Western North Carolina Pilots Association

General Membership Meeting

Lacy Griffin Building

Asheville Regional Airport

21 May 2019

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. by President Dave Bolser.

a. Dave welcomed Mike Sloan, who moved here from Ireland last November.

b. Mike Everhart reminded everyone that the deadline to have the ADS-B installed on

your aircraft is midnight, 31 December 2019. The Garmin, Stratus and L3 transponders are all on back order and the prices are going up. Mike also reiterated that the FAA will not grant any ferry permits. Also, the $500.00 rebate offered by the FAA has expired. So, if you haven’t scheduled your ADS-B install, now is the time to schedule it. Mike also invited the members to feel free to come to him with your questions regarding maintenance issues, FARs etc. He is here to help.

II. Reports

Secretary: (Tim Fox) The minutes of the April general membership meeting were approved.

Treasurer: (Michael Wheeler) The Association has $9,177.66 in the bank. The Directors & Officers (D&O) insurance renewal invoice has been paid.

Membership: (Jeff Moore) Membership renewals continue to come in. One-Hundred Eighteen members have renewed their membership.

Fly-Outs: (Tim Fox) Our May Fly-out will be this weekend (25 May) and the destination will be the Hickory Regional Airport (KHKY) with lunch at the Crosswind Cafe

Medical: (Dr. Ruffin Benton) Dave had recently done his BasicMed physical with Ruffin. Ruffin asked Dave to relate his experience to the members. While it was a little more time consuming than a normal Class III, it was simple. He cautioned pilots who may be considering going the BasicMed route to ensure you have completed all the requirements and retain the documentation.

Announcements:

a) Dave informed the members of the passing of Frank Henry, husband of WNCPA Board member Elizabeth Henry. Dave will keep everyone informed on the funeral arrangements as they become available.

b) on 1 June the WNC Museum at Hendersonville Airport OA7 will have a get together.

III. New Business: John Gaitskill gave a presentation on the FAA’s Monthly Safety Topic of the Month on Best Glide Speed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM

Featured Program: Mike Doornbos gave a very interesting, thought provoking and pertinent presentation titled “What Will Your Legacy Be?” It was particularly germane to the Association as we get ready to celebrate our 50th year as an organization. How can we have an impact for the future. He demonstrated that innovation is what drives general aviation and we as members of the WNCPA are ambassadors for the future of aviation.

Submitted by Tim Fox, Secretary