

EAA Chapter 1298 August 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Steve White called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with over 35 attendees. Meeting opened with pledge.
Guests: Tom, Jim, Ashley (newly soled), Mike Miner Tampa FSDO

Steve introduced Mike Miner, who spoke to what he does at the Tampa FSDO. Mike also reviews the Master Pilot applications.

Steve then introduced Phil Renard, who presented Don Etchison with a 50 year Master Pilot award.

Don spoke about his flying career. He was influenced by his dad and his aunt Florence. Phil presented the 50 Year Master Pilot Plaque to Don.

Bruce Harding spoke about the Build n Fly program with lessons learned as AMA/EAA go for a 2nd build.

Anthony brought up a bowling tournament, and needing 4 people today at the bowling alley on Mariner.

Steve spoke about the roof and current contributors/options. Jack Maher spoke about a possible Go Fund Me option with current contributors. We need the funding in place prior to approaching BKV Admin with a proposal.

Frank Brunot reported on financials, which are also posted on the bulletin board.

Telly reached out to CFI pilots at the SE hangars, to get depth of availability exposure at the next Young Eagles event.

Upcoming Events:

- 8/6 – Thrashers ball game - starts at 12:00
- 8/12 – Bayport restaurant 6 PM - text Phil Renard for RSVP 614.499.5766
- 10/14 Young Eagles Rally and pancake breakfast

Jack Maher reiterated the scheduled ball game in Clearwater.

Merle Wagner reported that the roof is still leaking. Merle also reported that John Williams is having a poker run in October.

Projects:

- Merle Wagner – has 2 flights in on his Tailwind, engine/prop are tuned
- Ricky Rawls – Too hot to work

Dave Rose reported on the scouts and their endeavors.

50/50 - \$55 won by Don Etchison who donated back to the chapter.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Smith
Chapter EAA 1298 Secretary