

Aero Club Board Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2026

Attendees:

Steve Anderson
Colin Doyle
Tyler Marschall
Bruce Moenck

Wade Nelson
Bryan Pearson
Steve Reisdorf
Gjertine Snow

Steve Szymanski
Patricia Thiedek (via Zoom)
Reuben Wagenius

Meeting called to order at 5:01 PM.

Minutes: Board members approve the minutes from the September 15 meeting.

Operations Update: Bryan briefs the board on the status of both club aircraft. No major repairs or maintenance events have taken place since the last meeting. The nosewheel tire of 3517V went flat recently and was repaired, and the same airplane is scheduled to receive an oil change next week.

He reminds club members that the weather is cooling and we'll soon begin using engine blankets and plugging in the engine heaters.

Treasurer Update: Reuben reports that the club is doing well, and that revenue has been coming primarily from the usage of N46308, which is being flown more frequently than N3517V.

In September, N46308 was booked for 42 flights and N3517V was booked for five flights. At the time of meeting, N46308 had been booked 37 times and N3517V had been booked seven times in the month of October. A small percentage of these bookings resulted in cancellations.

Reuben mentions that a new member, Pete, has joined the club.

Memorial Update: Steve Anderson confirms he attended Ken Raiber's memorial service and presented the floral arrangement on behalf of the Aero Club. He has reached out to Raiber's family for assistance in our goal of nominating him to the Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame.

Other Business: Tyler Marschall expresses interest in instructing in club aircraft. Wade requests Tyler submit a written request to the board detailing his credentials and provides proof of insurance coverage.

Board members discuss the carpet in N46308, which is loosely laid into the floor pan and not well secured at the door frames. Steve Anderson says the carpet is an aftermarket product from Airtex, and that he believes it has been replaced numerous times. He mentions having used Velcro to secure a loose glare shield in the past, and suggests we may use Velcro to secure the carpet to the floor pan.

Discussion ensues regarding washing club aircraft. After every flight, members are supposed to be wiping bugs and debris off the windshields and leading edges, but the interiors and undersides of the airplanes are due for cleaning. No definite plans are made to wash the airplanes before the weather gets too cold; St. Cloud Aviation has a heated hangar with a floor drain which could be used to wash the airplanes at any time of year.

Steve Anderson cautions members to exercise caution when washing the aircraft, citing the short metal transponder antenna as an example of a protrusion that could be easily damaged by a wash brush.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place November 17th at 5:00 PM.

Meeting adjourns at 5:30 PM.