

Arizona Flight Training Workgroup Meeting Minutes

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Prescott, Arizona

24 August 2005

Members in Attendance:

Jane Adams	Prescott AFSS
David Ammon	Turf Soaring School
Esa Harvela	ERAU Chief Flight Instructor
Brian Mehrtens	Pan AM Assistant Chief Flight Instructor
Toby Olsen	Regional Airline Academy Check Instructor
Jim Pitman	Westwind Chief Flight Instructor
Juergen Tank	ERAU Aviation Safety Director
Bill Tobey	SATC Chief Flight Instructor

New Members:

Jerod Bybee	SATC Safety Officer/Sabena
Grant Craft	Regional Airline Academy

Guests:

Jonathon Burr	ERAU Instructor Pilot
Andrew Ford	JHU/APL
Kati Neff	Mesa Pilot Development/ASU Flight Instructor
Joe DiNapoli	Mesa Pilot Development/ASU Flight Instructor
Travis Anderson	Pan Am

Aaron Smith: Recorder

Introduction: Sean Jeralds; Chairman, ERAU Flight Department

PRC ATC Tower: Noel Kingston

- 17 Controllers, highly trained, prior experience
- Dedicated to general aviation and training pilots
- Come fly with us – we appreciate the extra traffic
- Tower Manager: Paul Winski Phone: 928-445-2160 x161
- Please come by the tower or call if you have any questions
- NOTAM issued for the Deer Valley GPS Runway 7 approach
- Radar is used for traffic advisories etc.

Prescott FSS: Jane Adams, Manager, Flight Service Station

- Lockheed/FSS transition. Despite lawsuits and litigation, the transition is on schedule. for early October
- Short staffed due to consolidation
- New facility will be located in Prescott Valley
- Facility will be the hub and training facility for the entire country
- Because of being short staffed, FSS cannot handle multiple calls at 4:00am. FSS staffs up at 6:00am, and again at 7:00 am.

CRABS: Jonathon Burr, ERAU Instructor Pilot, and Andrew Ford, JHU

- CRABS: Comprehensive Real-time Analysis of Broadcasting Systems.
- How is it used from an aviation/flight training point of view?
- Allows for monitoring and tracking of traffic.
- ADS-B (Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcasting) and TIS-B (Traffic Information Services-Broadcasting).
- All aircraft equipped with an MX-20 can see other aircraft that are so equipped, as well as Mode C equipped aircraft that are fed in from a GBT (Ground Based Transceiver).
- CRABS is used from a training standpoint to assist instructors in showing students their deviation during an approach or honing the skills of a maneuver.
- Should be operational nationwide sometime in 2006.

GPS 7 Approach DVT: Jim Pitman, Chief Flight Instructor, Westwind

- GPS Runway 7 approach into Deer Valley conflicts with the final approach course at Luke Air Force Base
- Phoenix is not helpful in clearing pilots for the approach due to radar restrictions
- Luke Air Force Base is the most helpful in mitigation of a solution.
- General Aviation public needs to make their concerns known so the approach doesn't get cancelled
- Should the approach be changed back to the old one?
- Jim Pitman will draft a letter; Mike Halloran will see that it is sent to the right places.

Deer Valley Zoning:

- Proposed housing development at 7th Avenue and Happy Valley Road.
- This conflicts with a wide downwind on the north side of Deer Valley airport.
- AFTW drafted a letter to the zoning committee voicing their opposition to the proposed development.

Open Forum:

David Ammon. Pleasant Valley Airport

- 50 Airports in Arizona on state land. State wants to get rid of all 50 airports. Asking for help to get the airport off of state land.
- Also, in order to get federal funds, there needs to be at least a 20 year lease on the airport.
- This means that the airport would need to be on at least a 25 year lease so that politics could be worked out.
- Mike Halloran suggested that possibly EAA could be of help

Jim Pitman, Chief Flight Instructor, Westwind

- Received a call from a homeowner about aircraft flying too low between Scottsdale and Falcon Field. Homeowner asked aircraft to fly higher.
- James Berry is concerned that the increase in tower height at Rittenhouse would change the MVA for the approach at Williams Gateway Airport.
- Matt Miller from Falcon Field forwarded message stating that the FAA is thinking of doing away with "Taxi into position and hold" to prevent runway incursions.
- 122.85 in the south practice area is a conflict with UNICOM from Williams Gateway. Will be in contact with the FCC about the issue.
- 4 discrete frequencies would be the best plan of action.

**Next Meeting: 26 October 2005, 0900-1100
Pan Am, DVT**