

**MINUTES OF  
THE EDWARDS COMMUNITY ALLIANCE  
MEETING  
NOVEMBER 19, 2007**

President Deaver opened the meeting at 8:00 AM. Directors in attendance: Deaver, Scott, Welling. Others present: Johnstone, Jung, Moen, Uhazy.

Lacking a quorum, this meeting was for information exchange only and did not involve any policy decisions.

**ECA Project Status**

**Land Use Compatibility**

James Welling briefed that Edwards is working with a solar energy manufacturer for potential installation on the base.

The AFFTC Commander BGEN Eichorn is interested in doing a Strategic or Master Plan for operations in the R-2508 airspace. He is forming a study group to work this item. It is not known at this time how this plan will interface with the Joint Land Use Study currently being finalized by the State.

**Education**

Pathways – Johnstone said Pathways have been drafted for high school, and community college students. However, it does not appear that there are courses of study in middle and elementary schools that lend themselves to developing pathways. This effort will probably have to start from scratch.

Engineering Orientation - A National Science Foundation Grant has been received by Antelope Valley College for math and science teacher training and engineering student orientation of local engineering opportunities. The second “Pathways to Success” orientation is scheduled for tomorrow evening at the college. This orientation is for AVC students interested in engineering or math and science teaching. Representatives from industry will be in attendance to meet one on one with the students and discuss careers and / or answer individual questions.

Superintendents Briefings – Randy Scott briefed that he and Johnstone briefed the East Kern school Superintendents on Career Technical Education programs currently in place in the Antelope Valley School District. Kern was invited to participate in any or all of these programs. Initially, a training day for selected teachers to learn about the “World in Motion” program offered free from the Automotive Society of America is being planned before year end.

It was also mentioned that Intel Corporation also has free teaching resources available. Details of this program can be found on their web site at <http://www.intel.com/education/resources/index>

### **Financial Report –**

James Welling presented a financial report (see attached) showing a balance of \$29,745.84.

### **Open Discussion-**

Young Eagles – Johnstone said he obtained information on the Young Eagles problem with the latest FAA ruling on fuel reimbursement for orientation flights. Basically the problem stems from an FAA ruling that these flights come under the Air Tour rules. These rules prohibit flights from landing at different airfields and limit flights to a 25 mile range from the takeoff airport. In addition, participating pilots must have at least 500 hours of flight time. The Experimental Aircraft Association, parent of the Young Eagles Program, has staff working on this issue and it does not appear there is anything the ECA can do at this time to support their efforts.

### **Next Meeting**

Due to the holidays there will be no meeting in December. The next meeting will be in Boron at the museum on January 2, 2008.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Deaver adjourned the meeting at 9:05 AM

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Respectively Submitted

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