

# MEETING MINUTES Monday, July 7, 2025 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: Vice Chair Randy Frazer, Marco Alcocer, Tim Bonnell, Mike Greene, Cathy McClain, Bob Rasberry, Sierra Scott, Scott Stiles

Present Virtually: Ebony Clemons

## **STAFF PRESENT**

Present in Person: Jesse Romo, Amanda Bilby, Jill Darge, Nate Hinkel, Darlene Morris, John Oswald, Billy Prokop, Kevin Reiser, Steve Smart, Valerie Wise, Jean Zoglman.

Present Virtually: Chris Dotson

## **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Present in Person: David Stilwell, Dr. Sheree Utash

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Darge took roll call. Vice Chair Frazer called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes was made by McClain and seconded by Bonnell. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Romo discussed recent development activity at Jabara Airport, highlighting the significant construction now underway.

Guest Dr. Sheree Utash from WSU Tech presented on campus developments (presentation attached). She awarded Romo a challenge coin for exemplary service. Romo noted the partnership with WSU Tech that made the successful project possible.

#### Oswald reported on:

- Terminal remodel project: 3 bidders, McCown Gordon selected as low bidder. Construction to begin January 2026.
- Streets project: Ongoing maintenance and repair of roadways and parking lots.
- Utility systems evaluation: PEC contracted to study power and gas infrastructure, including modernization of aging meters.
- Oswald announced his retirement effective the last Friday in August after 26.5 years of service.

Romo noted ongoing staffing and succession planning efforts, including the recent posting of Wise's position and the potential timeframe for Oswald's.

Romo also shared that he was named one of Wichita Business Journal's Executives of the Year, with a recognition luncheon planned for August 14. Romo credited the efforts of his entire staff as well as partnerships with tenants for the honor.

Wise presented on air service developments (presentation attached).

Romo noted that an extension through the end of July was granted for the hotel construction project and that the FAA Part 139 inspection begins July 8.

Bob Rasberry introduced himself as the new board member, appointed by Pete Meitzner. Rasberry is CEO of Yingling and has deep ties to Wichita's aviation community.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

Zoglman presented the Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program (presentation attached).

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

Vice Chair Frazer announced annual elections as per WAAB by-laws.

- Vice Chair: Bonnell nominated McClain, seconded by Greene. Motion passed unanimously.
- Chair: Bonnell nominated Frazer, seconded by Greene. Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting is scheduled to be held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 4, 2025.