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# IT'S TIME FOR OUR ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF

October 15 - 5:30 p.m.

Prizes awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in amounts of \$20, \$15, and \$10. Both men and women are encouraged to enter. All entries must be homemade in order to be judged. If you aren't inclined to bring chili, bring something else --- perhaps a dessert or a salad or whatever. Your choice!

#### BOARD MEETING NOTES (Recorded by Allison Matthews)

Our September 13 Board Meeting attendance included Don Hughes, Vern Sullenger, Jim Snyder, Allison, Robert, Mason and Katelynn Matthews, Mike Hoover and Wilma Winings. We opened with prayer by Don which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vern reported a bank balance of \$6,238.63 which included receipts from our Lunch at the Airport. Some LATA expenses have not been paid as yet.

Vern also shared a thank you note from Amy and Joelene for reimbursing them for their fuel expenses for the Air Race Classic. The note will be posted on the bulletin board for anyone who would like to view the pictures and read the comments.

**Lunch at the Airport** – Lots of information was shared. The Facebook notice boosted attendance. Several people said they saw the new signs and turned in. There were roughly 556 lunch tickets sold with 77 free lunches for ages 6 and under.

**Thoughts for next year:** We started with \$400 cash and needed additional change. It was suggested that the charge be \$10 so we are not making change on each person. The \$10 could include a drink as well which would eliminating selling drinks.

Perhaps instead of selling tickets for the lunch we could stamp each person's hand as they paid for the lunch. This would eliminate tickets altogether. Instructions for the cashiers should be available as to the procedure.

Vern suggested we rethink the drawing and how we choose winners. We could have them fill out a card if interested in the drawing and notify them after the event. This would prevent the names of people being drawn who were not interested in a plane ride.

We should also rethink the routing of the lunch line now that we are having so many attend.

Our flyer indicated a time of 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Start time and lunch time should be the same which would be 11 a.m. The 10:00 start time with an 11:00 lunch time made for a lot of confusion.

Perhaps there should be more booths centered around kids as well. This might prevent kids from doing pull-ups on Sluggo's struts.

Additional supplies will need to be purchased ahead of time so we aren't rushing out to buy more. Perhaps we could plan for a specific number of people to serve and cut off serving when that number is reached. (Vern will look at the expense receipts to figure out how many additional items were purchased during the lunch this year.)

We need to check to see if the 4 free discovery flights have been taken.

#### **New Business**

Our cookout will be on Saturday, the 17th and will feature brats, burgers and hot dogs at 5:30.

New Board Members --- We wish to add 3 or 4 new members to the board for 2023. Anyone interested in this opportunity should contact Don at 309-256-2730 or Jim at 317-430-7172. The board meets on the second Tuesday of the month, March through November, at 6:30 p.m. in the airport office.

A description of the duties as outlined in our newsletter of November 2015 reads as follows:

The Board of Directors attends the monthly meetings and offer advice and support to the HCAA Executive Team. The BOD votes on the executive officer candidates and determines who fills the positions. The BOD typically has been involved in past HCAA activities or has other work or life skills and experiences to share. Board members help to make the planning of events and finances go smoothly. Directors often volunteer to complete small action items that come about from the meetings. These tasks are usually making phone calls or emails to the resources we use for completing our business and our events.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

## **Big turnout for September Cookout**

A beautiful evening, a big crowd and lots of good food made the cookout one of a kind. Photos follow.





Chief Chef Darrell has the grill fired up. It's a smokin'



Linda, John and Vern enjoy a chat while waiting for a hot dog



Robert, Allison, Craig and Amy



Lou, Tammy, Lisa and JoAnn



Don and Jim serve sandwiches to Melissa and JoAnn



The line forms on the right. Mason says "WHAT?"



Nellie, Peter and Ruby enjoy the food - and the sunshine



A few stayed for a group photo

Craig, John, Russell, Marshall, Don, JoAnn, Allison, Robert, Darrell, Kenzie