



# **ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS**

Board & General Membership Meeting Minutes

Sacramento Executive Airport

Friday, April 8, 2005

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## Board Members Present:

Mark Bautista, President  
Gary Antone (Northern CA Airport Mgrs.)  
Ken Robbins (Bay Area Airport Mgrs)  
Mary Hansen, Secretary  
John Pfeifer, AOPA CA Regional Rep  
(Corporate/Non-Profit)  
Steve Bultman, PE (Corporate)  
Mario Cifuentez, II, Past President  
Tom Weil, Vice President (Eastern Sierra/  
High Dessert Airport Mgrs)

## Guests

Austin Wizwell, Division  
Carol Ford

## Board Members Absent:

Paul Faurot (Corporate)  
Rod Probst, CAE (Los Angeles Area Apt Mgrs)  
John Sabatello (Inland Empire Apt Mgrs)  
Paul Faurot (Corporate)  
John Swizer, Treasurer  
Floyd Best (San Diego Area Airport Mgrs)

## Welcome

The meeting was called to order by Mark Bautista at approximately 10:20 am.

## Minutes

*A motion was made by Ken Robbins to approve the minutes from January 28, 2005. It was seconded by John Pfeifer and unanimously carried*

## Old Business

None.

## New Business

### *Fall Conference*

A discussion was held on suggestions for topics, times needed, length of conference, keynote speakers, and other general details....the following is briefly what was determined:

The conference will run from ½ day Wednesday (afternoon), September 21, through Saturday, September 24, 2005, ending with the "Conference Wrapup Breakfast Meeting" held on the U.S.S. Dixie until approximately noon. The ending session has been given a more "business-oriented" name so that airports will not have problems getting their travel approved through Saturday's final session. It was agreed that the final session was perhaps one of the most important for airports as it is held in a very relaxed atmosphere and conference speakers always participate.

Sessions to be held include the following:

- Discussion by FAA on environmental requirements, documents
- CEQA/NEPA one or two documents?
- State Aeronautics Panel to possible include the states of Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Arizona, California
- Discussion of Aeronautical Development Zones
- AIP 101
- Legislation Update
- Security

- Land Use
- Compliance
- New Technology
- FAA Forum
- SATS (Small Airport Transportation System)
- General Membership Meeting with elections
- Panel discussion on alternative funding
- Continue to develop backup ideas. . . such as special events

It was suggested to add on the registration form something that can be checked off like – “Do you need time reserved to meet with your ADO representative?”

The Board broke for lunch at approximately 12 noon

Mark called the Board back to order at approximately 1:20 pm.

### *Division Update*

Wiz reported that the Division has \$2.957 million in matching funds available, but still needs to get an authority to spend. He currently has 18 A&D projects amounting to \$3 million with 16 being asphalt at \$2.6 million. Wiz also reported:

The Mojave Desert has received an Organizational Excellence Award for its “Space Port” designation.

On the Division website you can now find the Division’s Policy Element.

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP SESSION

### *Committee Reports*

### *Legislation*

SB 335 – sales tax on general aviation jet fuel (amounts to about \$7 million historically) – bill would provide a stable revenue source for the Division for the next 5 years

AB 1358 – Charter school bill – hearing coming up on 4/15/05 (charter schools are not currently regulated)

AB 556 – Assemblyman Gordon – Noise – bill would require variance for 65 cnel or more; criminal without variance

*A motion was made by John Pfeifer and seconded by Tom Weil to have the president write a letter concerning ACA’s objection to AB 556. The motion was unanimously carried.*

AB 1101 – attacks any diesel activity and mainly directed towards LAX and Oakland; could next look at aircraft emissions

*A motion was made by John Pfeifer and seconded by Ken Robbins to have the president write a letter concerning ACA’s objection to AB 1101*

### TACA

John reported on meeting held day before . . . planning efforts have begin in Sacramento County as they develop an airport influence area . . discussion moved to the AIP funding cuts

*A motion was made by John Pfeifer and seconded by Tom Weil to have the president write a letter concerning ACA's objection to the proposed AIP funding cuts. The motion was unanimously carried.*

It was also suggested that the secretary put the information on the website including a sample letter that other airports can use to also write and express their objections. Carol Ford provided information from NASAO (National Association of State Aviation Officials) to help write the letter and to post on website.

*General Discussion*

It was announced the retirement "again" of Herman Bliss on April 29, 2005.

The next Board meeting was previously scheduled for June 24, 10 am, at Sacramento Executive; and following that, the conference committee will be held at 10 am, August 26.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:40 pm.

Submitted by

Mary A. Hansen  
Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_