Fly-in Planning

- Volunteers
- Next meeting MON 04 JUN 2007
Volunteer Categories

• Food Service (Sam Andrews + 8)
• 1130-1330; 2 shifts, 4 persons each
• Shepherds (Tony Sutsko + 3)
• Tours: control tower, Penn College
• Aircraft Marshals (Jim Diehl + 2 + CAP cadets)
• Welcome Wagon (Larry Dieffenbach + 2)
• WX, Flight Plans, Speakers (Geoff Knauth + 1)
Tom Hart, Executive Director of the Williamsport Regional Airport Authority
Tom’s Talk

• Before we start
• Concern over liability during parking
Projects Wrapped Up

- Addition to storage building
- Housing for snow removal equipment
- Grading near old 15/33, purchase of 13 acres of land from Silica Sand, for safety overrun
Projects Coming Up

- Runway extension, approach end Rwy 09
- site prep ’07, paving ’08
- 300 additional feet of runway
- clearing of trees, ILS 09 in ~5 years
- cost: about $5 million
- Relocate fuel farm?
PennDOT Project

- New access road into the airport
- Safety issue
- Mutual aid with: Loyalsock, Montoursville and Pennsdale
- New exit between Super8 and Paulhamus Litho, open in fall 2009 ($17 million)
- Will reduce flooding into Montoursville
- Montoursville USPO may relocate to airport
Congress, FAA

- AIP: Airport Improvement Projects
- current targeted cut: $1 billion
- currently IPT gets $1.2-1.4 million/year
- Current shortages of pilots
- military cutbacks
- Future shortages of controllers (retirements)
Another air carrier?

- Small community air service development grant
- NWA interested, getting out of bankruptcy
5 Concerns from WRAP

- Insurance Liability for Fly-In
- Rotating Beacon (angle set by FAA; change light?)
- PAPI on Rwy 12
- Pilot-controlled lights on Rwy 12 at night
- Wind sock on top of hangar at DeGol
Security Improvements

- $125,000 grant from FAA
- Automatic rollback gates: key cards
- Camera systems
How Can We Help the Airport?

- Almost 30,000 operations in 2006
- 6,000 are commercial operations
- Trend is rising
- WRAP can help squash rumors
Operations

• Touch & Go or Stop & Go — they count
• 1 inbound, 1 outbound
• Low approaches count
• anything below pattern altitude
• Itinerant operations count more than local
Control Tower

- Airport pays $19,999.95 per month for its share of cost
Hangars

• Airport Authority can build hangars
• New hangars are on the master plan
• New 12,000 ft² hangar to be built east end
Disaster Drills

• Every three years
• ConRail train arrived during last drill
• FAA did not like the train blocking the road
By-laws

- The draft by-laws were discussed and (later) accepted by the membership.
Elections

- President: Larry Dieffenbach
- Vice-President: Tony Sutsko
- Treasurer: Sam Andrews
- Secretary: Geoff Knauth
Votes

- Officers
- By-laws accepted as written
Dear Requests

- $20 for dues *PLEASE*
- cash only, till we have a bank account
- can’t open bank account until we are organized with a state ID number
Possible Fly-Outs

• 5/20 - Dansville NY
• 6/2 - AOPA Fly-In FDK
  ● arrive by 0815, or plan to drive
  ● FDK arrivals get very busy
Fly-out Report

- Tangier Island
- Pictures of happy people eating great food
- Pictures of airplanes touching down on the numbers
- Picture of US Army Cessna that taxied onto the grass but shouldn’t have (too soft)