

### ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

11:00 am, Wednesday, May 17, 2017

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mary Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer Carol Ford, Board Director Scott Malta, Board Member Martin Pehl, Board Director Kevin Wojtkiewicz, Board Director Steve Birdsall, Board Director Sherry Miller, Past President Gary Gosliga, Board Director

#### **GUESTS**:

John Pfeifer, Legislative Chair

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Brendan O'Reilly, President Sandy Gutierrez-Carver, Vice President Rayvon Williams, Board Director Chuck McCormick, Board Director Cory Hazlewood, Board Director

#### Welcome

The meeting was called to order at approximately 11:08 am by Past President Sherry Miller. President Brandan O'Reilly was unable to attend the meeting. Introductions were made. Several members were unable to travel to Sacramento and called in.

#### Confirmation of Quorum

A quorum was confirmed.

#### Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Carol Ford and seconded by Scott Malta. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

#### Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Kevin Wojtkiewicz had a few corrections to the minutes: The Treasurer's Report had an extra "1" in the amount reported; Gary Gosliga was in attendance; and two spelling corrections under reports, adding a "d" to please and correcting the word "monkey."

A motion to approve the minutes of April 19, 2017, as amended, was made by Gary Gosliga and seconded by Kevin Wojtkiewicz. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

#### Treasurer's Report

The ACA regular account has a balance of \$19,452.01; Aviation Day account has a balance of \$11,423.47. The total account balance is \$30,875.48.

#### Reports

#### 2017 Conference Update

Cory was unable to make the meeting, but provided a brief update by email. Gary Gosliga, who serves on the conference committee, also provided some additional information on what the committee is working on. The committee continues to work on speakers. Sherry Miller has offered to check in with Derek Kantar at the state for an update on the OES session that was provided the previous year. Gary Gosliga has been talking with Signature Flights about a Q & A session. The Board was asked to direct any speaker suggestions to Cory.

It was suggested to have marketing material developed for both the FAA conference coming up in June and the SWAAAE conference in July. Mary will work with Cory and Chuck about putting something together.

Carol has looked into a Friday afternoon cruise for the end of the conference. She will get additional information. Mary will forward the information out to the membership to get a feel for interest in participating.

#### Legislative Update

The legislative report follows these minutes. John had suggested that ACA consider sending out legislative updates to members. SWAAAE is beginning to do the same to get the membership more involved.

#### California Aerospace & Aviation Days

A meeting with the committee will be scheduled after the next Board meeting. Mary and John will work with Chuck on a date for 2018. It was unclear if the Aerospace State Association have started to consider the next event. It was agreed that ACA needs to take the lead on getting the event organized. More information will be provided at the next meeting on any progress.

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Unfinished Business
None.
New Business
None.
Announcements/Suggestions for Next Meeting  There was no further business to discuss. The next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2017. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 am.
Submitted by Mary A. Hansen Secretary
Approved: Date:

## Legislative Update ACA Board of Directors - May 17, 2017

- AB 483 (Bocanegra): Airports: pollution: This bill would require the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and the State Air Resources Board (ARB) to conduct specified tests of soil and air quality at airports, as defined in the bill, and would require DTSC and ARB to submit a report to the Legislature no later than July 1, 2019. The bill defines airport as "a general aviation noncommercial airport built prior to 1960 that is located in an urban area and is in or adjacent to a zone determined to be above the 81st percentile in the most recent version of the California Communities Health Screening Tool, completed pursuant to Section 39711." It would also require the subject airports to acquire air quality monitoring equipment as determined by ARB. As currently written, it appears that the bill attempts to address issues at one particular airport (Whiteman), but will have significant unintended consequences. There appear to be at least 20, and perhaps as many as 40, general aviation airports that would be subject to the requirements of the bill. Most of these airports are in the central valley or Los Angeles basin. The bill would impose an unfunded state mandate. The bill was amended on March 28 and heard in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on April 3, where it passed 7-1. SWAAAE, ACA, AOPA, CalPilots, NBAA, and the San Carlos Pilots Association all were sending letters of opposition but, due to the short time between the amendments and hearing, the opposition was not reflected in the bill committee analysis. The bill goes next to the Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Substances, where it will be heard on April 25. After the opposition letters were received, several conference calls between the author's staff, Brendan O'Reilly, Chuck Cole, and John Pfeifer were held and the author agreed to pull the bill from the April 25 hearing in order for Los Angeles County to have time to begin a local solution. The bill becomes a two year bill.
- AB 427 (Muratsuchi): California Aerospace Commission: This bill would create the California Aerospace Commission (Commission). The role of the Commission would be to foster the development of activities in the state related to aerospace, including 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. The bill passed the Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media on April 5 (6-0). It is now in the Assembly Transportation Committee. A hearing on the bill scheduled for April 24 was canceled at the request of the author and the bill becomes a two year bill.

#### FAA Fuel Tax Revenue Policy

- There has been no apparent status change since the July 15, 2016, Legislative Committee report to the SWAAAE Board. It is anticipated that this issue will become "hot" in the early Summer, as the deadline for compliance is December 2017.
- It was reported that California Airports Council staff is working on scheduling a stakeholders meeting, including FAA and CA Department of Finance representatives, during the week of California Aviation Day, however no meetings occurred.
- No change as of May 15, 2017.

#### State Airports Funding

- The CalTrans Division of Aeronautics reports that 2017 airports funding is anticipated to be similar to recent years. They expect full funding of the general aviation airport annual credits, partial funding of AIP matching grant requests, and no funds for Acquisition and Development grants.
- The current loan program fund balance is reported to be approximately \$30 million. However, those funds can be transferred to the grant program only with Department of Finance approval, which has not been granted.
- No change as of May 15, 2017

#### **ATC Privatization**

• The White House budget outline released on March 16 included the provision to shift the air traffic control function from the FAA to an independent, non-governmental organization. Here we go again.

#### FAA Funding

• The potential April 28 government shutdown was averted by a last minute continuing resolution. FAA is now funded through September 30