

## MINUTES SSF TRUSTEES CHICAGO JAN 23, 2009

**Trustees Attending:** Richard Carlson, SSF Chairman,  
Gene Hammond, Bernald Smith, Burt Compton

SSF Advisors Attending: Pat Costello of Costello Insurance Associates

SSA Members Attending: SSA Board Chairman Phil Umphres

Meeting began at 3:20 PM at the Holiday Inn Express by O'Hare Airport.

**AGENDA BASHING:** No comments.

**MINUTES:** Read from previous meeting (Wichita, KS SEP 2008)  
Motion to approve by BS, Second by GH, passed.

### **TRUSTEES TERMS UPDATE:**

Gene Hammond:	Expires 12/31/2009
Stephen Dee:	Expires 12/31/2009
Bernald Smith:	Expires 12/31/2010
Richard Carlson:	Expires 12/31/2010
Burt Compton:	Expires 12/31/2011

### **TRUSTEE REPORTS:**

Trustee / Chairman Report: Richard Carlson, SSF Chairman

#### SSF FIRC PROGRAM

Instructors Available: Carlson, Dee, Burkhart, Carswell, Wander.

In 2009, 8 FIRC's are scheduled:

- Tidewater, VA
- Chicago, IL
- Philadelphia, PA
- Anchorage, AK
- Caesar Creek, OH
- Finger Lakes, NY
- Naples, FL

Patricia Wager is coordinating FIRC requests. Contact her via the SSF website.

Discussion of request for ACR designation to issue Temporary CFI Certificates after a FIRC.

FAA denied the SSF request for a designated ACR to issue Temporary Certificate at end of FIRC's due to low activity.

RC to request that FAA waive the activity criteria of 10 FIRC's and 250 CFI renewal attendees per year.

SSF Website is being continuously updated.

Trustee Report, Burt Compton: 7 SSF Site Surveys conducted January through December 2008 in Florida, Virginia (2), Utah, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota

Potential Site Surveys for 2009: MA, OH, IN, CA

Seminar presentation scheduled for FEB 21 in Lakeland, FL

Trustee Report, Steve Dee: No report / not attending.

Trustee Report, Gene Hammond: Working on seeking a syllabus for winch operator training.

FIRC TCO Update: 24 month renewal due OCT 2009.

Compiling articles for old issues from "Sailplane Safety" newsletters.

Trustee / Treasurer Report, Smith:

Income Report  
Expenses Report

Budget for 2009:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Donations	10000		
SSAF SSF	15000		Endowment withdrawal
FIRC	21000	28000	7 FIRC's
Site Surveys	1300	5000	5 Site Surveys
Seminars	1200	2000	4 Seminars
Website		300	\$75/quarter
EGU Dues		300	SSA membership
Convention		900	Booth
Mentoring		2000	Develop new material
NSM NSF Program	1500	1500	FIRC materials
Promotion		10000	Wander video
	<u>50000</u>	<u>50000</u>	

BS Moved to approve draft budget, BC seconded, passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Outstanding Action items from previous meetings
  - i) RC obtain updated SSAI list and consider methods to give them guidance DONE
  - ii) RC update reporting form. DONE
  - iii) RC annual safety report and Web site updates DONE
  - iv) RC Send letter to SSA Directors promoting SSF products DONE
- b. Action items from ICT meeting
  - i) RC comment on Growth & Promotion committees LSA section DONE
  - ii) RC/GH resolve media 3 billing issues DONE
  - iii) RC Investigate ACR IN PROGRESS
  - iv) RC annual safety reports DONE
  - v) BS develop FIRC certificate for SSAI's INCOMPLETE
  - vi) BW mail DVD's to FIRC attendees DONE
  - vii) GH/RC FIRC TCO update – Oct 09 IN PROGRESS
  - viii) ALL prepare SOARING articles in a timely manner DONE
  - ix) GH contact clubs and COBM's on winch operations IN PROGRESS
  - x) BS contact TSP on winch operations IN PROGRESS
  - xi) RC identify experts in winch operations IN PROGRESS
  - xii) BC contact Thomas Wendl – Germany re winch operations DONE
- c. FIRC DONE
  - i) Requests received
  - ii) Expected requests
  - iii) Instructors
  - iv) Request for ACR designation
  - v) NSM/NSF funds dispersal
- d. Safety Seminars DONE
  - i) Current status
  - ii) Speakers, Speakers, Speakers
  - iii) Presentations and PPT logistics
- e. SSF Annual Safety Report - status
- f. Web site usage NONE GENERATED
  - i) Bibliography
  - ii) Training syllabi
- g. New training material (posters, videos, books, articles)
- h. Certificates for Operators noting SSAI's, Attendance at Clinics DISCUSSED
- i. ARP program review DISCUSSED
  - i) First Flight
  - ii) Article series

SOARING ARTICLES: IN ADDITION TO THE ARTICLE LIST  
IN THE WICHITA MINUTES (below),

JAN "First Flight" (BS)  
 FEB "Roll Out" (BC/PC)  
 MAR "Checklists" (Diane Black-Nixon)  
 APR "Annual Accident Report" (RC)  
 MAY "Signals in Training" (GH)  
 JUN "Rudder Waggle / Wave Off" (RC)  
 JUL "Cross Country Mentor" (BC)  
 AUG Topic from past "Sailplane Safety" articles (GH/BS)  
 SEP "Club Management" (BC/PC)  
 OCT Topic from past "Sailplane Safety" articles (GH/BS)  
 NOV Topic from past "Sailplane Safety" articles (GH/BS)  
 DEC "SSF End of Year" (BS)

**REVISED ARTICLE LIST FOR 2009**

JAN "Three C's" - GH  
 FEB "First Flight" – SD  
 MAR "Accidents – 2009"- GH  
 APR "Roll Out" – PC  
 MAY "EARLY RELEASE" – RC  
 JUN "SIGNALS" – GH  
 JUL "RUDDER WAGGLE" – RC  
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Costello to write "Don't let the economy reduce your proficiency."

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Safety Corner editorials DISCUSSED
- Safety columns in magazine DISCUSSED
- Interactions with SOARING Editor
- RICH CARLSON WILL BE THE POINT PERSON FOR SSF ARTICLES AND SAFETY CORNER SERIES.
- FAI EnvCom

BS Report from FAI Europe, environmental commission regarding the impact of soaring activities, including disposal of crashed composite gliders, towplane fuels.

SSA Board Chairman Phil Umphres asked the SSF Trustees what SSA can do for the SSF.

BS Regarding financial reporting, Judy Blalack at HQ is good to work with.

RC Clarify coordination with SOARING magazine editor Chuck Coyne, and SSA Director / Publications Committee Chairman John Dezzutti.

PC: Regarding donations to training and safety, consider methods to reinstate the "check off box" on SSA member renewal forms, or as an aspect of the Eagle Fund donation requests that SSA makes to the membership.

### **NEXT SSF TRUSTEES MEETING:**

Tentatively late October 2009, not necessarily at the same time/venue as the SSA Directors fall meeting.

### **ADJOURN:**

Motion by GH, seconded by RC, passed. Meeting ended at 8:55 PM.