Minutes. The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer’s Report. We have $2,309.70 in the bank.

Membership. 2–3 weeks ago, we had 38 members who had paid dues in for 2012. Now the number of paid members is up to 47.

Fly-Outs. We had wonderful food at the Nu-Cavu Restaurant, Kobelt Airport, Wallkill, NY (N45).

On 21–22 JUL, we are headed to Toronto, with, at present, four airplanes.

In August, we will again fly out to Luray Caverns.

In September, we’re going to Gettysburg. The hotel should cost about $135. It’s not far away, and you can cancel reservations 48 hours ahead. The date of the Gettysburg fly-out has been moved back from 15 SEP to 08 SEP.

We asked who might be going to Oshkosh this year. Four planes from WRAP are going.

NEW BUSINESS

Oil. Michael Bush presented an opportunity to buy oil in bulk at a good price. The brands are Aeroshell & Phillips. Checks, no cash.

Beyond the Firewall. Eric Cipcic mentioned his upcoming talk about maintenance issues and new FAA regulations.

How Not To Talk to ATC. We played a two-week old Youtube clip of a very cantankerous pilot giving ATC a hard time.

St. Mary’s Airport. The new restaurant at St. Mary’s (OYM) is open Sundays 0800–2100. During 0800-1200 they serve breakfast only. They are closed Monday. Tue–Wed–Thu they open at 1100. Marcia suggests calling before you go.

Flying in Alaska and Montana. Ed presented a slideshow of beautiful mountains and glaciers from his recent trip to Alaska, and he gave us a lesson about mountain flying in Montana. To summarize, 2500’ AGL is not high enough to deal with some of the powerful downdrafts in the Rocky Mountains.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 1958.

Next Monthly Meeting. Monday, August 6, 2012

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