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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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MEETING NOTICE

HAPA BOD Meeting - Hangar 155

7:00pm Tuesday, January 9, 2006

2007 HAPA Board Of Directors

President:

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Vice President:

Ron Sinclair (2008)

Secretary:

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Submittal Policy

The deadline for submission of articles, minutes, and reports will be the **20th of the month**. This should provide sufficient time to edit the lay out of the newsletter so that it can be posted to www.t67.org by the first of the following month. Please provide input in MS Word format, if possible. Flappings will be available online on or about the first of every month. All ads should be submitted in writing to Newsletter Editor, 593 Aviator Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76179 or by email to **Mike Reddick** at michaelreddick@yahoo.com so formatting can be finalized for the next issue.

The month of November and early December were indeed eventful with many of us involved in campaigning to elect four new board members. Our membership is to be commended on their overwhelming participation in this election, and on behalf of all the newly elected board members we extend our sincerest thanks.

The board members you elected are a diverse group of individual thinkers with the common thread of taking our respective roles very seriously. Our entire board has already demonstrated the ability to have a healthy debate while maintaining professional decorum and respect for one another's opinions. Truly this is the example we wish to project in all future board meetings and humbly ask each participating HAPA member to do the same.

Now we must look forward to the reality of the challenges before us and how we can best use the talents of this board to address them. Whether infrastructure, master plan, legal issues, annexation, or others, they will require an organized and structured approach with each board member accountable to the board and the HAPA membership for their respective roles.

You will see a chart attached (see page 4) that graphically represents each member's role along with their respective titles. Many of the issues we face are no different than those of previous boards. We acknowledge and appreciate their efforts.

The ball is already rolling with respect to the FAA master plan, pending legal issues, infrastructure and others. While we are not empowered to settle past legal grievances, we are committed to our current CCRs and By-Laws, while addressing changes that more accurately represent who we are today.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers who have chosen to continue their service. You do as much, if not more than anyone to make Hicks Airfield a fun and safe place to fly, live, work, and play. This board is truly committed to helping you in any way possible to continue your great efforts.

Let us learn from our past, focus on the future, and support those who willingly serve.

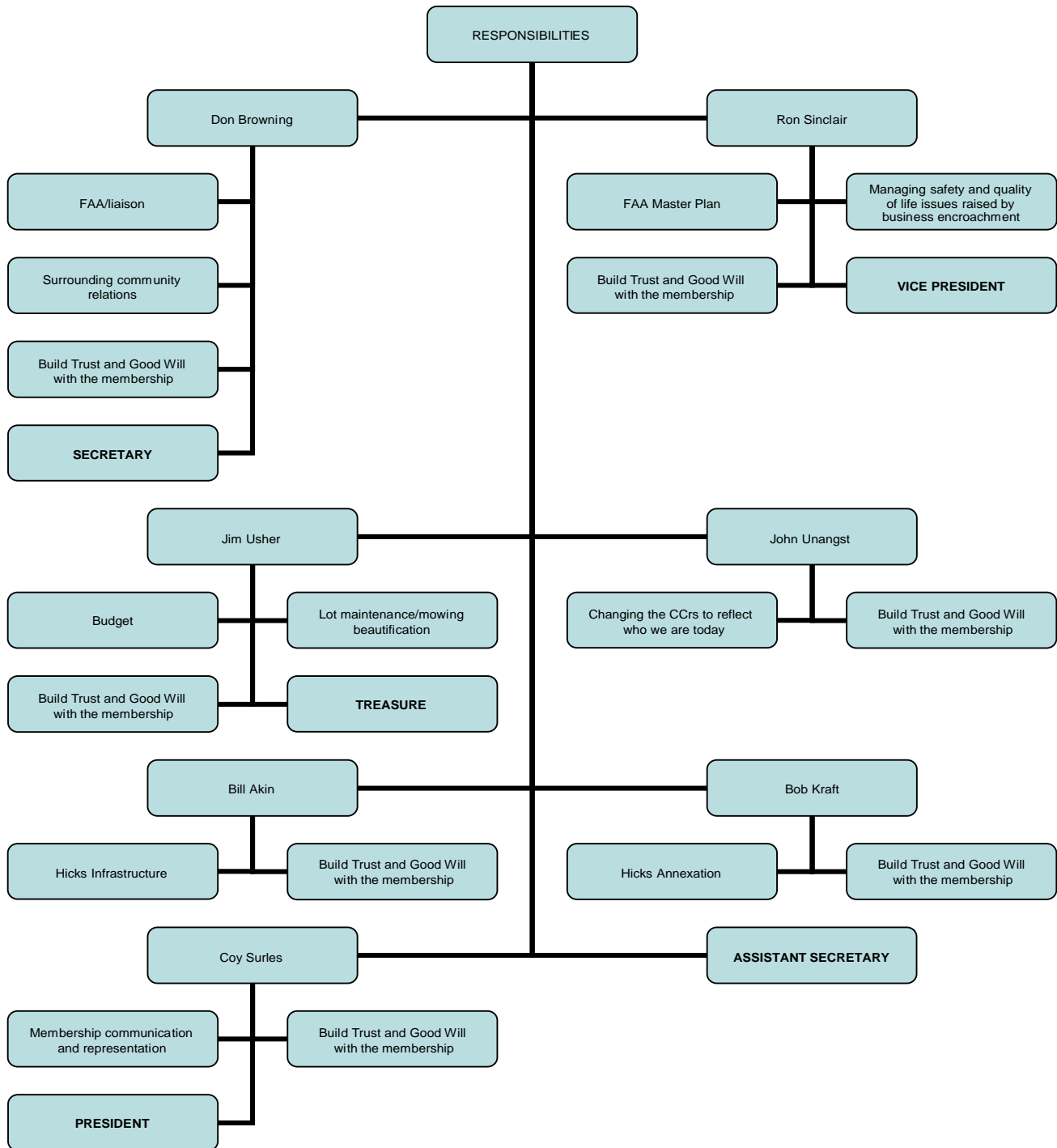
Thank you

Coy Surles

President

Hicks Airfield Pilots Association

HicksBoard



**Income
Statement
HAPA**

INCOME	<u>November, 2006</u>	<u>YTD 2006</u>	<u>2006 Operations</u>
Scheduled Income			
Regular Assessments	\$ 6,263	\$ 68,953	\$ 68,953
Runway Fees (471 Lots)	10,635	116,915	-
Total Scheduled Income	<u>16,898</u>	<u>185,868</u>	<u>68,953</u>
Other Income			
Late/NSF Fees	108	976	976
Fines	-	500	500
Gate/Miscellaneous Income	45	795	795
Interest Income	146	8,590	8,590
Total Other Income	<u>299</u>	<u>10,861</u>	<u>10,861</u>
Total Income	<u>\$ 17,197</u>	<u>\$ 196,729</u>	<u>\$ 79,814</u>
EXPENSE			
Administrative Expenses			
Bad Debt Expense	-	1,198	1,198
Bank/Check Charges	-	40	40
Collection Services	210	198	198
Copies & Postage	366	8,224	8,224
Data Processing	20	422	422
Rental/Storage	275	3,654	3,654
Licenses/Permits/Inspection Fees	-	-	-
Meetings	-	1,100	1,100
Printing	-	1,427	1,427
Member Relations	788	788	788
Professional Services			
Accounting/Audit	-	500	500
Legal & Professional	-	54,758	54,758
Management Fees	899	9,889	9,889
Taxes and Insurance			
Directors and Officers Liability	-	2,127	2,127
General Liability Insurance	-	4,510	4,510
Taxes - Other	-	(2)	(2)
Property Taxes	-	43	43
Utilities			
Electricity	403	8,615	8,615
Contracts			
Lawn Maintenance Contract	1,388	4,730	4,730
Courtesy Patrol Contract	555	3,855	3,855
Repairs and Maintenance			
Electrical/Lights	-	399	399
Fences/Gates/Walls	-	521	521

Equipment/Tractor Repairs	-	-	-
Sign Repair	-	-	-
Pavement Repairs	16	340	340
Plumbing	-	-	-
Septic Field Repairs	-	7,178	7,178
Gas/Oil	-	-	-
Other Expenses			
Misc. Expenses	12	126	126
Capital Improvements			
Capital Improvement - Signs	-	-	-
Reserve Contributions			
Deferred Maintenance Reserve	-	187	187
Total Expense	<u>\$ 4,933</u>	<u>\$ 114,828</u>	<u>\$ 114,828</u>
Net Income/(Loss)	<u>\$ 12,264</u>	<u>\$ 81,901</u>	<u>\$ (35,014)</u>

Maintenance Projects			
New Runway Expense	\$ 4,286	\$ 316,619	
<i>(Funded by Runway Reserves)</i>			

BALANCE SHEET - HAPA As of November 30, 2006

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND OWNERS EQUITY	
Current Assets		Current Liabilities	
Operating Cash—PMG	\$ 12,631	Prepaid Assessments	22,801
Community Assn Bank (First Nat'l Bank of Arizona)		Accounts Payable	<u>3,277</u>
Runway Fee Reserves	32,541	Total Current Liabilities	26,078
Community Assn Bank (First Nat'l Bank of Arizona)		Other Liabilities	
Operating Cash—BOD	1,642	Collection Costs/Other Escrow	2,046
Justin State Bank		Total Other Liabilities	<u>2,046</u>
Short-Term Investments	22,343	Total Liabilities	\$28,124
Beal Bank		OWNER'S EQUITY	
Total Cash	69,157	Reserves	
Accounts Receivable	<u>24,964*</u>	Deferred Maintenance Reserve	21,818
Total Current Assets	94,121	Equity	
Other Assets		Retained Earnings	282,175
Prepaid Expenses	<u>3,277</u>	Total Owner's Equity	\$303,992
Total Assets	\$97,398	Net Income/(Loss)	(234,718)
		Total Liabilities & Owner's Equity	\$97,398

* A/R: \$17,520 over 90 days

Hicks Airfield Pilots Association

Minutes

An organizational meeting of the Hicks Airfield Pilots Association Directors was held on December 18, 2006 at Hicks Airfield in Hangar 155. Directors present at the meeting were Bill Akin, Don Browning, Bob Kraft, Ron Sinclair, Coy Surles, John Unangst, and Jim Usher. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm.

Nominations were made and the following officers were elected by acclamation:

President: Coy Surles
Vice President: Ron Sinclair
Treasurer: Jim Usher
Secretary: Don Browning

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Don Browning

FOR CONTINENTAL(TCM) ENGINES AT ANNUAL OR 100 HOUR INSPECTION

(Or any time a suspect cylinder is in doubt)

TCM Service Bulletin SB03-3 states: "TCM requires a cylinder borescope inspection be accomplished in conjunction with the differential pressure test." (This is NOT an FAA mandate.)

With the development of recent borescopes, this inspection becomes an excellent tool that will affect your decision on a suspect cylinder, regardless of engine manufacturer.

We have a solution: a borescope based here at T67.

For an appointment please call **Jim Usher @ 817-236-7506** or **Robert Read @ 817-439-0757**.



2007 Fly In Schedule:

January 6: **McGregor Executive (KPWG), Waco, TX**

Pancake Breakfast Fly In from 8:30 to 11:00am, sponsored by EAA Chapter 59.

Fayette Regional (3T5), La Grange, TX

EAA Chapter 1347 Monthly BBQ Fly In. Barbecue brisket and sausage and all the trimmings. 11am to 1pm FREE - donations will go to scholarships that support higher education in aviation careers.

January 13: **New Braunfels Municipal (KBAZ), New Braunfels, TX**

Pancake Breakfast Fly In, coffee, and discounted fuel for all fly ins.

Angelina County Airport (KLFK), Lufkin, TX

Free Fajita Fly In sponsored by EAA Chapter 1219 and Angelina County Airport.

10am - 2pm, Discount fuel for fly ins. jackp9@aol.com or 936-674-6370

January 20: **Tyler Pounds Regional (KTYR), Tyler, TX**

Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast, 8am - 11am, Sponsored by CAP Squadron. 903-592-2426

January 27: **Granbury Municipal (KGDJ), Granbury, TX**

Monthly Pancake Breakfast Fly In, 8:30am - 10:30am, door prizes & raffles monthly.

Watch bulletin boards and the website calendar for late posted items.

Say it Right! Radio Comm in Today's Airspace

Ever heard a radio call that made you scratch your head -- or worse yet, cringe? Most of us, at one point or another, have struggled to find the right words on the radio.

Attend this free seminar and increase your communication know-how with practical tips on communicating in today's airspace. You'll also get straightforward advice on common pitfalls for VFR and IFR operations, communicating in an emergency, and coping with challenges at both towered and non-towered airports.

Plus, don't miss a rare opportunity to take part in a Q & A session with a local air traffic controller: Be sure to bring the questions you've always wanted to ask!

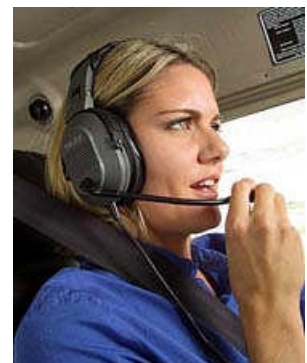
You'll also learn:

- The three magic words every pilot should know.
- Some things you should check before squawking 7600 for lost communication.
- The popular phrase the 2007 AIM says should NOT be used under any circumstances.
- And much more...

When: **January 22nd, 2007**

Time: **7:00pm to 9:00pm**

Where: **Tarrant County College – Northwest Campus 4801 Marine Creek Parkway
 Rooms 1303 & 1305 of the WSTU Bldg**



New Year's Resolutions for Aviators

Rick Durden has been writing for *AVWeb*, *Aviation Consumer*, and *AOPA Pilot* for many years. In a recent *AVWeb* he proposed several resolutions for those that wish to fly, survive and enjoy little airplanes. Reprinting a few of them may spark some or all.

1. Take dual with a CFI every 6 months with emphasis on emergencies. 2. Read at least 1 aviation-related publication each week.
3. Be regularly involved in a good aviation-related internet forum where there is an exchange of operating techniques and ideas by competent folks preferably concerning the type you fly (very few of the Cirrus owners that died thus far were signed up with the Cirrus Owner' forum).
4. Be absolutely resolute in never trying to fly VFR into IMC. Every year it is in the top 2 or 3 killers of general aviation pilots and their innocent passengers.
5. Always remember that extra speed on final approach is the most common reason that pilots wreck airplanes on landing. Be very cautious to fly the published approach speed plus no more than half the gust factor, no matter what flap setting is being used.
6. Write down the maximum acceptable crosswind component for any plane you fly and keep them handy for every flight in case you are pressured to fly in marginal conditions, the numbers are there as a reference and a good, strong reason to "just say no!". Do the same for minimum acceptable runway length on a hot day in the same planes.
7. More writing, set out the minimum ceiling and visibility acceptable for VFR flight. Resolve that if either the ceiling or visibility lowers to something close to those numbers while in flight, you'll divert to the nearest airport and land or if necessary, make a pre-cautionary landing in a field.
8. Be willing to declare an emergency if a situation deteriorates to below normal parameters. It is NOT better to be dead than to be a little embarrassed. A real pilot should be mature enough to do whatever it takes to keep everyone in the airplane alive!
9. Fly precisely all the time. If this habit is not there normally, it's not going to be there when it really matters.
10. Be willing to postpone your trip for weather or mechanical problems.
11. Stay humble and willing to learn. Knowledge is power when it comes to staying alive in little airplanes. We know that we are all the "best pilot in the world" but when we set aside the ego, we know we can learn something even from the worst pilot there is.
12. Fly how you would want your friend to fly if you were in the back seat, out of reach of the controls.

FLY SMART AND SAFE AND LET'S HAVE FUN FLYING IN 2007!

2007 HAPA DIRECTORY

A new, updated HAPA directory is being compiled using the previous directory listings and the public information available on the Tarrant Appraisal District website in order to reflect the current owners of hangars and lots at Hicks. You will find several spaces below for corrections, updates, and additions to your personal info (phone numbers, email addresses, N number of your aircraft, etc.) if you wish to have this information made available to other HAPA members.

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Mail Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

N Number: _____ Type Acft: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Any changes to information must be accompanied by your signature.)

Please mail your new info to: **HAPA, 100 Aviator Drive, Ft Worth, TX 76179** or email it to admin@t67.org to assist us in getting the directory online and available to the membership. The information will be located in a password protected section of the Official HAPA website, www.t67.org

No information you furnish to HAPA will be released for any other purpose.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING



All advertising must be submitted by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the newsletter. Previous advertising must be resubmitted each month. All HAPA members may advertise personal goods at no charge. All Non-HAPA members or HAPA members requesting business or commercial ads **may** be charged a nominal fee. To place an ad or get fee information please contact **Mike Reddick** at michaelreddick@yahoo.com or **817-439-0234**.



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