## AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION



## Annual Meeting of Members September 6, 2018

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association was held, pursuant to due notice, on Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 9:00 AM Eastern at the headquarters of the Association, at 411 Aviation Way, Frederick, Maryland 21701.

The members noted on the attached Attendance List were present in person. In addition, there were 89,290 members represented by proxies. Chairman of the Board William C. Trimble III, presided and Kenneth M. Mead served as Secretary.

Departing from regular order, Chairman Trimble, CEO Mark Baker, and former AOPA Board Chairman Paul Heintz said they wanted to make note for all AOPA members of the Lifetime Achievement Award presented to John Yodice the day prior to the Annual Meeting of his outstanding contributions and service to AOPA, its members, and all of General Aviation for more than 60 years. Among his many contributions, Mr. Yodice was a longstanding member of AOPA's Board of Trustees and held positions as AOPA's Board Secretary and outside General Counsel. His AOPA Pilot Counsel column ran for decades. He established a network of aviation law attorneys that grew into AOPA's Legal Services Plan and personally provided legal counsel to countless AOPA members. Chairman Trimble saluted Mr. Yodice for giving a voice to General Aviation and for his lasting contributions to aviation law and aviation safety.

Returning the meeting to regular order, Chairman Trimble asked for the Secretary's report. Mr. Mead reported that he had examined the register of attendees and the proxies submitted and reported that there were present in person, or represented by valid and legal proxies, not less than 89,290 members. He presented a certified computerized list of members entitled to vote, including a tabulation of proxies submitted. He also presented a copy of the notice of the meeting as published in the July and August, and September 2018 issues of the AOPA Pilot magazine and the July, August, and September 2018 Flight Training magazines, which are official publications of the Association. He reported that a notice of the meeting was also published on the Association website, 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 sufficient number of members to constitute 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.

On motion duly made and seconded, a reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, being the minutes of September 7, 2017, was waived, and the minutes as drafted were approved.

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 Kenneth Mead, 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 that this Committee 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. It was the recommendation of the Nominating Committee that the following persons be elected as Trustees of the Association:

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

The Chairman then declared the polls open for the election of Trustees. He asked Mr. Mead 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 being 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, including FAA Reauthorization, Securing and Revitalizing Aviation Act (SARA), the Airport Access and Egregious FBO Fee Initiative, Non-TSO'd avionics, BasicMed, Increased International Harmonization on Key Issues, and reducing the costs of ADS-B compliance. Mr. Baker also reported on the Association's top program priorities, including the You Can Fly Program, ASI's focused flight review, AOPA's regional Fly-Ins, the fundraising challenge for AOPA Foundation, the STEM aviation high school training initiative, and AOPA's upcoming 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Judge of Elections then presented his report on the results of the balloting. Each nominee received the unanimous vote of the members present in person and by proxy. The Chairman declared that the twelve nominees for the Board of Trustees had been duly elected for the ensuing year and until their successors shall have been elected. He directed that a Certificate of the Judge of Elections be prepared and filed with the minutes of this meeting.

The next item of business was a proposal to approve all actions of the Board of Trustees and officers taken since the last annual meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

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

Chairman Trimble asked if there was further business. There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting upon motion duly made and seconded, was adjourned.

Kenneth M. Mead, Secretary