



ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Sacramento International Airport
11 am, Wednesday, October 17, 2018

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Scott Malta, President
Rayvon Williams, Vice President
Sherry Miller, Board Director
Mary Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer
Andy Swanson, Board Director
Gary Gosliga, Board Director
Sandy Gutierrez-Carver, Board Director
John Pfeifer, Board Director
Gary Engel, Board Director
Carol Ford, Board Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Cory Hazlewood, Board Director
Chuck McCormick, Board Director
Brendan O'Reilly, Past President

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mark Bautista, ACA Member
Shane Davis, student

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by President Scott Malta.

Confirmation of Quorum

A quorum was confirmed.

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes

Approval of July 18, 2018, minutes. John Pfeifer indicated that the minutes had noted Cory Hazlewood under both in attendance and absent. Cory's name will be removed from the attendance section of the minutes.

A motion was made by John Pfeifer to approve the minutes of July 18, 2018, as corrected. The motion was seconded by Gary Gosliga and unanimously approved.

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Approval of September 13, 2018, board and general membership meeting minutes.

*A motion was made by John Pfeifer to approve the minutes of September 13, 2018.
The motion was seconded by Gary Engel and unanimously approved.*

Approval of September 14, 2018, Special Board Meeting minutes.

*A motion was made by Gary Gosliga to approve the minutes of September 14, 2018.
The motion was seconded by John Pfeifer and unanimously approved.*

Treasurer's Report

The current balance is reported at \$21,426.81. Aerospace & Aviation Days current balance is \$10,720.39. The combined ACA treasury is \$32,147.20.

Mary Hansen indicated that the conference venue costs have increased since the first year at the Beach Retreat. It was recommended that the conference fee be increased to \$125 for 2019. That would provide the additional revenue to cover the increased costs. A motion was suggested to set the rate.

*A motion was made by John Pfeifer to approve increasing the conference fee to \$125.
The motion was seconded by Sherry Miller and unanimously approved.*

It was further discussed to cover the costs of the room during the conference for the Secretary/Treasurer since it is out of pocket.

A motion was made by Sherry Miller to approve covering the hotel costs as long as the Secretary Treasurer position is filled by someone that is not connected to an airport or business for reimbursement. The motion was seconded by Rayvon Williams and unanimously approved.

Andy Swanson suggested that we also consider travel costs for other Board members in a similar position. Scotty will discuss costs further with the Secretary/Treasurer and bring back information to the Board.

Reports/Action Items

Conference Committee Report

The Board discussed how the conference went. Everyone was impressed with how intensive the hotel staff were this year and saw a significant difference from the previous year. All sessions went very well. The app was a great addition. Rayvon recognized the work that Mary Hansen does for the conference and the time it takes to put the event in place.

Gary Gosliga was concerned that he did not get a lot of submittals for the Michael Shutt award. He plans to work on getting more involvement. However, the presentation to Herman Bliss was ideal and Sherry Miller was thanked for her recommendation.

Carol Ford wants to proceed with adding the boat ride for 2019 for Friday afternoon after the conference ends. The Board liked the idea and Carol will work on organizing the activity.

The Board discussed recognizing the hotel staff at the next conference and possibly doing a resolution to present to them.

Legislative Update

John Pfeifer provided updates on previously reported legislation. A full report follows at the end of these minutes and made a part. The FAA now has a five-year bill at the level of \$3.5 billion per year. Scotty also reported that the FAA reauthorization includes a rules change related to model airplanes, now lumping them together with Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs). A test is now required and hard limits on flying height similar to drones or 400 feet.

Gary Gosliga provided information on the FAA 2018-2020 Supplemental Appropriation of \$1 billion in discretionary grants. A second round of applications are due by October 31, 2018. Projects approved are not necessary AIP eligible and provides some flexibility, in addition to no match requirements. The program is geared toward rural airports. It is anticipated that another round will be held next year. Mary Hansen was asked to send out the information to members.

Aerospace & Aviation Days 2018/2019

Scott reminded the Board that the next event will be April 1-3, 2019. A conference call would follow this meeting.

New Business

Approve Dates for 2019 Conference

The proposed dates are September 11-13, 2019, and are in conjunction with the dates for the Reno Air Races.

A motion was made by Gary Engel to approve the conference dates of September 11-13, 2019. The motion was seconded by Andy Swanson and unanimously approved.

Discuss Board Meeting & CAD Calendars

Some Board members have had conflicting meetings to participate in the Board meetings. It was suggested that possibly the second Wednesday of the month might be better than the current third Wednesday. Sherry Miller has had a problem all year, so she will be contacted to discuss the dates.

Contract Tower Association

Scotty Malta provided with information on the Contract Tower Association as he was asked by the group to consider ACA participating. The membership would be for contribution purposes. The rate of \$2,000 a year could be discussed with the Association to reduce the cost to maybe \$500.

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Carol Ford was not in agreement and provided some examples of issues she is aware of related to the Control Tower Association. Scotty asked to carry this item forward for further discussion and asked Carol to provide him with more information.

Announcements/Suggestions

Scotty brought up the previous conversations related to the officer positions and the two-year terms. In other organizations, the officers are removed from the board director status so that the possibility of them being voted off the board would not occur. As with the recent board elections, Scotty was up for re-election, yet still has another year in his term of President. This item will be further discussed at the next meeting as it was not on the approved agenda for this meeting.

There was no further business or announcements. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:06 pm.

Submitted by

Mary A. Hansen
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Legislative Update - October 17, 2018

California Legislation:

The Legislature adjourned the 2017-2018 session on August 31.

- **AB 427 (Muratsuchi): California Aerospace Commission:** The bill would create a California Aerospace Commission 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. This bill was remarkable in that it had complete bipartisan support. It passed through all committees and both houses without a no vote. The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on August 24 and the bill was enrolled and presented to the Governor on September 4. **The bill was vetoed by the Governor on September 23.** The veto statement reads, in part, *“While the value of the aviation and aerospace industry is critical to the economy of this state, this bill would create a new bureaucracy that replicates many of the things the state is already doing. I think the goals of this bill can be easily handled under current law by the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development.”* On October 2, I met with staff of Assembly Member Jim Patterson, new Chair of the California Legislative Aviation Caucus. We developed a strategy to move the intent of the bill forward working directly with the GoBiz staff. The strategy we developed will need to be vetted through the caucus and the intent is a letter from the caucus to GoBiz, before the end of the year, requesting a meeting with stakeholders.
- **B 21 (Hill): Law enforcement agencies: surveillance: polices:** The bill requires local law enforcement agencies to have a policy, approved by the local governing body, in place before using surveillance technology, as defined in the bill. The definition includes “drones.” Passed in the Senate on May 31, passed in the Assembly Committee Public Safety on June 27, and currently is in the Assembly Committee on Appropriations. Bill may be taken up again after January 3, 2018. **The bill died in committee.**
- **AB 3119 (Gonzalez Fletcher): San Diego Unified Port District Consolidation:** The bill would consolidate the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority into the San Diego Unified Port District and specify that the port district is successor to all the functions and authority of the airport authority. Introduced February 16 and currently in the Assembly Committee on Local Government. The bill was significantly amended on April 18 and now creates a committee to study traffic in the vicinity of the airport. **The bill died in committee.**

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.*

FAA Reauthorization:

- On October 5, the President signed the first long term FAA reauthorization since 2012. The bill provides for the extension of AIP at the \$3.35 billion per level for five years.

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.
- 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.

John L. Pfeifer
10/11/2018