AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION
Annual Meeting of Members
September 15, 2020

Trustees in Attendance:
William C. Trimble III, Chairman; Mark R. Baker, President and CEO; Matthew J. Desch; Amanda C. Farnsworth

Members in Attendance:
Gregory Cohen, SVP Administration; Justine Harrison, General Counsel and Secretary; Erica Saccoia, SVP Finance & Accounting; members on the attached participant list.

Chairman Trimble called the meeting to order. The members noted on the attached Attendance List were present in person and, in addition, there were 89,115 members represented by proxies. Chairman of the Board William C. Trimble III, presided and Justine A. Harrison served as Secretary.

Chairman Trimble asked for the Secretary’s report. Ms. Harrison reported that she had examined the register of attendees and the proxies submitted, and that not less than 89,115 members were present in person, or represented by valid and legal proxy. She presented the Chairman with a certified computerized list of members entitled to vote, including a tabulation of proxies submitted. She reported that a notice of the meeting was published on the Association website, in the July and August and September 2020 issues of AOPA Pilot magazine, and in the July, August, and September 2020 Flight Training magazines, which are official publications of the Association, and that notices were timely mailed to those members who have opted not to receive the Association’s magazines.

The Chairman then declared that there were present in person or by proxy a quorum, and that this was a properly convened meeting of the members of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. He directed that a copy of the notices of the annual meeting, the register of attendees, the certificate of the computerized list of members entitled to vote, and the proxy tabulation be filed with the minutes of the meeting. He stated that the complete computerized membership list and proxy tabulation, in searchable form, is available at the meeting and would be kept open during the meeting for inspection by any member.

AOPA 2019 Annual Meeting of Members Minutes
Copies of draft minutes have been provided to all attendees.

Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the members present in person and by proxy resolved as shown in item 1 in the Resolutions Attachment affixed to these minutes.
Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the members present in person and by proxy resolved as shown in item 2 in the Resolutions Attachment affixed to these minutes.

Appointment of Judge of Elections and Report of Nominating Committee  
The Chairman announced that the first item of business scheduled to come before the meeting was the election of Trustees to serve until the next annual meeting of members and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. The Chairman appointed Justine Harrison, a member and not a candidate for the Board of Trustees of the Association, as the Judge of Election. The Chairman announced that pursuant to the authority contained in the By-laws, a Nominating Committee had been appointed and had submitted its nominations to the Secretary.

The Secretary then read the report of the Nominating Committee, a copy of which is appended to these minutes, and explained that the position of Trustee Emeritus is an honorary position bestowed in recognition of the extraordinary contributions made to the Association by a Trustee.

Before proceeding to the elections, Chairman Trimble, speaking on behalf of the Board, said that it is a great privilege to place before the members Mr. Hamlet’s nomination as a Trustee Emeritus. It has been an absolute honor and inspiration to serve and work with Mr. Hamlet, whose integrity, passion for aviation, stewardship, and dedication to service as a Trustee directly contributed to the growth of AOPA into the world’s largest general aviation association. The Chairman noted that during 22 years of service as a Trustee, Mr. Hamlet graciously accepted numerous positions of responsibility, and has been a member since 1987.

The Chairman then declared the polls open for the election of Trustees, asked Ms. Harrison to distribute ballots to any member desiring to vote in person and, when the voting had been completed, to collect and tabulate the ballots.

While the vote for the election of trustees was tabulated, the Chairman invited Mark Baker, President and CEO of the Association, to deliver his report on the affairs of the Association. In addition to reporting on the financial health of the Association, Mr. Baker reported on the Association’s advocacy efforts and the state of health of the general aviation industry during the current pandemic.

The Judge of Elections then presented her report on the results of the balloting, announcing the following Trustee nominees elected by vote of the members:

- Mr. William S. Ayer
- Mr. Mark R. Baker
- Mr. Lawrence D. Buhl III
- Mr. Darrell W. Crate
- Mr. Matthew J. Desch
- Ms. Amanda C. Farnsworth
- Mr. James N. Hauslein
- Mr. H. Neel Hipp
- Mr. William C. Trimble III
- Mr. James G. Tuthill, Jr
- Mr. Luke R. Wippler
Mr. Burgess H. Hamlet III was elected as Trustee Emeritus.

The Chairman declared the nominees for the Board of Trustees duly elected for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected, and that the nominee for Trustee Emeritus had been elected. He directed that a Certificate of the Judge of Elections be prepared and filed with the minutes of this meeting.

**Approval of All Actions by the Board of Trustees and Officers Taken Since Last Meeting**

The next item of business was a proposal to approve and ratify all actions of the Board of Trustees and officers taken since the last annual meeting.

*Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the members resolved as shown in item 3 in the Resolutions Attachment affixed to these minutes.*

Departing from regular business, Chairman Trimble and President Baker recognized Mr. Ronald Golden, the Association’s Deputy General Counsel, to thank him for 40 years of distinguished and dedicated service to AOPA, its members, and to General Aviation. Since 1980, Ron has worked tirelessly to provide exceptional legal service to AOPA members, its Board of Trustees, management, and staff. He has supported countless AOPA initiatives, and counseled and defended thousands of airmen over his many years of service, showing AOPA’s mission in action.

Next, President Baker expressed his deep appreciation for Mr. Golden’s exemplary service and professionalism, noting his efforts have helped AOPA’s success and kept many pilots and aircraft in the air. President Baker thanked Mr. Golden for his accomplishments, dedication, and commitment to excellence. Chairman Trimble and President Baker presented Mr. Golden with a badge in recognition of these achievements and congratulated Mr. Golden on his 40th anniversary in service of AOPA members.

With no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Trimble.

Justine Harrison, Secretary
Resolutions Attachment

1. AOPA 2019 Annual Meeting of Members Minutes

RESOLVED, that the reading of the minutes of the September 11, 2019 Annual Meeting of Members is waived.

2. AOPA 2019 Annual Meeting of Members Minutes

RESOLVED, the minutes of the September 11, 2019 Annual Meeting of Members are approved as drafted.

3. Approval of All Actions by the Board of Trustees and Officers Taken Since Last Meeting

RESOLVED, that all purchases, contracts, acts, proceedings, elections and appointments of the Board of Trustees and any committee thereof and the officers since the last annual meeting of members are ratified, approved and confirmed by the members of this Association.