

Flight Training Workgroup

Meeting Minutes For April 24, 2003

Meeting Place & Time: Chandler-Gilbert Community College, Williams Gateway airport, 9:00 – 11:10.

Meeting Facilitator: Dave Vangsnes

Members Present:

Mike Halloran	Greg Schmidt
Leo Bernstein	John Walkup
Chris Clark	Fred Gorrell
Mike Darnall	Juergen Tank
Guy Lennon	Steve Hover
Stacy Howard	Jim Burch
Mike Abair	Bill Tobey
Matt Miller	Jim Pitman
Joshua Betof	Dave Vangsnes

Welcome - Dave Vangsnes, welcomed all in attendance.

Agenda Items Covered:

*** Update on advisory/warning over the Casa Grande AWOS, *Greg Schmidt – ATCA:***

Mr. Schmidt did not have anything to add since the last meeting. He had explained that he has hit a stopping point because he was told that it “cannot be done from the many contacts that he has made. Mike Halloran, and Stacey Howard said that the ASAG would look into this agenda item and report back.

*** Continued group discussion on “Best Practices”**

Mike Darnall from ATP. Brought up the subject of the lack of knowledge of the various “Reporting Points” that were being used by training aircraft to announce their position. The decisions made during this meeting on this subject are as follows:

- The reporting points will concentrate on those that are used between aircraft to announce position when training.
- The group has decided to record these reporting points on a chart that may be independent of the Phoenix Terminal Area Chart.
- A committee was formed made up of; Dave Vangsnes, Jim Pitman, and John Walkup. The data will then be put on a chart for review. Ultimately the chart will be distributed by various means.
- Data collected will be from anyone willing to contribute listing:
 - o “Corporate knowledge” reporting points that are not listed on any chart, only known to various pilots.
 - o Reporting points that have cartographical value.
 - o “Flagged” reporting points.

- The Committee would like the following information submitted:
 - Outline of the Practice areas.
 - Display of the reporting point.
 - Description/name of the point.

Another group headed by, Josh Betof, was formed for the purpose of applying information on the group's chart to the Terminal Area Chart.

*** Collecting input from members of AFTW on Coded Practice Instrument Approach Routes:**

Stacy Howard was open to collect information and suggestions submitted by members of the group concerning coded practice instrument approach routes in the Phoenix valley. Her e-mail address is Stacy.Howard@AOPA.org, and submissions can also be sent to that address. She will take this information to the Phoenix Airspace Users Workgroup as data to be used by the steering committee on this subject.

*** AFTW's review draft press release:**

The press release will have a quote from Mike Halloran having the FAA support the efforts of the AFTW. The release will then be sent via E-mail for review. It will then be submitted to Scottsdale airport.

*** Presentation of Accident/Incident statistics:**

Jim Burch gave a presentation on the Aviation Safety Advisory Groups findings concerning aircraft accidents/incidences in the state. He also wanted input from the various groups on the amount of training hours flown over the last year. This information would then be computed into the program to help quantify the percentage number of "mishaps" among flight instructing in the state.

*** Distribution of "Best Practices", making it known to the general flying public:**

Mike Halloran, offered the "Arizona Airman" newsletter as a venue to publish anything that would help promote what the group is trying to accomplish. This flyer would be in addition to the normal seminar announcement that comes once a month.

*** Liability insurance on aircraft when students go to take a check ride with a Designated Pilot Examiner.**

John stated that, even though the FAA is out of the picture by regulation, and supposedly the examiner, a civil action will put the examiner to task and he may be held responsible for everything that might happen if an accident or incident occurs. I think all of our examiners need to be aware of this fact if this operation is not insured and to take appropriate action. The Designated Pilot Examiner Advisory Board is attempting on passing an understanding that no flight tests will be conducted in an uninsured aircraft.

Open floor discussion items:

Chris Clark, from the FSDO stated that a new application for an aerobatic box had been submitted and is in the process of being issued. She was looking for input from the group as to what may also facilitate safety in that area. She solicited input after the meeting.

Conclusion:

Decision was made to have the next meeting at the
Scottsdale FSDO
17777 N. Perimeter Rd.
Scottsdale AZ 85255
From 9:00 – 11:00 am.

The meeting was concluded at 11:10 and all attendees were dismissed.