

INTERNATIONAL COMANCHE SOCIETY, INC  
Minutes for the  
ICS Fall Board Meeting – October 18, 2014  
Marriott Hotel – Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
By Ron Keil, Secretary

1. Bob Cretney, ICS President, called the meeting to order at 08:35a local time

**2. Roll Call**

**Officers:**

President:	Bob Cretney	Present
Vice President:	Berl Grant	Present
Treasurer:	Pat Donovan	Present
Secretary:	Ron Keil	Present
Past President	Zach Grant	Present - TeamSpeak

**Tribe Chiefs/Tribe Representatives:**

Tribe Rep/SW:	Scott Myers	Absent
Tribe Rep/SC:	Bob Fox	Present
Tribe Rep/NW:	Bill Case	Present - TeamSpeak
Tribe Chief/Rep/SE:	Phillip Hobbs	Absent
Tribe Chief/Rep/Eur:	Kate Burrows	Present - TeamSpeak
Tribe Chief/Rep/MS	Carl Talkington	Present
Tribe Chief/Rep/NE	CJ Stumpf	Present - TeamSpeak
Tribe Rep/NC	Zach Grant	Present - TeamSpeak
Tribe Chief/Rep/W Can	Ken Mori	Present - TeamSpeak
Tribe Chief/Rep/E Can	Tim Stain	Absent
Tribe Chief/Rep S Africa	Russell Knowles	Absent
Tribe Chief/Rep Aus	George Mills	Absent
CFF President	Mike Foster	TeamSpeak (Non-Voting)

**Guests:**

NC Tribe	Betty Keil	Present (Non-Voting)
Bylaws Chair	Hank Spellman	TeamSpeak (Non-Voting)
SC Tribe	Ron Franks	Present (Non-Voting)

3. Quorum: (eleven) 11 Board Members were present.

**4. President's opening remarks:**

- Bob thanked everyone for coming to the Fall Board Meeting.

- Bob said that the Australian Tribe will host the 2016 Convention this will be expanded during the 2016 Convention Report.

5. Minutes of the Spring Board Meeting were presented by Ron Keil, Secretary

**Motion:** Berl Grant moved to accept the Minutes as Presented: Carl Talkington seconded the motion; The motion carried unanimously.

6. Treasures Report was presented by Pat Donovan, Treasurer

See the report on the ICS Website.

- Treasurer's report was sent out to all of the Board Members.
- Net Income \$2700 thru the end of the Third Quarter. Most of that profit was because of underspending in the Website Support Account.
- The Membership continues to drop, 143 less than last year. The Membership income is down by \$4500 due to this reduction in Membership
- The 2015 Budget was approved at the last Board Meeting.
- Bob asked if money was set aside for 2015 Oshkosh. Pat said that \$5000 is in the Budget for Oshkosh.

**Motion:** Berl Grant moved to accept the Treasure's Report as read: Carl Talkington seconded the motion; The motion carried unanimously.

7. 2014 Convention Report: given by Carl Talkington

The 2014 convention at Oshkosh concluded successfully. We had a total attendance of 104 members, about the same as previous conventions. While successful, it doesn't appear that the shorter simpler convention, even when combined with AirVenture, resulted in increased attendance. Many of the members attending were new to Oshkosh and ICS Conventions.

104 members attended

The break even objective resulted in a net profit of \$2,129.19 after all expenses were paid.

This was split with ICS resulting in \$1,064.60 paid to ICS; a check for \$889.60 plus the \$165 worth of coffee cups sold by ICS.

Refunds were made to all members who canceled. Those canceling at the last minute received refunds less the catering costs that had already been committed.

Flagship competition results:

FLAGSHIP WINNER:  
BEST TWIN:

Dave Lessnick      ICS# 15929  
Fernando Donatti    ICS# 17275

BEST SINGLE:	Mark Zeiler	ICS# 17529
MEMBER'S CHOICE:	Mark Zeiler	ICS# 17529
GOLDEN CIRCLE:	Francis Sargent	ICS# 61
ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT:	Hank Spellman	ICS# 5847

8. 2015 Convention Report: given by Bob Fox

The Hilton Courtyard by Marriott contract has been secured.  
The Banquet is being finalized.  
Shirley Nelson has been in the loop and has been an asset to the planning.  
So far so good.

9. 2016 Convention Report: given by Bob Cretney for the Australian Tribe

Bob has received an email from Tony Van Der Spek from the Australian Tribe. The email mentioned that at a recent Fly-in meeting the 2016 Convention question and location were finalized.  
The Convention will be in Queenstown New Zealand, March 22 – 26 2016. They say this is the best time to visit New Zealand, which will be in their Fall. There will also be a great Air Show at this time.

10. Tribe Reports:

a.i.A. Australian tribe report submitted by Tony Van Der Spek

Tribe is in extremely sound financial position.  
Membership October 2014 = 118  
The Tribe hosted 2 Fly-Ins this year  
The tribe hosted a very successful Pilot Proficiency Program in February with 22 members attending  
Officers remained the same.

a.i.B. European tribe report submitted by Kate Burrows

Bank balance end of last year was F20168.00  
Membership August 2014 = 95  
The tribe hosted 3 fly-ins in 2014.

a.i.C. West Canada tribe report submitted by Ken Mori

Bank balance is \$10,980 Canadian

No membership report  
The tribe hosted 2 fly-ins in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

a.i.D. MS tribe report submitted by Carl Talkington

Bank balance is \$22,604.00  
Membership September 2013 = 238  
Membership September 2014 = 213  
The Tribe Hosted the 2014 Convention

a.i.E. SE tribe report submitted by Phillip Hobbs

Bank balance is \$13,770.51  
Membership September 2014 = 281  
The Tribe Hosted CPTP Training in February and March, 4 other fly-ins  
Completed or planned this year.

a.i.F. NE tribe report submitted by CJ Stumpf

Bank balance is \$3955.38  
Membership March 2014 = 241  
The Tribe Hosted 6 Fly-Ins, with 2 more planned for the year.  
The tribe hosted a very well attended CPPP training in October.

a.i.G. SC tribe report submitted Bob Fox

Bank balance is \$16103.95  
Membership November 2014 = 221  
The Tribe Hosted 4 Fly-Ins, and a CPTP IFR refresher is scheduled for October.

a.i.H. NW tribe report submitted by Bill Case

Bank balance is Several Thousand  
Membership October 2014 = 120  
The tribe hosted 1 fly-in this year.

I. NC tribe report submitted by Bob Williams

Bank balance is \$22,000  
Membership unchanged  
No new fly-ins planned the rest of the year

## 11. ICS Membership Report submitted by Bill Case

Bill has talked to Village Press who get information from the FAA registry for new Comanche owners. Recruitment letters are sent to these new owners and the response is typically 9%, which is considered effective.

The first meeting of the Membership committee is scheduled for October 28, 2014.

Members of the Committee:

Bill Case  
Ron Keil  
Berl Grant  
Scott Myers

Some additional comments:

- Bob Cretney – Bob received a handwritten letter from Robert Kline ICS#12041 with some very good suggestions for increasing membership and “selling our Comanche’s” to young pilots. These will be reviewed at the October meeting.
- Pat Donovan – We need more personal contacts to help get new ICS members
- CJ Stumpf – Publish Fly-ins on websites, go after non-member Comanche owners, host Comanche specific Young Eagle Fly days, and add activities at Fly-ins for non-fliers.
- Mike Foster - Give pilots a 15 minute ride in your Comanche
- Bob Cretney – Lets send extra Comanche Flyer Magazines to Airline Crew bases to generate interest among that group.

### a.12.12. Bylaw change – Ballot notice from 90 to 30 days

It was determined that there was no need to change the By-Law. Article 8, Section 5.

### a.12.13. New Website Report by Ron Keil

A request for proposal was given to Steve O’Connor for a new Website and Facebook page for the ICS organization. Steve gave us a Budgetary quote of \$3000 to develop the new Website and Facebook page and move the existing files and data bases to the new site, and get it up and running. The intention is to retain all of the features of the existing Website and add a few new ones.

Steve developed a shell to show what it would look like, and that can be viewed at [www.comanche.lapeeraviation.com](http://www.comanche.lapeeraviation.com).

a.12.14. Stabilator Horn Report by Zach Grant

The STC permission has been resolved, and that paper work is being sent to Australian Horn recipients.

Some Horns are being replaced without filing a report, so we are missing some valuable data. (This may have to be re-visited)

a.12.15. 2015 Oshkosh tent Chairman & Personnel

Pat Donovan is stepping down and we need a replacement

The tent is up from Sunday to Sunday

An EAA chapter in Fond U Lac stores our tables and rents us their chairs

\$5000 is budgeted each year for the tent

Over 100 members visit the tent during the week

Usually 2 seminars each morning

Hospitality – Promote ICS

ICS goodies sold at the tent

Meeting place for ICS members

**Motion:** Ron Keil moved to maintain a presence at Oshkosh: Carl Talkington seconded the motion; The motion carried – one abstain, one Nay.

a.12.16. A Oshkosh tent committee appointed by Bob Cretney:

Pat Donovan – Chair

Bob Cretney

Mike Foster

2 others TBD

a.12.17. Renewal Reminders from Village Press.

a.12.18. Electronic Magazine vs Hard Copy

- Bob Cretney has gotten a number of calls regarding the Electronic magazine.
- Many members still want Hard Copy.
- There are still many questions to answer before going completely electronic
  - Advertisers position

- Village Press's position
- Software readers for the magazine

**Motion:** Berl Grant moved to provide a paper copy as well as Electronic for February 2015; Bob Fox seconded the motion; The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: We will continue with the Electronic November Issue. Ken Mori was concerned about Fly-in information that will be in the November issue. Bob said that he will put that information into the December paper issue, and additional copies will be sent to Ken Mori.

a.12.19. Nominating Committee:

**Ron Keil recommended Dave Fitzgerald as the Chair of the Nominating Committee.**

**Bob Fox recommended Bruce Thrumman as member of the nominating Committee**

**Berl Grant recommended Ken Mori as member of the nominating Committee**

**Pat Donovan recommended Dennis Springer as a member of the nominating Committee**

a.12.20. Spring Board Meeting – Date and Location

Santa Fe, New Mexico  
April 18, 2015

**Motion:** Berl Grant moved to create Standing Rule 30-8 which shall read

Notification for all voting issues as per Article VIII, Section 9 of the By Laws can be by electronic email notification for members who have email, and by written letter for those who do not have email. This notification will also be posted on the ICS Web Site, as long as this notification meets the requirements of Section 6 of Article VIII of the By Laws.

Pat Donovan seconded the motion; The motion carried Unanimously.

a.12.21. Bob Cretney appointed a Committee for Safety and Public Relations:

CJ Stumpf     Chairman

Ron Franks    Member  
Scott Myers    Member

**ADJOURN:**

- 13. *Motion:*** Ron Keil moved to adjourn the Fall Board Meeting; Carl Talkington seconded the motion; The motion carried unanimously.