

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF WICHITA**  
**WICHITA AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD**

**Monday, July 10, 2006 – 3:00 p.m.**

Present: Dion Avello, Bill Calloway, Ron Estes, Charles Fletcher, U.L. Gooch, Dwight Greenlee, Willis Heck, and Jay Swanson

Absent: Tim Austin, David Murfin, Jay Russell, Jeff St. Clair, and Bill Ward

Airport Staff: Victor White, Mike Carter, Shannon Feltes, John Oswald, Valerie Wise, Jean Zoglman

Others: James Mendenhall

Chairman Fletcher called the meeting to order.

**Public Agenda**

James Mendenhall invited the Board to the Aging Design Committee meeting on July 20, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. at Third and Main Street. This Committee was established by the Sedgwick County Area Agency on Aging. This committee is concentrating on designing large venue buildings for the special needs of an aging population, not ADA related.

**Approval of Minutes**

*Motion by Heck to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2006 Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Director's Report**

**KTTI.** This project is now known as the Jabara Campus. The County's selection committee is reviewing submittals from the architectural and engineering design teams. The County Commissioners are to select the team by July 19, 2006. A draft lease agreement between the County and the Wichita Airport Authority was sent to Lori Usher the previous week.

**Hangar Development.** There are potential corporate hangar developments at both airports and negotiations are underway with several firms regarding lease agreements and site development issues.

**Affordable Airfares Bill.** On July 1, 2006 the process created by the Affordable Airfares bill is that REAP will accept applications from communities interested in receiving the funding. Sedgwick County has submitted an application and it has been approved.

**Kansas Airport Association.** The KAA summer workshop will be held at the Airport Hilton on July 20-21, 2006. Airport staff is hosting this event. Two full days of sessions will take place that will include speakers from Rep. Moran's staff, TSA, KDOT, and the FAA. On Friday, there

will be lunch and a tour of the Cessna Citation Service Center. A golf outing is planned on Thursday morning at Auburn Hills, and the Thursday evening event will be a Wranglers game with a dinner buffet.

Advertising Campaign. The Ampco shuttle buses will be dressed up with decals relating to the “It’s a Breeze” advertising campaign.

Terminal Project. The design contract will be presented to City Council on July 18, 2006. Mr. White encouraged the Board to talk to their City Council appointers. There was discussion relating to the media and misconceptions of the public. The economic impact of building a new terminal needs to be explained, as well as the Federal funding that would come into this community. Mr. White stated that the longer we wait, the more it will cost. The architects estimate that for every month we wait, it will cost another \$1 million.

Mike Carter stated the first element in a design phase is a peer review. A meeting with airport experts is scheduled July 31 – August 2 and the Board is invited to join. Representatives from the airlines, TSA and FAA will attend and will meet with the program team. The design team will present the planning to-date and will receive input from all those peers regarding what should and should not be done throughout the project. They will provide advice regarding problems encountered on their projects, such as rerouting traffic.

#### **First Quarter 2006 Financial Report**

Jean Zoglman presented the quarterly financial report. The cash balance has increased about \$1 million in the first quarter. Revenues are up about 11% over last year, or about \$500,000, but expenses are also up about \$400,000. Parking lot and car rental revenues were up compared to last year.

#### **May 2006 Statistical/Project Report**

Total passengers were down 4.68% for the month of May over a year ago. For the year, passengers are down 4.65%. Mr. White stated that nationwide passenger traffic dropped 3.4% in May. Seat capacity and flights have decreased nationwide about 5%. Delta and Northwest have dropped flights due to their bankruptcies. The loss of Cincinnati, Salt Lake City, and Detroit service last year has hurt our passenger traffic. AirTran is doing better than last year.

Mr. White announced the promotion of Valerie Wise to the Air Service and Business Development Manager. Mr. White also announced the promotion of Shannon Feltes to Assistant Contract Administrator.

#### **Meeting Schedule for Forthcoming Year**

It was the consensus of the Board to continue its meeting schedule of the first Monday of each month at 3:00 p.m. If that Monday is a holiday, the meeting will be held on the following Monday.

#### **Election of Officers**

The bylaws of the WAAB call for an election of officers at the first meeting in July.

*Mr. Swanson nominated Charlie Fletcher as Chair and Dwight Greenlee as Chair pro tem. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Other Business**

It was requested that the Board agenda be printed two-sided.

The next WAAB meeting will be Monday, August 7, 2006.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

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Valerie Wise, Clerk