

## Lake Sawyer Hawks meeting minutes 09/02/2016

Randy Ling brought the meeting to order @ 7pm.

There were 28 members and guests present tonight.

Members and guests introduced themselves; we had two new members tonight.

Welcome -----

Randy Ling, president, reminded us of the passing of Marlow Anderson on August 14<sup>th</sup> and that there will be a celebration of Marlow's life at the Lake Sawyer Community Clubhouse 29006 216th Ave SE Black Diamond, WA 98010 from 1 to 5 PM on Sunday, September 11th 2016.

Randy also let us all know that Bob Burks, our secretary has been diagnosed with cancer, is undergoing aggressive treatment and will no longer be able to support the club as secretary - Randy called for a volunteer to continue this duty until the next officer elections for 2017. I, John Jackson, will function as secretary until a permanent replacement can be found.

Treasurers report -The 2016 budget is still on track. We currently have 75 paid up members.

The August open house at the field went well with many in attendance, plenty of flying and noise checks conducted.

The annual Model Expo at the Museum Of Flight will, as usual, be in November with one small difference. The MOF will only provide us one annual membership for our raffle provided we buy one and not the two they have provided us in the past - it was unanimously decided to go ahead and buy the additional membership for the raffle.

Randy and Gabe Hanzelli provided an update on the noise issue we are currently facing;

As a result of T.J.Davis asking if we want to leave our use agreement as is or consider going to an all-electric flying club in an effort to minimize neighbor complaints the following action was taken. Gabe was finally able to discuss this issue with Fred Jarrett, King County deputy executive to see what our legal options are. Fred made it clear that the signed agreement we have with the county will not change provided we continue to comply with this agreement. We should continue to adhere to the new agreed to lower noise level of 85Db at 25' and provide the data

to T.J.Davis on a regular basis. He also said there is no action required from us and will get back to us if Reagan Dunn needs anything else.

Due to an event a few weeks ago where a vehicle entered the field, parked at the end of the runway and took pictures before departing while county workers were performing maintenance activities, we must keep vigilant for any strangers at the field, take photos and license plate numbers if possible but do not confront any individuals. Whoever this individual was, also removed our lock and managed to lock the gate leaving Steve Ashmore locked in and other members locked out.

To help alleviate any unauthorized entries and to avoid future lock- out/in situations we will be changing the lock combination more frequently. The first combination change will occur in the next week or so, Randy will notify us when this change has been made and the new combination provided to those who contact Randy. It is also advised that when locking the gate rotate all numbers, not just one to minimize the remote possibility of someone stumbling across, or deducing what the combination is. We will also plan to have a second keyed lock in the chain with the key being located in a secure location in the shed to avoid another lock-in situation - permission from the county however is required for this second lock and this has been requested.

It was unanimously decided to leave our agreement with the county as is, not volunteer to change to an all-electric club, to make the lock combination change more frequently and to add the second safety keyed lock to the gate.

We had an interesting guest speaker tonight, retired pilot Captain Ray Copin from the USCG Aviation branch. Ray was also accompanied by his wife, a retired UAL flight attendant and a fellow retired USCG pilot and his wife.

Like Boeing, the Aviation branch of the USCG celebrates its 100-year anniversary this year. Ray discussed not only his career with the USCG which started in 1956 but also the many aircraft and helicopters that the USCG Aviation branch have used over these 100 years. This was a very good and interesting presentation and a big thank you to Captain Ray Copin.

Please note that our October meeting will also be on Friday October 7<sup>th</sup> and not our usual first Thursday of the month.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting.

John Jackson.