

Southwest Virginia Hang Gliding Association Minutes
May 14, 1988

The meeting was held at the home of W.W. Richards and included a "hang gliding retirement" party for W.W. The meeting was called to order by the President, David Aker. The minutes and treasurer's report were read by the Secretary/Treasurer, Richard Cobb. There was no old business.

The first order of new business was changing the bylaws. The changes that were discussed and approved were:

- * Changing the name from Roanoke Valley Hang Gliding Association to Southwest Virginia Hang Gliding Association
- * Renaming the membership classifications from "flying member" and "non-flying member" to "Pilot" and "Associate Member". A "Pilot" shall be a SWVHGA member who is also a current (dues paid) USHGA member
- * Modifying the new member requirements. It is no longer necessary for new members to be voted in. To become a member the new requirements are: 1. Fill out membership application (this includes signing a statement that the prospective member will abide by SWVHGA and USHGA regulations and fly safely and act responsibly with regard to landowner/public relations) 2. Be sponsored by a current SWVHGA member. The sponsoring member should be confident that the prospective member will act in the best interests of hang gliding and the SWVHGA. The sponsoring member must sign the application form. 3. To become a "Pilot" ranked member, the prospective member must also be a current USHGA member.

Dues were temporarily set at \$5.00 per year, subject to change by vote at future business meetings.

Elections were held with the following results: President - Fred Stoll; Vice-President - Bob Simonds; Secretary/Treasurer - John Lane.

Other new business: A motion was made and passed to buy wind socks for the Bonsack, Roanoke Mountain, and Tobacco Row (SE Launch) sites. An informal Cross Country contest was decided on. The contest is open until the next business meeting, which was set for November 5, 1988. The contest results will be decided as follows: each pilot submits their best XC flight, which will be rated on point-to-point distance, with first, second, and third place awards.

John Lane announced an informal meeting of the SWVHGA to be held at his lake place about mid-July.

W.W. was honored for his years and contributions in the sport, and presented with a cake and a 'Windseeker'. This concluded the spring meeting of the SWVHGA.

Richard Cobb / Secretary