



MEETING MINUTES
Monday, June 3, 2024
3:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Wichita Airport Advisory Board (WAAB) was held in the Administration Building Board Room, 2173 Air Cargo Road, and via a virtual format.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Present in Person: Chair Tim Bonnell, Marco Alcocer, Victoria Carro, Ebony Clemons, Jerome Cottner, Randy Frazer, Mike Greene, John Hennesey, Vice Chair Ron Ryan, Alicia Sanchez, Sierra Scott, Scott Stiles

Present Virtually: Jonathan McRoy

STAFF PRESENT

Present in Person: Jesse Romo, Jacque Butler, Jill Darge, Nate Hinkel, Paula Kehres, Scott Loesch, Angelica Mounce, Darlene Morris, Kevin Reiser, John Oswald, Valerie Wise, Jean Zoglman

ABM: Mason LeBlanc, Kevin Mangayi

Present Virtually: Chris Dotson

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Joey Ellzey, Charles Fletcher, Paige Koeppen

Present Virtually: Jordan Freborg

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Darge took roll call. Chair Bonnell called the meeting to order once a quorum was established.

Bonnell welcomed new board member Alicia Sanchez.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Bonnell requested approval of the April 1, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion was made by Clemons and seconded by Alcocer; motion passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Development
 - Clemons has begun work on new hangar at Jabara.
 - Requested certificate of occupancy for Snow Removal Building at Jabara.
 - Airport hotel is making progress but is still behind schedule by contract.
 - The first of three phases to repair the interchange have begun.
 - A Congressionally directed funding was approved to look at a redesign for the interchange from Kellogg to Eisenhower parkway.

- Air Service
 - April had 139,526 total passengers which is an increase of 4.5% from April 2023.
 - First four months of the year seats increased 8% over 2023.
 - Allegiant resumed seasonal flights to LAX, Orlando-Sanford and Tampa/St. Petersburg. The flights operate twice weekly through the first week of August.
 - American's seasonal flights to Miami ended June 1 but will return November 9.
 - Memorial holiday had nearly 15,000 passengers flying out of Wichita.
 - Airlines are finding it difficult to expand their routes/service due to aircraft delivery delays. Also, air traffic controller shortage is still limiting flights out of constrained airports such as NY hubs.
 - Tours were given to the Jobs for America's Graduates and two travel companies, Here I Go Travel and Creating Magic Vacations, which are designed for individuals with autism.
 - 102-year-old Olen Mitchell from Hutchinson joined 60 WWII veterans from across the US on an all-expense paid trip to Normandy in commemoration of the 80th anniversary of D-Day.
 - Kansas Air Service Development Program (KASDP) was approved by the state. Kansas Department of Transportation is managing the funds and applications are being requested.

STAFF REPORTS

- Wise gave an update on current job postings.
- Loesch and gave a presentation on Grounds and Fleet. A copy of the presentation is attached.
- Zoglman led a presentation on Parking with the participation of Mangayi. A copy of the presentation is attached.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Board elections will be held at the July 1 2024 meeting.

The next regular Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting is scheduled to be held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, July 1, 2024.