

**Flying Samaritans
Mother Lode Chapter
Meeting Minutes. August, 2017**

I. Administration

- A. Call to Order: @ 1800
- B. Attendance (attendees in bold)
 - 1. President: Doug Wirzberger
Immediate Past President: Phil Lancaster
 - 2. Treasurer: **Bill Hurson**
 - 3. Corresponding Secretary: Pam Fallo
 - 4. Recording Secretary: **Dianne VanOrder**
- C. Appointed Coordinators (attendees in bold)
 - 1. Medical Coordinator: **Bill McDavid**
 - 2. Dental Coordinator: Todd Makiyama
 - 3. Optical Coordinator: **Chris Nelson**
 - 4. Transportation Coordinator: **Joel Prosser**
 - 5. Nurse Coordinator-Scheduling: **Pam Polk**
 - 6. Nurse Coordinator-Clinic Manager: Dianne VanOrder
 - 7. IBOD Representatives: Justin Sherill, Tim Itoi
 - 8. Membership Coordinator: Doug Wirzberger
 - 9. Scholarship Chair: **Frank Marquez**
 - 11. Pilot Recruitment: Phil Lancaster
 - 12. Public Relations Coordinator: Chris Nelson
 - 13. Junior Public Relations Coordinator: Sahej Sethi
 - 14. Newsletter: Justin Sherill
- D. Lifetime Members: Joel Prosser, Bill McDavid, Chris Nelson, Bob Haining, Charlie/Mary Arita
- E. Other Members Present: **Carol Armstrong**
- F. Introductions:

Board Meeting Minutes: June meeting (no July Board meeting)

- 1. Changes: None
- 2. Motion to Approve: Chris Nelson
- 3. Seconded: Bill Hurson
- 4. Vote: all in favor, one abstention

II. Reports:

- A. President's Report: Doug Wirzberger
 - 1. Discussion with Rotarians from East Sacramento concerning improvements/changes to our building in San Quintin. This item will be discussed with Rotary in September
 - 2. Gold Coast/Mother Lode Pilot Sharing: Gold Coast will insure that cost sharing is equal to Mother Lode for any Mother Lode pilots that fly for Gold Coast clinics.
 - 3. Pilot recruiting: Very important to build our roster of available pilots. Please assist Phil Lancaster with ideas for pilot recruiting.

4. This is information from David Gowan to Doug:
“Gentlemen, I just left the Los Pinos airstrip after pre-preflight for tomorrow's departure. I was able to confirm that the Los Pinos CTAF is **123.3 NOT** 122.8 as on our pilot's guide. I would recommend that the guide be corrected and an advisory email sent to our pilots prior to our next clinic. Safety issue.
From the information Doug has obtained this appears to be correct.
At least one of our pilots is still able to talk with other pilots in the area using 122.8 frequency.

B. Public Relations-Fund Raising Report: Chris Nelson

1. Presentations continue, the most recent was at a Lions Club with several checks being presented to our treasurer. .
2. We have had a contact from KCRA Channel 3 in Sacramento to do a story about us both in Sacramento and on site in Baja, as discussions progress more will be said.
3. The birthday party/fund raiser for Theresa Makiyama in October needs FS volunteers to help. Plans so far include a FS table with brochures, etc. and a video. Further planning and discussions will continue. Some suggestions for fund raising activities include raffles, and other suggestions are requested.
4. One of the members from Rotary contacted Chris with a donation of a dental xray machine. Chris will see that it gets to Baja this month.

C. Treasurer's Report: Bill Hurson

Net for July	\$ 2,510.94
Net for Year:	\$ Fiscal year begins in July
Amount in checking:	\$ 16,346.03
Amount in savings:	\$ 22,939.20
Total cash on hand:	\$ 39,285.23

D. Corresponding Secretary's Report: Pam Fallo None

E. Website: Tim Itoi None

F. Newsletter: Justin Sherrill None

G. Membership Coordinator's Report: Doug Wirzberger

1. Clinic Travel Guide has been updated on FSMO website to reflect current entry/exit Visa costs.
2. Regarding ROLs, please be aware of the following:
 - a. All ROLs must be signed by a witness. If not signed by a witness, the ROL is not valid.
 - b. Our IBOD requires that we have the original ROL with inked signature. We cannot accept digital copies.
3. Please let Membership Coordinator know if registration for a given clinic should be put to "standby" or "closed" for additional registrants.
4. Room reservations for 8 rooms have been made for the August clinic.
5. Dr. Alexa Navarro, DDS, emailed Doug about her first dental clinic with Flying Sams including the following:

“My first experience with the Flying Samaritans was amazing. I was a little nervous at first because it was my first time in a small plane and I hadn’t heard from the pilot until a few days before the flight. A few days before, everything came together and I think it was because there was a shortage of pilots at the time. I loved the camaraderie amongst the members and the dental facilities were great. There were a lot more supplies than I thought. If anything my only complaint is that I wish we could do even more and see more patients. I loved the food.
I would love to return for future trips. It would be helpful if emails were sent out letting people know if more volunteers/doctors/dentists are needed for future trips. I know many colleagues and friends that would love to join future trips. I will keep you posted if I think of any other comments or feedback.”

H. Medical: See website for report June & July 2017

I. Optical: See website for report June & July 2017

J. Dental: see website for report June & July 2017

K. Transportation Coordinator and Pilot Assignments: Joel Prosser

1. Scholarship follow up. The Board approved an additional \$1,500.00 from FS funds making a total of \$9,100.00 for disbursement to students. 27 secondary/junior high students received \$150.00; and, 20 high school students received \$250.00.

2. Pilot Assignments.

Pilot, Chris Nelson: passengers, Bill McDavid

Pilot: Joel Prosser: passengers, Frank Marquez, Pam Polk

L. IBOD Report: Doug Wirzberger

August 5, 2017 IBOD meeting cancelled, will be advised when re-scheduled.

M. Pilot Recruitment: Phil Lancaster

Phillips 66 has a program benefitting pilots with \$1.00 off a gallon of Avgas at certain airports. There is one in Byron. More follow up as things progress.

III. Old Business None

IV: New Business

1. Change instructions on website for volunteers to include what their city of residence is. A letter will be sent to Blytheco asking that a change be made to the online registration form.
2. What do we do about lunches at clinic on Saturday? There were several who missed lunch on the Saturday clinic in July. THIS SHOULD NOT HAPPEN. Everyone is working hard and need the break and something to eat. It has been suggested by one of our volunteers that lunch at the San Felipe clinic is furnished by Flying Sams. What do you think? More discussion to follow.

3. Apparently Gold Coast does not have liability insurance on their vehicles?

While at clinic in August Chris will take care of the insurance issue with both Gold Coast and our own,

4. We need to start doing some succession planning for our clinics. Suggestions?
5. We need to update and revise our Bylaws as an organization.
6. We need to schedule elections to Board positions. This was supposed to take place in March, but did not happen.
7. We need to look at what our future expenditures might be, i.e. vehicles, optical equipment.

SAVE THE DATES:

AUGUST 25, 2017 Paso Robles Airport Air Fest & Barnstormer's Bash

October 21, 2017 Birthday party for Theresa Dao-Makiyama at Los Gatos Hotel

(This is also a fund raiser for FS Mother Lode Chapter) More information to come).

Motion to Adjourn: Bill McDavid

Seconded: Pam Polk

Vote: unanimous

Adjourned: 1900