

WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION

12th

Minutes of the twelfth meeting of the Board of Directors - September 12, 1974.

1. The meeting convened at 10:00 A. M. at the L. G. Hanscom Officer's Club. The following directors were present:

L. Fehlner ✓	D. Haislip
J. Van Etten	J. Beukers
W. Roland	C. Pasquier
L. Higginbotham	

The attendance did not constitute a quorum.

In addition, other attendees were:

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B. Uttam, at the invitation of W. Roland
R. Romandetto, Convention Chairman
W. Rice, observer (part-time)

2. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
3. Report from the convention chairman, Bob Romandetto. A lengthy discussion was held concerning the arrangements for the convention to be held October 2-4 at the Playboy Club at Great Gorge, New Jersey. This included a projection of the numbers attending, dues to be charged, material for sale, technical sessions and papers to be presented, and the order of business at the dinner. It was noted that there was some confusion regarding the technical papers to be presented, there being more papers than time allotted for their presentation. The consensus of opinion was that split sessions to accommodate these papers was not a good idea. Lloyd Higginbotham undertook to clarify the situation.

An agenda was suggested for the proceedings at the dinner as follows: Opening remarks by Bob Romandetto, who would pass the meeting over to the outgoing president, Llyod Higginbotham, who in turn would introduce the new president, Jim Van Etten. Jim Van Etten would introduce the new officers and board members, after which he would introduce speaker John Murphy. Awards would be given following the speech by John Murphy.

The new Ms. Wild Goose and escort would be presented at the cocktail party.

It was proposed by Jim Van Etten that John Murphy be made an honorary member of the WGA. This motion was seconded by Claude Pasquier. In the following discussion it was suggested that John Murphy be contacted to determine whether he could accept such an award. The motion was unanimously passed by those present.

4. Bill Roland introduced Bahar Utlam from TASC, who has volunteered to put together a Loran journal to be put out under the name of the WGA. Utlam presented his ideas in the form of a two page outline covering content and some thoughts on obtaining revenue through advertising. There followed a discussion concerning costs, quantity to be published and distribution. The question of ensuring continued yearly publication of the journal was raised by John Beukers, who recommended that the necessary organization be structured within the WGA. Leo Fehlner made a motion that Bill Roland continue to explore the publication of an annual journal and prepare a specific plan of action for Board of Director approval at the fourteenth Board of Directors meeting and coordinate wording of a proposed By-Laws change to achieve annual publication with a Chairman specified in the By-Laws. This motion was seconded by Bill Roland, as amended by Jim Van Etten, and carried unanimously by those present.
5. Technical material. David Haislip presented the meeting with a copy of the Department of Transportation National Plan for Navigation Annex, July, 1974, and stated that these would be available for distribution at the convention. David Haislip also indicated that there would be copies of the Loran-C User Handbook, both for the WGA and for distribution, at the convention. John Beukers noted that the proceedings from the recent congressional hearings were now available and could be purchased at \$3.70, and that a limited number would be available at the convention. It was noted that the supply of the Loran-C Handbook by Hefley had run out and that a reorder was necessary. Lloyd Higginbotham presented the meeting with a copy of an extract from "The Navigator" Volume XXI, Number 2, June, 1974, covering aspects of Loran which he suggested could be distributed.

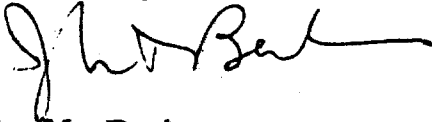
6. Financial report. The Treasurer, Bill Roland, presented details of income and expenditures, and reported a balance of \$4,024.05. The financial report was signed by the Secretary.
7. The subject of membership was discussed and it was generally agreed that the membership procedure needs to be overhauled. It was reported that some 70 people had not renewed their membership, and that the current membership stood at approximately 300.
8. Local chapters. The policy of the national organization towards local chapters for the reimbursement of start-up costs was discussed. After a lengthy and inconclusive discussion, it was proposed by John Beukers that the matter of dues and reimbursement of subchapter start-up costs be placed on the agenda for the next board meeting. This was seconded by Jim Van Etten and unanimously passed by those present.
9. Loran promotion. The Chairman of the adhoc committee for Loran promotion, Leo Fehlner, reported on activity since the last board meeting. He noted with concern that because of funding limitations within the Coast Guard, there was little chance that the recommendations of the workshop would be carried out. He felt that the WGA should continue to promote the marine equivalent of ARINC, namely the Loran Users Administrative Council (LUAC). There followed a lengthy discussion and John Beukers emphasized the need for continuation of the efforts at congressional level in Washington. He also strongly supported Leo Fehlner's suggestion that the WGA become concerned with the recommendations of the workshop. It was then proposed by Jim Van Etten that the recommendations outlined in the workshop be dealt with by the WGA. This was seconded by John Beukers and unanimously passed by those present. There followed further discussions regarding Loran promotion, and John Beukers urged strongly that the WGA have an action campaign to bring Loran-A manufacturers and users into the organization. Lloyd Higginbotham stressed that the organization is for Loran and not only Loran-C.
10. Awards. Jim Van Etten introduced a discussion on awards and suggested that the awards enumerated in the By-Laws do not fulfill the requirements of the organization. There was general agreement on this. Jim Van Etten proposed that the By-Laws be changed to include a President's Award, to be awarded by the president with the consent of the Board. This was seconded by John Beukers and unanimously passed by those present. A discussion followed in which recommendations were made to the President for this award.

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A suggestion, which met with approval, was that the Coast Guard should be the recipient of a President's Award (if approved), to be accepted at the convention.

11. Institute of Navigation/WGA. John Beukers introduced the subject of the relationship of the WGA and the ION. He recommended that the incoming president, Jim Van Etten, and the current president of the ION, Al Winick, meet in the near future to bring the two organizations close together.
12. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,



John M. Beukers

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