



ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AIRPORTS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SACRAMENTO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - 10 am, Wednesday, March 25, 2009

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Jenkins, President
Mary Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer
Mark Bautista, Board Director
Steve Bultman, Corporate
Tom Weil, Past President
John Pfeifer, Corporate
Ken Robbins, Board Director
Greg Marshall, Board Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rod Probst, Board Director
Mario Cifuentes, Board Director
Steve Birdsall, Board Director

MEMBERS/GUESTS PRESENT:

Austin Wiswell
Robin Gardner

GUEST:

Greg Rowe, Sacramento County Airport System

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am by President James Jenkins. Introductions were held of those present.

Confirmation of Quorum

The Secretary confirmed a quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

John Pfeifer asked to move his first legislative update item to the front of the meeting to allow Greg Rowe to discuss the item.

A motion was made by John Pfeifer and seconded by Greg Marshall to accept the agenda as amended. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

Legislative Update

Greg Rowe, Sacramento County Airport System, discussed SB 481 that is currently being considered concerning wildlife removal. This bill would allow the actual implementation of wildlife plans without the threat of airport personnel being threatened with arrest. Although the bill only addresses the Part 139 airports, it is felt that if this can be approved, then there is a good chance general aviation would follow with similar approval.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were previously posted on the website. Austin Wiswell asked for a spelling of Director's Probst's first name. The minutes were noted to correct Rob to Rod.

A motion was made by Mark Bautista and seconded by Greg Marshall to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report

The Secretary/Treasurer reported a bank balance of \$13,352.85. The report was accepted by the Board as presented.

Reports/Action Items

Corporate Business

The Secretary/Treasurer discussed the filing requirements of IRS Tax Form 1024 in order to receive a letter of tax exemption and requested authorization to submit the necessary tax forms, along with a check for \$750 to cover the required filing fee.

A motion was made by Mark Bautista and seconded by Greg Marshall to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to file IRS Tax Form 1024 and authorize the expenditure of \$750 for the filing fee. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

Liason with California Aviation Council (CAC)

John Pfeifer recently attended a meeting of 30 air carrier airports with a mission of working to influence legislation. They decided to form a similar organization as a 501(c)6. It was felt that a liason with ACA was a better fit than joining ACA. John has been invited to the next meeting to be held in Redding.

A motion was made by Tom Weil and seconded by Steve Bultman to designate John Pfeifer as ACA's representative to attend meetings of the California Aviation Association. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

Legislative Update

A brief discussion continued concerning report made earlier by Greg Rowe concerning the wildlife permit issue. John Pfeifer felt that even through this bill is for Part 139 airports, ACA should support it with a letter similar to the one that was done for SB 737 and some language used by AOPA's support letter that John provided the Board with.

A motion was made by John Pfeifer and seconded by Tom Weil for ACA to submit a letter of support concerning SB 481. A discussion was held that the motion should include supporting any amendment that may occur that would add GA to the approval so that the Board would not have to meet to approve further support. The motion was amended to include any amendment relating to GA. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

John discussed the recent letter of support concerning SB 737. There will be a hearing on April 15 that John will be testifying at for AOPA. The same issues still exist in the Assembly concerning this bill.

Nominations Committee Report

Tom Weil will prepare an electronic ballot in order to have an election for Vice President. At the October 16, 2008, Board Meeting, the Board recommended Steve Birdsall for the position. The Bylaws require an election by the membership.

Conference Committee Report

John Pfeifer submitted a draft agenda. Robin Gardner went over the subject items. A suggestion was made to have a pre-meeting on Wednesday morning to cover items like RFQs, RFIs, etc. Robin will work on the session and provide more detail at next meeting. It was also suggested to have an alternate session that could be pulled out if needed. A “save the date” card will be mailed in May by the Secretary/Treasurer.

New Business

None.

Announcements/Suggestions

John Pfeifer reported that Jerry Martin’s wife passed away. Jerry will be in the Auburn area March 28 through April 10 and possibly get together with him on April 7 or 8. He invited any of the board to join him.

It was reported that Gary Cathey has been named the new Division Chief. The Secretary/Treasurer was asked to send a letter of congratulations.

James Jenkins reported that he has been invited to the FAA conference to represent ACA. He will put together a brief presentation.

The next meeting is in conjunction with the TACA meeting on May 27, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:15 pm.

Submitted by

Mary A. Hansen
Secretary

Approved: _____

Date: _____