

Flight Training Workgroup

Meeting Minutes For May 29, 2003

Meeting Place & Time: Scottsdale Flight Standards District Office, Scottsdale, AZ., 9:00 – 11:10.

Meeting Facilitator: Michael Halloran

Members Present:

Greg Schmidt	Mike Abair
Lee Ruffell	James Berry
Scott Sutton	Fred Gorrell
Paul Christensen	Randy Payne
Juergen Tank	Bill Tobey
Mike Darnall	Asa Dean
Joe Stockwell	Jim Pitman
Lew Bernstein	Matt Miller
Dave Vangsnes	

Agenda Items Covered:

*** Update on advisory/warning over the Casa Grande AWOS, *Mike Halloran - FAA:***

Mr. Halloran explained to the group that the Aviation Safety Advisory Group is willing to take this on this task and to collect information from Greg Schmidt on what has already been accomplished. The ASAG will also report back to the AFTW of any progress being made.

*** Progress report for the development of a reporting point chart"**

John Walkup was unable to attend the meeting. However, Jim Pitman and Dave Vangsness reported that progress was being made on collecting practice area reporting points. This information will be transmitted to John Walkup who will put them on a chart.. Mr. Pitman asked of the group if there were a way to collect the waypoint coordinates from the VFR waypoints of the TAC chart. This is still under research. More on this agenda item as data is collected.

*** Finalization of the "Press Release" for the AFTW:**

Mike Halloran displayed an electronic copy of the "Press Release" that the group could use when solicited by different organizations or news media. The group read and edited the document and finalized it to date. This document will be sent to the webmaster for publishing and will reside on the AFTW's website.

Open floor discussion items:

An announcement was made by Mr. Greg Schmidt, concerning an operational safety hazard at the Pinal Co. airport. Mr. Schmidt stated that a parachute jump aircraft, going by the call sign Kodiak, was not using the airport identifier in their radio transmissions. So, if anyone hears them announce on the radio, they are jumping around the Pinal Co. airport.

Juergen Tank stated that Embry-Riddle and the FAA are going to meet with the airport management there to discuss hazards that have been occurring there and work on possible resolutions. He offered an open ended invitation for input to anyone in the group on any additional hazardous operations there that could be brought up.

There was discussion about the Designated Pilot Examiner Training/Meeting that occurred on Thursday, May 22, 2003 and questions were asked what pertinent news could be shared to the group from the meeting. Mr. Halloran stated that the DPEAG is developing a website that will be used as a point of communication to the DPE's as well as the community.

Conclusion:

The decision was made to have the next meeting at the
Pan-Am Training Facility
530 West Deer Valley Road
Phoenix, AZ 85027
From 9:00 – 11:00 am. On June 26, 2003

The meeting was concluded at 10:22 and all attendees were dismissed.