

EAA 493
Minutes of March 20, 2018 Monthly Meeting

The March 20, 2017 monthly meeting of EAA Chapter 493 was called to order by President Bob Reece at 7pm in the renovated conference room of the Terminal building, Mathis Field, San Angelo, Texas. 15 members and 1 new guest were present. Upon voice vote, the Minutes of the February meeting of the Chapter were approved as published on the Chapter Reflector. Guest Frank M Jackson joined the Chapter and was welcomed into the membership. Counting new member Frank Jackson, there were 16 members present. Treasurer Andy Spinks gave the Treasurer's report (current balance of \$1,673.17), which was approved by voice vote.

The first New Business item was reported by Vice President Ron Lentz. Ron reported that he was in contact with the USAF about the local ROTC program at Angelo State University, and the Junior ROTC program at Lakeview and Central High Schools. Apparently there is some interest in the EAA Young Eagles program, and some members of ROTC and Jr ROTC may be interested in joining Chapter 493. Ron will follow-up and report.

The next item was from Bob Reece, who reported that Collings Foundation/American Heritage Museum will be sponsoring its Wings Of Freedom Tour at Skyline Aviation at Mathis Field on April 2-4, with public walk-through tour times April 2 1-5pm, April 3 9am-5pm, and April 4 9am-noon, followed by 30-60 minute flights. The airplanes coming to Mathis will be B-17, B-24, B-25 and P-51. Skyline consented to a Ch 493 table at the event. Contact Ron Lentz or email the reflector if you can help man the table.

President Bob Reece asked Don Smucker to give a brief update on how the Chapter Reflector works. Don explained that the Reflector is a member only chat group. Sending an email to the Ch 493 Reflector address (EAA493@Fly-Web.US) will send the email to all of the current members. Gerry Hatch mentioned that we might garner more interest in Chapter membership if we expand the Reflector to include known aviation pilots in the area and recommended that we contact pilots to see if they were interested in receiving Chapter 493 emails. President Bob Reece indicated approval. Bob also mentioned that he has obtained a list of national EAA members within a 100 mile radius of San Angelo, and plans to contact non Chapter 493 members on that list.

Ron Lentz reported that he sent a letter of thanks on behalf of Chapter 493 to Skyline for allowing the Chapter to use Skyline's facilities for the January and February Chapter monthly meetings. The monthly Chapter 493 meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday at 7pm at the Mathis Terminal building conference room from here onward, unless specific events are otherwise scheduled.

There being no further business, the business portion of the meeting was adjourned, for a very informative program on FAA mandated 2020 ADS-B in and out requirements and status, presented by member Tom Dufresne, of Poor Boy Aviation located at Mathis Field. After the program, the meeting was adjourned for social time and refreshments provided by President Bob Reece.

