

# Purdue Pilots Inc. 2/20/18 Meeting Minutes

Meeting started at 7:08PM

## President (Nicoletta Fala):

- If you have your IFR rating and are willing to do approaches in a C172 in a simulator then take this survey! It is for a research project and you will be paid \$25.  
[https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9T41INVqldhF8Xj](https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9T41INVqldhF8Xj)
  - If you have questions, email [dbulikho@purdue.edu](mailto:dbulikho@purdue.edu).
- STORYTIME!!! People explained mistakes they have made during flight in exchange for FREE CAKE. What a deal!!!
  - Apparently, it is possible to talk over COM 2 while you are flying! Keep this in mind if tower is not responding to you!
  - Flying to Midway, did a full-stop landing, taxied to ramp and shut down to grab snacks. Came back to go home, followed checklist, etc., tries to start and hears a loud \*BOOM\*, tries to restart, sees pilots running towards him so he gets out and sees that there are huge flames coming from exhaust! (Obviously freaks out) Pilot at FBO comes and saves the day and puts the flame out with a fire extinguisher. Calls maintenance and they tell him to wash out plane and start again, so followed instructions. LESSON OF STORY: don't blindly follow the checklist. This could have been avoided if pilot let aircraft cool off and not over-prime the plane!
  - Second or third night flight, slow flight/stalls with flaps down. Turn around to go back to airport, bring plane back to normal altitude and power. Notices aircraft is flying very slowly.... Pilot realizes he left flaps down and was over-speeding flaps.
  - Long solo XC during PPL training, clouds started getting lower and lower, keeps descending to 2,000ft so ATC asked, "Are you a student pilot?" then put airliners in holding pattern and vectored pilot until they landed safely at an airport nearby.
  - Long solo XC, flying between two towns, VERY SIMILAR TOWNS AND AIRPORTS. Ended up flying completely to the east of both airports. Pay attention to where you are and what you're flying over!
  - At an airport, not flying: talking to maintenance, pilot hears "gunshots", people at the airport are throwing firecrackers to scare away birds. WATCH OUT FOR GUN SHOTS WHILE FLYING.
  - Flying with friends to get food, weather gets bad extremely early, low temperature, aircraft wouldn't start, prime aircraft and still won't start, feels pressure to start aircraft because people are watching him. Local CFI drove up to help pilot and gave a weird procedure to start the aircraft!
  - During primary training, first instructor was crazy, engine out practice, airport was 3000ft, one side highway other side field with 1 tree, thought he was going

to hit tree, CFI said nothing, almost stalls airplane, 5 feet off runway, does go around and hit ground and goes around.

- Excited about flying, called weather service, weather was supposed to be good, filed flight plan, ready to go, 1 hour later realizes that he didn't close the flight plan out. Always remember to close flight plans!

**Apparel (Kate Fowee):**

- If you have apparel ideas, let Kate know!
- Considering getting flight wing pins and stickers

**Public Relations (Geoffrey Andrews):**

- Write stories to Geoffrey so I can put them in the newsletter! Any flying stories will be awesome!

**Treasurer (Divya Bhargava and Sean Wan):**

- If you have dues, make sure to get with!

**Maintenance (Tom Stehler and Kevyn Ezzo):**

- All three airplanes have been great and flying lately.
- 47G's yoke being sticky? Will get yoke lubricated.

**Events (Adam Baker):**

- Movie night coming up Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> but have not figured out what time or where.
- Movie will be Top Gun!!!

**Next Meeting Wednesday March 7th, 2018 at 7PM in ARMS  
B071**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM**