have an attorney look at the form for a legal opinion before the next meeting. Dan will send the form to Mal.

The question of working with other groups was discussed. This can only be done after discussing this with Rick and/or the Sheriff at a future date. It is best that Bud be the point person on this.

Sharpen up our procedures in exercises and missions. Dan Berry and Mike Liversidge will work on this.

Dan and Ray explained participation in the Jeep Posse exercise to the group.

Noel asked those attending if they were interested in ground work if requested. This would be such as the Jeep Posse does in traffic control, evacuations and patrol during emergencies

It was reported that the Courier didn't have the meeting notice in print but it is on the website. Dan will follow up.

As a reminder we have a smoke patrol Case number (13-016857). Check the YCSAG website for procedures and to sign in on the area to be patrolled so as not to use the same area as others. There was a short discussion on how to report from the air. The contacts mentioned were: Prescott Tower, Albuquerque Center and Flight Service. Any of these should be able to contact the proper response team.

FLIGHT SAFETY OFFICER REPORT Farrell Harris

Farrell is scheduling an exercise for Monday 9/18. Different than past exercises pilots will be dispatched at the same time in different directions.

Farrell will schedule Jim Thresher to become qualified as an observer. Jim has been traveling to Colorado for medical issues. Farrell will do the training when Jim is available.

ADJUTANT REPORT Dan Berry

Dan will get a packet to Jeremy Davalos for joining the group.

It was requested to order 5 hats of each type for purchase by the members.

Patches, rockers, unit patches and badges are available for sale. Unit patches $5.00. Volunteer patch and rocker are free. Badges are $30 and Air Group decals are $2.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS Noel Urban

MEMBER COMMENTS Members

It was mentioned by Larry that his insurance specifically excludes "surveillance" activities and that he would not be able to fly until his insurance was up for renewal and changed carriers. As a follow up Dan's renewal is up October 1 and he informed the AOPA broker that he would need coverage from the carrier in the renewal. They are following up with this at this time.

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SET NEXT MEETING DATE Noel Urban

The next meeting will be held 28 September, 2013 at 1900 hours with the Board meeting at 1830.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS Noel Urban

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1945 hrs.