

ILLINOIS PILOTS ASSOCIATION  
Board of Directors Meeting, December 19, 2009  
Bloomington, IL (BMI), Prairie Aviation Museum (PAM)

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Meeting called to order at 1:13 pm by President Dave Claxon.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Dave Claxon, Brian Borecky, Bob Frantz, John McConnochie, Bob Reynolds and John Salz

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Minutes of the previous meeting of November 21, were approved with addition to mention guest William Stewart, president of Chicago Area Pilots Association.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

President Dave Claxon and SPI chapter president John Salz attended the Paxton city council meeting December 14, 2009. The council was going to take a vote to close their airport. President Dave and John Salz and other interested parties gave the council information that would support the decision to keep the airport open. The final vote was three for closure and five in favor of keeping the airport open.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Report was approved.

**AIRPORTS:**

Bob Frantz reported that Branson West opened December 15, 2009.

In addition to the president's report John Salz reported that users of the Paxton airport spoke to the council on their behalf about how the airport benefits their operations. An ag aero applicator told how she saves time and mileage by using the airport and stays close to the application sites. Doc Meyer told the council of his personal use of the airport to conduct Angel Flights in his airplane. IPA intends to assist Paxton airport to continue operating.

**ANNUAL MEETING:**

Brian Borecky will contact Susan Shea and ask her to be our lunch speaker.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

John Salz reported a new member, George W. Kanish, from Northern Indiana joined the South Suburban Chapter.

**SCHOLARSHIP:**

Notification of the scholarship has been sent out to the appropriate Illinois colleges. A question arose that Parks College was not eligible because of belonging to a St. Louis college. A determination was made that Parks College is qualified as an Illinois aviation college because of their air operations based in Illinois.

#### U.S.P.A.:

Annual meeting will be in May but a definite date has not been set. The dates of 20, 21 and 22 have been proposed. Sponsoring a safety seminar has not been decided.

#### WEB PAGES:

The calendar is working and allows input from the membership.

#### SAFETY:

The annual IDOT and FSDO Super Safety Seminar will be held Saturday, January 9, at the state Hanley Building starting at 8:30am. Springfield Chapter of IPA will provide rides from and return to the airport for pilots flying in to attend the seminar.

February 27 will be the date for an Ultralight and Light Sport aircraft safety seminar to be held in Springfield.

#### IL AVIATION HALL OF FAME:

Bob Frantz has not received a statement from IAHOFF.

#### CHAPTER PRESIDENTS:

John Salz reported that IPA SPI Chapter and EAA had a joint Christmas party December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Bob Frantz and John McConnochie reported that NEPA had their Christmas party at Pilot Pete's at the Schuamburg Airport.

Dave Claxon reported that Illini Chapter had their Christmas party also.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

IPA BOD plans to have a joint meeting with Chicago Area Pilots Association at the February 20 meeting in Lansing.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bob Frantz and John McConnochie are planning to fly to the Bahamas in Bob's airplane soon.

NEXT MEETINGS: Saturday, Jan 16, Peoria International Airport (PIA) Byerly Aviation  
Saturday, Feb 20, Lansing (IGQ)  
Saturday, Mar 20, DeKalb (DKB)  
Saturday, Apr 17, Springfield (SPI)  
Saturday, May 15, DeKalb (DKB)

ADJOURNMENT: 3:13pm

Minutes submitted by Brian Borecky