BLUE SKIES FLYING CLUB
THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

MEETING MINUTES

Recorder:	Owen Rogers			Next Meeting:	TBD
Date, Time:	10/19/26	5:00 PM PT			
Location:	Virtual (email, WhatsAp)				
In Attendance:	Steve Hughes	Mark Potter	Scott Swicord	Owen Rogers	
	Eddy Randrianarivelo	Jason Hewitt	Dale Sinnott CFI	David Shin	
	Jess Nelson	Michael Gedes			
Distribution:	BOD	Members			

Meeting No: 010

AGENDA

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	
			Call to Order
9	.01	Steve welcomed members to the Q2 2026/27 meeting.	
	Who:	Steve Hughes	
	Due	TBD	**Urgency**
		Update:	

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	
			Financial report
10	.0	Owen gave an update on club financials including cash on-hand at end of Q1 ($717), cash on-hand at end of Q2 ($10,122) and the fact that of the cash on-hand about $5.3k is not available for normal club operations (about $3.8K is David's scholarship funds and about $1.8k is engine reserves paid by departing members. Thus only $4,724 is available to fund club operations.	
	Who:	Owen Rogers	
	Due:	TBD	**Urgency**
		Update:	

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	
			Maintenance Report Overview
10	.0	Annual upcoming in November. Estimate for the inpsection is $2,500. Minor fuel leak was found in right take at last annual. We'll ask Tony to assess at Annual. Scott described our plane's tendancy to shoot excess oil. Don't fill above 5.5 quarts, and fill when the level drops below 5. Oil reports have been good.	
	Who:		
	Due:	TBD	**Urgency**
		Update:	

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	
			List of service Items

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10	.0	Fuel pressure gauge - Scott informed us that the used gauge we got reads 1lb low. Ask Tony about LOE to calibrate/deal with needle vibration at annual. If only option is to pull gauge and send it out there is not much appetite for that. Fuel dipstick - We'll ask if Tony can create. Crack in exhaust pipe - Ask Tony about options at annual. Reminder to members to not over tighten... only needs to be friction fit. Gauge lighting - Has there ever been gauge lighting? Confirmed from other members that these used to work. We'll ask Tony. Engine monitor: Some problems reported. Jess reported that Tony can do a replacement with a Garmin unit. Jess and/or Scott can ask Tony for an estimate. Storm window latch could use tightening and potentially a new gasket. Parking brake plunger doesn't go all the way in GI275 VOR is a little off - been like this since the panel upgrade ILS within second radio: might be nice to upgrade the unit here. Water leak near middle of bottom of the windshield. Left main tire needs replacing Scott will develop a list of all of the things that Tony will look at during the annual.	
	Who:	Scott Swicord	
	Due:	Ahead of annual	!!
		Update:	

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	Care / Post/Pre Flight
10	.0	Oil dipstick: Only tighten barely finger tight Oil level: Let's add oil when we're below 5 and bring level to 5.5 Exhaust plug - Don't overtighten Wing straps should have slight slak Post flight cleaning: Wipe down leading edges: cowl, wings, tail. Cowl flaps - make sure these are open after shut down during the summer. Close them after shutdown in winter. Fuel caps: These get sticky, but that can be resolved with a spray of silicone lubricant from the job box. Get the lubricant on the plunger that passes through the cap from the handle to the underneath, then work it in by actualting and turning the lever.	
	Who:	Members	
	Due:	TBD	!
		Update:	

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10	.0	Congrats	
	Who:		
	Due:	TBD	Urgency
		Update:	

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10	.0	Congrats to Dale for 10k. To Jason for IFR. To David for checkride for IFR.	
	Who:		
	Due:	TBD	Urgency
		Update:	

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	Scheduling

10	.0	Board is asking that members consider other members when scheduling for weekend bookings. Please consider others and avoid booking for several weekends in a row, and continue to book the plane only for the hours you need (intead of a full day). Steve asked members about other experiences members may have had in other clubs. Jess appreciates the communication about schedule changes. Jess is a member of gig harbor flying club, and there haven't been any conflicts he has experienced... they have rules about extended reservations, which need to be board approved. They also have minimum hours per day for multi-day reservations. Some discussion about whether new rules are needed such as prioritizing people working towards new certifications, etc. Decided that was not a path we want to take. We'll just continue to monitor at this point and if there are any issues we'll revisit. Who: Members Due: TBD ! Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Ground Box

10	.0	Water reported by Owen... make sure the box is closed up when not present. Steve talked about emptying the trash when it gets filled up. Also the bottom of the box can get oily and require cleaning. Steve's done this multiple times and would appreciate others helping out here. Who: Members Due: TBD ! Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Upgrades

10	.0	Some ideas that were thought useful by the Board... CO detector that we could mount to the panel ($350). Jess mentioned experience with Gig Harbor club. He'll get info about what they use. Carpeting: Steve found some for about $700. Typically they'll be velcro-ed in. Block heater: BOard discussed and feels like this might not be great to try until we have a hangar. Cowl plugs: the ones Steve made lasted one year, but they broke down. We'll look into this. We should consider if the Lazar speed mod affects what will fit. Seats/upholstery: Scott shared that there are used seats available at BAS Parts and he's asked for price info. Paint: Steve has been doing some touch-ups to deal with the really bad parts. He did get some quotes in cooperation with Eddy... one suggestion from a place in Northern CA to expect $24k - $28k and a month of down time. Jess asked whether we could make a deposit to secure a specific timeframe. Some concerns expressed and a desire to continue with touchups... Some bad experiences were reported. Consideration was discussed about hangar, Jess suggested it might be good to have the protection now when we're not in a hangar. Immediate steps: Buy CO monitor; buy cowl plugs; buy new carpeting. Other upgrades to be discussed in the future. Who: Steve Hughes Due: TBD ! Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Website Maintenance

10	.0	Steve built the website, but is looking for help from another member. Jess expressed interest in taking a stab at this. Who: Jess Nelson Due: TBD ! Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Tax Return and 501©7 paperwork

10	.0	Owen and Steve will take a look at this paperwork and decide if we can do it ourselves. We'll ask in the meeting notes whether any non-attendees to the meeting have any experience. Who: Owen Rogers Due: 12/15/26 ! Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Communication

10	.0	Jess asked if there could be more frequent comms from the board. Example: upcoming maintenance. Steve reported that these are generally placed in the schedule on Flight Circle. Who: Due: TBD **Urgency** Update:

Next Meeting New Business