

Georgia Business Aviation Association Board Meeting Minutes- September 20, 2005

Cox Hangar – Atlanta, GA

Board Members in Attendance:

Jeff Agur
Scott Beale
Bruce Egart (via phone)
Johnny Foster
Mark Molloy
Harry Nuttall
Dave Small
Mark Watkins

Guests:

Pat Mulvihill, North Florida Business Aviation Association

(All Action Items in Red.)

1. Welcome and Introduction of Guests

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 am at Cox. Mr. Pat Mulvihill was welcomed as the guest. Pat, along with others, is in the process of establishing the North Florida Business Aviation Association. The association is set to be based in Jacksonville with most of its membership concentrated from Orlando north and possibly extending into South Georgia (Valdosta, Brunswick, etc). Pat attended to observe and benchmark.

2. Review and Acceptance of Prior Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from last meeting of August 16th at Home Depot were approved into record. Motion by Harry Nuttall and seconded by Dave Small.

3. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Vickie Adams was absent. However, she provided information relative to current accounting status. Current checking balance is \$20,658.89. Current receivables were unknown but estimated to be minimal since the remaining golf sponsorship check from Bombardier has been received. Exact figures on current payables were also unknown but should be near zero. Marriott's bill for the August luncheon has been paid. The scholarship account has \$6,981.73 as a balance.

4. Event Committee Update

The Emergency Response Workshop planned for October 17-18 at the BellSouth hangar is making progress. Currently, there are 14 attendees registered. Among the attending board members, there was an estimate of another 11+ potential attendees. In addition, Bill Shaw is aware of interest from other operators which could add another 10 attendees.

On the marketing side, the GBAA website has been updated to promote the event to include a link to Aviem's website. The event has appeared in two NBAA Updates with more to come. Electronic postcards have been distributed among the current members. SEASRT has also marketed via word of mouth among their members. **Jeff will resend the e-postcard this week to include the published agenda. Bruce will forward the SEASRT list to be included in the mailing.**

David has arranged the catering and sponsorships for both days. Tastefully Yours will be catering Day 1 and will be sponsored by USAIG (Mitch Young). Galley Gourmet will cater Day 2 with sponsorship by Global Aerospace (Vickie Adams). Catering includes breakfast, lunch and energy break. **Harry Nuttall will be coordinating signs.** Mark Molloy asked if Coke can donate product. **David will check with the caterers on drink needs.**

5. Membership Committee Update

Scott Beale summarized the excellent efforts of the Membership Committee and other members of the board. Currently, the membership stands at 79 member companies/associations. Almost a 100% increase from just a few months ago. There were a number of pending memberships identified which should be coming soon. The remaining non-member company list was reviewed and Board members volunteered to personally follow up with each one. **Each board member will follow-up with their respective companies over the next few weeks.**

Harry Nuttall briefed the Board on his recent conversations with Mitch Ellerbee with GAA. An invitation has been extended to the GBAA to attend the GAA's Annual Conference on October 6-8. The Board agreed that the relationship between GAA and GBAA is an important one. The Board also agreed that attendance at the convention would be beneficial. Tentatively, Harry, David, Scott and Jeff have volunteered to attend various days. **Harry will review the agenda and coordinate attendance with Mitch and our Board Members.**

6. Golf Committee Update

The Golf Committee has checked with a few Peachtree City courses including Aberdeen. Currently, the Friday before and after Mother's Day were available at Aberdeen. Other courses in the area were discussed. There was also discussion about potentially moving the event to a Monday to allow access to other courses. **David Small will call a Golf Committee meeting in the next few weeks to discuss the issues and create a recommendation to the Board.**

7. Scholarship Committee Update

Bill Shaw was absent but provided a brief report on his latest efforts. Bill has met with a local high school counselor about promotion of the GBAA scholarships. He received a great deal of helpful information. Bill will be working with the committee in the near future to further formalize their plan. Johnny Foster volunteered the assistance of Chris Risen at O'Gara. She was very involved through last year's scholarship process.

8. New Business

Wildlife fencing at FTY continues to be an issue. Over the past few months, there have been at least three additional wildlife strikes on the runway. Harry reported that the airport has approved and scheduled various hunts to reduce the population. However, the fact remains that installation of the new fencing is not scheduled until mid-2006. Harry will discuss this issue at the GAA Conference next week. Scott Beale suggested a way to move the installation sooner. He stated that in a situation at Cobb the funding was approved but not available until the following year. In order to get the project underway, some local companies offered to front the money. Cobb agreed and an IOU was issued and paid the following year. **Dave and Harry will contact Doug Barrett to discuss the following items: communication on the issue, identify where the bottleneck exists to schedule the new fence installation, and discuss the option of fronting money.**

To address a concern at the last meeting, Jeff presented an option for project management and file storage. Basecamp (www.basecamphq.com) is a secure online resource which allows GBAA members to navigate various projects and files real-time from any computer with an internet connection. The Board discussed the options and agreed it would be worth further consideration. Jeff will arrange a demonstration at the next Board meeting.

Jeff also inquired about creating a debit card linked to our checking account in order to better handle our expenses. Currently, expenses are done individually and submitted for repayment by Vickie. A debit card could alleviate the burden on Vickie and make payment of some regular expenses easier. **Dave will follow up with Vickie about exploring the option further.**

Jeff informed the Board that NBAA has launched a Local Organization resource on their AirMail system. We are all encouraged to subscribe and participate. Jeff volunteered assistance if anyone needed help signing up.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20. The next Board meeting is on October 11 at BellSouth.