



ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS

Board Meeting Minutes
Sacramento Executive Airport
Thursday, December 2, 2004

Board Members Present:

Mary Hansen, Secretary
John Pfeifer, AOPA CA Regional Rep
(Corporate/Non-Profit)
Steve Bultman, PE (Corporate)

Board Members Absent:

Mark Bautista, President
Gary Antone (Northern CA Airport Mgrs.)
Ken Robbins (Bay Area Airport Mgrs.)
Paul Faurot (Corporate)
John Swizer, Treasurer
Mario Cifuentez, II, Past President
Tom Weil, Vice President (Eastern Sierra/High
Dessert Airport Mgrs)
Floyd Best (San Diego Area Airport Mgrs)
Rod Probst, CAE (Los Angeles Area Apt Mgrs)
John Sabatello (Inland Empire Airport Mgrs)

Welcome

The meeting was called to order by John Pfeifer, in the absence of President Mark Bautista, who was down with the flu, at approximately 10:00 am.

Because of the lack of a quorum, those present proceeded with the meeting agenda and made recommendations and suggestions, where appropriate. Actions necessary were prepared in email format for approval by Board members through a special email meeting.

Old Business

Debriefing of 2004 Fall Conference

Generally, the conference went very well; a suggestion was made to move the food and the breaks into the additional room to eliminate the entry clog that occurred at the conference. The food was put in the entry, and everyone congregated in the same location. For 2005, concurrent sessions were suggested to take up some of the dead time that was experienced in 2004 while airports were meeting with their FAA engineers.

It was discussed about the need to consider a new location if the conference continues to grow. John Pfeifer indicated that he had heard that a new convention center is planned for South Lake Tahoe. He thought it was to open in 2006 and that may be just the right time for a move to be made. Inn By the Lake has been secured for 2005.

New Business

Making sense of all the conferences

A quick review was made of all the aviation conferences and when they occur. It was recommended that ACA concentrate on its signature event at Tahoe and not have a Spring 2005 conference, but work with the FAA on theirs and see about incorporating an ACA meeting during that event.

Annual Calendar of ACA Board Meetings

The following schedule is suggested:

January 2005 – quarterly board meeting; formation of nomination committee for vote in June concerning territory rep replacements and a vote in September for those up on term

April 2005 – quarterly board meeting

June 2005 – general membership & quarterly board meeting in conjunction with FAA conference)

August 2005 – conference committee only; board invited

September – annual membership meeting & quarterly board meeting combined

Setting Annual Goals

Legislative – John updated the board on TACA recommendations and proposed ACA support their platform: (1) develop stable funding source for Division; (2) amend constitution to reserve all revenues into Division – a firewall, whereby any money taken must be done as a loan for repayment; and (3) land use issue concerning the fact that charter schools are exempt from review and should be treated same as public schools

Organizational - A southern California Board meeting requirement in the strategic plan can be accomplished through the FAA conference and setting up a meeting location and time for ACA; the boilerplate leases and permits were tabled until next meeting; Mary indicated she would contact Ken Robbins for an update at next meeting on the library documents. He had indicated a willingness to gather various documents for the ACA library on the website.

Division of Aeronautics Update

This agenda item was tabled as there was no one present for an update.

Treasurer & Secretary Reports

These items were tabled until a quorum was present at next meeting.

Committee Reports

John Pfeifer had previously provided an update on TACA. Steve indicated he would provide an update to the corporate activities at next meeting.

Legislative Reports

Nothing more to update

General Discussion

None. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:35 am and will be reopened to continue the discussion through an online meeting. Time to be determined by the President.

The meeting was called back to order by President Mark Bautista on Thursday, December 30, 2004, through the an online call to order at approximately 5:35 pm.

The immediate need for ACA is to decide whether or not to support the CTC's recommendations to the Legislature and Administration on state aviation system needs, and whether or not to have a 2005 Spring Conference--given how many conferences there now are--or focus our efforts on 2005's Fall Conference instead.

Attached is a memo to the Board, summarizing the CTC's recommendations.

John Pfeifer has made a motion,

"That ACA support the following three legislation proposals:

- 1. Provide a stable funding source of \$15 million per year from jet fuel sales tax for the Aeronautics Account, to be programmed and allocated by the Commission to publicly owned general aviation airports for airport security, safety, capacity needs and comprehensive land use plans.*
- 2. Amend the California Constitution to limit the use of all Aeronautics Account revenue derived from general aviation to funding for general aviation projects.*
- 3. Strengthen compatible land use statutes by requiring that proposals for privately funded and charter schools be subject to oversight by the appropriate Airport Land Use Commission.*

Further, that the Board recommend to the President that he direct the Communications Committee to make contact with legislators in support of the legislation."

Mary Hansen has seconded the motion

The motion was approved by a majority vote of the Board through an online email message vote.

Board members were asked to respond back via email to the President, with an aye, nay or abstention on the motion.

John Pfeifer also made a second motion:

"That, given the overwhelming number of competing conferences for CY 2005, an ACA 2005 Spring Conference not be held, with an emphasis made to have an ACA presence at the upcoming west coast FAA conference and prioritize efforts for a 2005 Fall Conference at Lake Tahoe."

Mary Hansen has seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by a majority vote of the Board through an online email message vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by

Mary A. Hansen
Secretary

Approved: _____

Date: _____

December 30, 2004

MEMORANDUM

From: Mark Bautista, President
To: ACA Board of Directors
Subject: Request for Direction on Legislative Initiatives

On December 9, 2004, the Technical Advisory Committee on Aeronautics made the following recommendations to the California Transportation Commission and the Commission unanimously adopted the recommendations.

“TACA recommends that the Commission recommend to the Legislature and the Administration that they act to address state aviation system needs through legislation that would:

- Provide a stable funding source of \$15 million per year from jet fuel sales tax for the Aeronautics Account, to be programmed and allocated by the Commission to publicly owned general aviation airports for airport security, safety, capacity needs and comprehensive land use plans.
- Amend the California Constitution to limit the use of all Aeronautics Account revenue derived from general aviation to funding for general aviation projects.
- Strengthen compatible land use statutes by requiring that proposals for privately funded and charter schools be subject to oversight by the appropriate Airport Land Use Commission.”

ACA needs to decide if it will officially support these legislative initiatives.