

General Aviation Association

for

Fairbanks International Airport

October 29, 2019

- Rod Combellick: president of GAA
 - Introductions of officers
 - Sample activities over past 6 months
 - Update on solar charging station installed in the south pavilion in the Air Park.
- Matt McClurg: Chief of Operations, FAI
 - Update on pilots' lounge improvements
 - Noted an ongoing ground transportation study
 - Brief note on tenant inspections, including tiedowns & float plane slips
 - Briefing on proposed small jet aircraft operations on east side
 - Introduced Roger Stevener: Deputy Chief Police & Fire, FAI
 - Discussed security and their aim of community policing
 - Asked all "If you see something, say something"
 - Call Security at 474-2530
- Cory Shaw: ATC Pilot Outreach Group
 - Tower phones: 474-0050 (ATC admin); 474-0452 (Tower cab)
 - FAIPilotOutreach@gmail.com
 - Noted some wrong-surface incursions this past season
 - Requested timely call ups for entering controlled airspace
 - Gave a refresher on Special VFR requests in TRSA
 - Controller mix at this time is 15 certified and 7 trainees
- Tom George: AK Regional Manager, AOPA
 - Advocating for more ADS-B coverage in Alaska. Need at least 23 more ground stations for minimal coverage across most of the state
 - New weather product under test on 5 major routes in Alaska. The Alaska Aviation Guidance Product provides local forecast at 61 locations with AWOS stations for the next 6 hours.
 - AOPA Airport Support Network needs more volunteer airport contacts in a variety of AK airports.
- Reed Greenwood: US Army
 - Overview of the new restricted areas, to be on the next chart cycle sectionals

- Briefly gave some info on how the areas will be used, including coordination with Red Flag operations.
- Col. Ben Bishop: Commander, 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson AFB
 - Engaging presentation on his background, the F-35 aircraft, impacts of F-35s coming to Eielson, the benefits and scope of the Alaskan Training MOA's, and a bit on Red Flag ops.
- Rod Combellick:
 - Announcements and upcoming aviation related activities around AK
 - Door prizes were drawn throughout the evening. Thanks to the following donors:
 - Aircom Avionics
 - Delcourt Aviation
 - East Ramp Wood Fired Pizza
 - Northland Aviation
 - ProFlite of Alaska
 - Renewable Energy Systems
 - Introduced Jim Falsey: GAA treasurer
 - Treasurer's report
 - Meeting adjourned

Estimated 55-60 attendees