



ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SACRAMENTO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – ADMIN BLDG.
10 am, Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Board Members Present:

James Jenkins, President (by phone)
Mary Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer
Mark Bautista, Board Director (by phone)
Greg Marshall, Board Director
Robin Gardner, Board Director (Corporate)
Cory Hazlewood, Board Director (Corporate)
Steve Birdsall, Vice President (by phone)

Board Members Absent:

Rod Probst, Board Director
Mario Cifuentez, Board Director
John Pfeifer, Board Director
Tom Weil, Past President
Ken Robbins, Board Director

Members/Guests Present:

None

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am by President James Jenkins, participating by phone. Introductions were held of those present. Mark Bautista and Steve Birdsall also joined the meeting by telephone.

Confirmation of Quorum

A quorum was confirmed.

Approval of Agenda

The approval of the agenda was called.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Greg Marshall and seconded by Robin Gardner. The motion was approved by unanimous consent.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 2, 2011, meeting were approved.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Greg Marshall and seconded by Robin Gardner. The motion was approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report

The Secretary/Treasurer reported a bank balance of \$10,866.99. The report was accepted by the Board as presented.

The Secretary/Treasurer then presented the draft budget FY 2011-2012. The draft was based on the previous year's budget. Cory Hazelwood suggested adding an line item for keynote speaker expenses. He has secured Bill Horn, Chairman, San Diego County Board of Supervisors, and part of that commitment is to pay for travel. It was agreed to add \$500 to the budget.

A motion to approve the FY 2011-2012 budget was made by Greg Marshall and seconded by Robin Gardner. The motion was approved by unanimous consent.

Reports/Action Items

Legislative Committee Report

John Pfeifer was not able to attend the meeting, but provided the following report:

AB 81: (Beall): Sales and use taxes: exemptions: fuel and petroleum products: air common carriers

This bill would exempt from state sales and use taxes on sale of fuel and petroleum products to air common carriers gross receipts in excess of \$2.22 per gallon. The bill is assigned to the Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation. The bill was amended on 3/23 and re-referred to the Committee. The bill was placed on the Committee suspense file on 4/4/11. On 4/25 the bill was amended and re-referred to the Committee, where it passed 7-1 on 5/16. It was re-referred to the Assembly Committee on Appropriations, where it is expected to be placed on suspense.

AB 731: (Jeffries): Firefighting

This bill appropriates \$1.03 million annually for the purchase of specified firefighting equipment. The bill specifies tax and fee sources of revenue currently received by the state to be assigned to firefighting equipment fund. \$15,000 annually would be appropriated from the Aeronautics Account, thereby reducing revenue available to fund state airport grant programs. The bill is assigned to the Assembly Committees on Governmental Organization and Natural Resources. Hearing is set for 3/30/11 in Governmental Organization. The hearing was postponed by the committee. The bill failed to pass out of committee by the May 6 deadline and becomes a two year bill.

SB 194: (Committee on Governance and Finance): Local Government: omnibus bill

One section of this bill would clarify the intent of SB 1333 (2010). It would require the owner or operator of an airport to pay the recording fees for filing a notice of termination of an aviation easement. The bill is in the Senate Committee on Governance and Finance. The bill passed in committee 9-0 on 4/27 and was ordered to the Senate Consent Calendar. It passed the Senate 40-0 on 5/5 and is now in the Assembly Committee on Local Government.

SB 295: (Price): Public postsecondary education: community colleges: site acquisitions

Existing law requires that the governing board of a community college have a proposed site evaluated prior to acquiring a site on which it proposes to construct a school building. Existing law contains prohibitions, restrictions, and procedures applicable to the proposed siting of school buildings within two miles of an airport runway. This bill would repeal the provisions relating to the relocation of a site within two miles of an airport runway. The bill is assigned to the Senate Committee on Education. Hearing was set for 3/23/11 but has been canceled at the request of the author. The bill failed to pass out of committee by the May 6 deadline and becomes a two year bill.

AB 511: (Yamada): Aeronautics: meteorological towers

This bill requires meteorological towers, used in siting wind farms, between 50 and 200 feet in height to be marked and lighted as specified in the bill. The bill pass in the Assembly Committee on Business, Professions, and Consumer Affairs on 4/26 9-0 and in the Appropriations Committee on 5/11 16-0 and ordered to the Assembly Consent Calendar.

SB 446: (Dutton): Ontario International Airport

This bill would establish the Ontario International Airport Authority and authorize the Authority to enter into an agreement with the City of Los Angeles to facilitate the transfer of management and operational control of the Ontario International Airport from the City to the Authority. The bill is in the Senate Committee on Rules. The bill passed in committee 9-0 on 5/3. It was re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations, where hearing is scheduled for 5/2.

SB 619: (Fuller): California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009: exemptions

The California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 (AB 48) replaced the Private Postsecondary Education and Reform Act of 1989. The earlier bill and implementing regulations provided an exemption for Federal Aviation Administration approved schools. AB 48 removed that exemption, thereby bringing all flight training and aircraft maintenance training under regulation by the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). It is widely believed in the flight training industry that the fees imposed by AB 48 will put most independent flight instructors and medium to small flight schools out of business. As currently written, SB 619 provides an exemption from BPPE regulation for all flight instructors and flight schools that do not accept payment in advance. It is anticipated that the bill will be amended to allow certain advance payments and clearly define which flight schools may fall under BPPE regulation. The bill is assigned to the Senate Committee on Business, Professions, and Economic Development. Hearing is set for April 25. The bill passed 9-0 and re-referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill received a Senate Rule 28.8 determination on 5/9 and was sent to the Senate Floor without committee vote. It is on the Senate Special Consent calendar for 5/23 and is expected to pass to the Assembly without opposition.

Conference Committee Update

John had provided a draft conference agenda for review. Due to the potential inability for the FAA and the State to participate in the conference, it was discussed to end the conference at noon on Friday and to move the afternoon session to Wednesday. This will be discussed further by conference call tentatively scheduled for June 8.

New Business

None.

Announcements/Suggestions

There was no further business or announcements. The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.

The next ACA Board meeting will be August 3, 2011.

Submitted by

Mary Hansen
Secretary

Approved: _____

Date: _____