



ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Conference Call
11 am, Wednesday, April 10, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Scott Malta, President
Rayvon Williams, Vice President
Brendan O'Reilly, Past President
Mary Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer
Andy Swanson, Board Director
Chuck McCormick, Board Director
Gary Engel, Board Director
Cory Hazlewood, Board Director
Gary Gosliga, Board Director
Carol Ford, Board Director
Sandy Gutierrez-Carver, Board Director
John Pfeifer, Board Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sherry Miller, Board Director

GUESTS PRESENT:

None

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 am by President Scott Malta. The meeting was held by conference call.

Confirmation of Quorum

A quorum was confirmed.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by John Pfeifer to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Chuck McCormick and unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

There were two items in the minutes that were pointed out for correction. Under legislative update, page 2, the word unable was changed to unavailable. Under Conference Committee Report, the word "distractive," although that is what was reported at the meeting, it was meant to be "disruptive." The Board asked for the minutes to reflect the change.

A motion was made by Carol Ford to approve the minutes of March 13, 2019, as corrected. The motion was seconded by Andy Swanson and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

The current ACA balance is reported at \$18,962.77. Aerospace & Aviation Days current balance is \$10,761.49. The combined ACA treasury is \$29,724.26. There was \$1,700 pending revenue for Aviation Day. A final report for the event will be completed for next meeting.

Reports/Action Items

Conference Committee Report

Cory Hazlewood reported that the next conference committee meeting is scheduled for April 23. Cory has asked Mary Hansen to start the registration earlier this year rather than wait for June 1. He will be getting the sponsorship information to Mary for posting and start getting the sponsorship letters out earlier also.

The committee has had some discussion about participation in the Michael Shutt Award and discussed how to handle a situation if one of the Selection Committee members were selected for consideration. The Committee determined that the member would need to remove themselves from voting, including if a Selection Committee member also submits a candidate to the selection committee and is further consideration for selection.

Legislative Update

John Pfeifer provided a Legislative Report that is included at the end of these minutes.

Aerospace & Aviation Days 2019

Scott Malta went over how the activity proceeded and issues that occurred in the process as it relates to the goals of the event. Generally, the event went well.

The resolutions were issued. However, the Senate resolution was done a few days before we got there and presented to Aerospace representatives. The Assembly resolution was done on Monday and several ACA members were there to receive it on the floor. On Tuesday, several members testified on AB 245. In the afternoon, the legislative teams hit every office and provided them with maps showing the airports in their districts, along with related information.

The Legislative reception went very well. The Aerospace group organized the event and had to scramble at the last minute for a location. The new Governor has a new policy that would not allow groups to use the Governor's Council Room as we have in the past. The reception was held at The Diplomat, that was previously Chops, just across from the capitol. Several legislators and staff stopped by.

On Wednesday, the outdoor display had a bit of a slow start as the tent took longer than usual and the tables and chairs got delayed with traffic. Everyone pitched in and got the display area done quickly once everything was on site.

We learned that the exhibits that have been brought to the display area by the Aerospace Museum were actually owned by the Air Force and brought each year without the required approvals. They were able to bring one engine that belonged to the museum.

There was a brief discussion on dates for next year as there were some comments about how busy the capitol grounds and inside the capitol were with many other groups. John discussed the timetable on legislative bills that makes it hard to determine the best dates as they start having hearings in April. A date will need to be determined soon to get on the state calendar, so this will be discussed further.

Unfinished Business

a. Discuss Officer Positions as it Relates to Board of Directors, Including Increasing the Number of Corporate Directors

Scott and John will continue to work on the language related to the bylaws and how officers/board members are elected. It had been recommended previously about adding another Corporate Director, which also requires a bylaws amendment, so that has been added to their project. Board members reminded everyone about the previous discussion on new committees and to look at adding standing or special committees to address the topics like “emerging technologies” related to UAS and autonomous vehicles.

b. Best Practices Update (C. Hazlewood)

Cory Hazlewood did not have any new updates. He needs to meet with Mark McClardy to discuss how ACA can lead this project and have a new update completed by 2020.

Announcements/Suggestions

Rayvon advised that the Division of Aeronautics has an interactive map on their website

There was no further business or announcements. The next meeting will be at 11 am, May 8, 2019, Terminal A, Media Room, Sacramento International Airport. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:47 am.

Submitted by

Mary A. Hansen
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Legislative Update

California Legislation:

- **AB 245 (Muratsuchi): California Aerospace and Aviation Commission:** This bill is a reintroduction of AB 427 reported from last year. The bill would create a California Aerospace and Aviation Commission to foster the development of activities in the state related to aerospace and aviation, commercial and governmental space travel, unmanned aerial vehicles, aerospace education and job training, infrastructure and research launches, manufacturing, academic research, applied research, economic diversification, business development, tourism, and education. AB 245 was introduced on January 22. It is supported by SWAAAE, ACA, AOPA, CalPilots, and several aerospace companies. It was heard in the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy on April 2, where it passed on a vote of 6-0 with one abstention. Prior to and after the committee hearing, there were significant discussions between representatives of the Association of California Airports and the Aerospace States Association regarding certain problematic provisions of the bill, including funding mechanisms. The associations have agreed to further discussions and possible meetings with the bill's author and staff. The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations. No hearing date has been set.
- **AB 1190 (Irwin): Unmanned aircraft: state and local regulation: limitations.** The bill would prohibit a state or local agency from adopting any law or regulation that bans the operation of an unmanned aircraft system, as well as other provisions as specified. It has been referred to the Assembly Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection. Hearing date not set.
- **SB 648 (Chang): Unmanned aircraft systems: accident notification:** The bill would require the operator of an unmanned aircraft system involved in an accident resulting in injury to an individual or damage to property to immediately land the aircraft, as specified, and provide certain information to the injured individual or the owner or person in charge of the damaged property. It has been referred to the Senate Committee on Transportation. Hearing date not set.

California Aerospace and Aviation Days at the Capitol

- The seventh annual California Aerospace and Aviation Days at the Capitol event was held April 1-3. The event included resolutions in the Senate and Assembly declaring the importance of the industries to the economy, seminars, visits to all 120 legislators' offices, speeches by the leadership of the Aviation Caucus, and exhibits and displays on the Capitol grounds.

FAA Fuel Tax Revenue Policy

- There has been no apparent status change since the April 18, 2017. The Department of Finance continues its position that the state is in compliance and the FAA continues to wait for the Department to provide additional information. The compliance deadline of December 17, 2017, has come and gone with no apparent movement by the state or the FAA. The status of the state compliance plan is listed on the FAA website as "Qualified," which is defined by the FAA as "The FAA requires further clarification or adjustment to satisfy the policy requirements." *No change.*

State Airports Funding:

- The CalTrans Division of Aeronautics reports that the 2018-19 FY airports funding is anticipated to be similar to recent years, at about \$6 million. They expect full funding of the general aviation airport annual credits, partial funding of AIP matching grant requests, and no funds for the Acquisition and Development Program. The Division recently announced that it is limiting AIP matching grants this fiscal year to \$50K per grant. *No change.*
- The current loan program fund balance is approximately \$29 million. They have requested a transfer from the loan fund to the Acquisition and Development fund, but that request was denied by the Department of Finance. *No change.*

John L. Pfeifer
4/10/19