

## Aero Club Board Meeting Minutes October 21, 2025

### **Attendees:**

Steve Anderson  
Colin Doyle  
Gary Engler  
Wade Nelson  
Bryan Pearson

Len Pintok  
Ryan Rask  
Mark Schwichtenberg  
Sean Truax (nonmember observer)  
Reuben Wagenius

*Meeting called to order at 5:04 PM.*

**Minutes:** Board members approve the written summary of the September 16, 2025 board meeting.

**Bylaws Update:** Wade conducts a vote amongst members in attendance, all of whom indicate they are in favor of adopting the new bylaws. In addition, Steve has received responses in favor of adopting the new bylaws from the following members:

Maddy Cassidy  
Theo Erasmus  
Izzy Loftus  
Tony Loftus  
Joe Mullen

Zack Pearson  
Gjertine Snow  
Patricia Thiedek  
Alyssa Windorski  
Leah Zimmer

At the time of this meeting, the total number of votes collected does not yet exceed the threshold required to adopt the new club bylaws; however, many club members have not yet cast their votes. Steve will follow up with those uncontacted members until we have received enough responses to proceed.

**Hangar Land Lease:** Steve leads a discussion regarding the Aero Club hangar land lease. He recounts his discussion of the lease with our Airport Director, Bill Towle, at the recent airport rebranding event. The current lease apparently prohibits the Aero Club from selling its hangar. In his discussion with Steve, Bill Towle advised other hangar owners' land leases allow them to sell their hangar or move their hangar off the airport, rather than relinquishing ownership of the building to the airport authority upon expiration or termination of their land leases. Gary suggests we may renegotiate our lease prior to its expiration in 2029, since Bill Towle seems receptive to revising our terms to use the same language as the aforementioned hangar owners' leases. Wade and Steve discuss plans to meet with Bill Towle and propose amending our lease.

**MOSAIC and Sport Pilots:** Under the recent MOSAIC final rule, both club aircraft are eligible to be operated by certificated Sport Pilots without FAA medical certificates or BasicMed.

Reuben spoke with a representative of our insurance company, who confirmed our policy would provide coverage to Sport Pilots operating club aircraft. Rates would not increase unless we admitted a member with a history of accidents, or if a member caused an insurance claim in a club aircraft.

Reuben advises that the insurance provider is privy to our bylaws and operations manual, and that we should ensure the language in those documents permits all appropriate FAA certificate holders to operate club aircraft, not specifically Private Pilot certificate holders and above.

Steve suggests adding a question to club onboarding documents asking if applicants have a disqualifying medical condition, and revising club operating rules with language requiring pilots meet all applicable FAA requirements regarding certification, medical fitness under 14 CFR 61.53(b,) currency, etc.

Until these changes are codified in our operations manual, the Aero Club will continue to prohibit pilots without a valid medical certificate from operating club aircraft. Wade suggests the subcommittee for revising the operations manual should meet soon and incorporate these changes into their work.

**Investment Fund:** Steve and Wade briefly discuss their ongoing goal of diversifying the investment fund. Work continues on this matter.

**Member Meetings:** Steve suggests we incorporate a short educational presentation into member meetings. Wade suggests the topic at our next meeting could be cold-weather operations in club aircraft.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will take place in the Aero Club hangar meeting room at 5:00 PM on November 18, 2025.

*Meeting adjourns at 5:59 PM.*