Purdue Pilots Inc. meeting

September 8, 2009. 7:00 PM. Physics 111

Attendance list is below. Please send corrections to Rick at westerman@purdue.edu

Vice president Peter Schumann led the meeting since President Grayson Steding was unable to attend.

There were no new ratings or certificates. We did have some new members and several of these people stayed after the meeting to ask questions and to sign up with Hannis. The callout last week was encouraging. 51 people showed up with 17 people definitely interested in joining. Of these 13 were private pilots or higher and 3 were student pilots. When asked how they heard about PPI, 49.0% had seen flyers around campus, 3.9% found out via the E-board, 21.6% via the website (search engine), 15.7% in class and 9.8% from a friend in class.

The Niswonger Aviation Technology Building dedication is Friday, Oct. 25th. PPI is in charge of recruiting volunteers to help ASOR during the day with the dedication. The official dedication is 4-5 PM with a BBQ afterwards. Peter sent around a signup list. If you want to help then get hold of him. Sounds like a good way to help out aviation and have dinner!

A full scale model of the unmanned Northrop Grumman Global Hawk is on display at the airport for the next couple of days.

Treasurer's report (Hannis). Someone left a check for \$50 at the airport (Laf. Av.). The check has no name. If it yours then go tell them. Cost of fuel (and thus our reimbursement rate) is now \$4.13 to \$4.38 per gallon. Last year it was \$5.30 to \$5.49.

Maintenance report (Ryan). Nothing major. Directional gyro on '862. Pads on '394. No one reported any other squawks.

There is a new FAA proposal. Fed register 74, number 167. In short complex aircraft training will be replaced with "advanced instrument training." This push seems to be mainly from flight schools so that they do not need to keep complex planes around for training. The rule does not seem to affect PPI nor the Purdue airport.

There were no presentations tonight since the presenters were absent. If someone does wish to present something – pictures from a fly-in, a interesting encounter, etc. – then please get hold of Grayson. We did have an fun session after the meeting talking with the new members.

Next meeting is Wed. Sep 23, 2009, usual 7:00 PM in Physics 111.

Sep 8, 2009 Attendance roster (people with stars are new to my list)

Beeby, Todd

Cooper, Jim

Duncan, Scott

Fenstermaker, Kevin (*)

Ference, Kevin

Huang, Rosemary

Koenig, Jacobo (*)

Leverenz, Larry

McCrary, Ryan

McPherson, Brice (*)

Patel, Pritesh (*)

Schmitt, Fabian (*)

Schumann, Peter

Thompson, Hannis

Turkstra, Jeff (*)

Wheaton, Brad (*)

Westerman, Rick

Zink, Bob