

# Virginia Aviation Board Meeting Minutes

The Virginia Aviation Board held a meeting on Thursday, February 19, 2009 at the Holiday Inn Richmond Airport, 445 International Center Drive, Sandston, Virginia 23150.

## **MEMBERS**

Present
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Absent
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### **OTHER ATTENDEES**

Terry Page FAA Washington Area District Office

Lori Pound Office of the Attorney General

Randall Burdette Director, Virginia Department of Aviation

DOAV staff, state government representatives, federal government representatives, airport sponsors and managers, consultants, engineers, business owners, and city and county representatives were also present.

1. Call to Order . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Roger Oberndorf, Chairman

The chairman called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

2. Review and approve minutes

The November meeting minutes were approved with no changes.

- 3. Reports/Announcements:
  - a. DOAV Report ...... Randall Burdette, DOAV

Mr. Burdette updated the board and attendees on aviation issues and activities across the Commonwealth. The presentation topics included dates and locations for Aviation Safety Week, aircraft accident report, Large Aircraft Security Program (NPRM), Economic Impact Study, DOAV's budget, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. (Copy of presentation available upon request.)

b. FAA Report ...... Terry Page, FAA

Mr. Page provided a summary of the FY-09 AIP Grant Status, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and FAA's implementation of the recently passed act.

c. VAOC Report ...... Juan Rivera, VAOC

Mr. Rivera announced that the VAOC Spring Workshop will be held on April 21, 2009 in Staunton. The topic of the one-day seminar will be Aviation Accident Communications. VAOC is looking to expand its participation in outreach such as the annual legislative reception. VAOC is following the progress of the FAA reauthorization bill and court cases at Virginia Highlands Airport and Chesapeake Regional Airport, as well as formulating comments on the Notice of Proposed Rule Making for the Large Aircraft Security Program. The organization is working on a new website where members can find information, such as issue updates and upcoming events.

d. Legislative Update...... Keith McCrea, DOAV

Mr. McCrea updated the board and attendees on aviation related legislation before the General Assembly. (Copies of legislation status update available upon request)

Mr. McCrea requested that the board pass a motion authorizing DOAV to advertise a repeal of the portion of the Virginia Aviation Regulations regarding public participation and the issuance of new public participation guidelines for those regulations. The board passed the motion.

#### 4. Old Business:

a. Commendation to the Waltrip Family recognizing Jean Waltrip for her contributions to Virginia

Aviation. . . . . . Roger Oberndorf, Chairman

Roger Oberndorf, Chairman, presented a resolution from the board to Larry Waltrip in recognition of the contributions of his wife Jean Waltrip to the Williamsburg/Jamestown Airport, aviation in the Commonwealth, and her community. Mr. Waltrip thanked everyone for their support.

#### 5. New Business:

a. Virginia Aviation Board Review Tentative Allocations from the

Commonwealth Airport Fund . . . . . . . . . . . . . Mike Swain, DOAV

Mr. Swain presented the project requests and staff recommendations. The board voted on the allocation of capital funds. The results are available at www.doav.virginia.gov. After the allocations were made, the following state discretionary funds were available:

Air Carrier/Reliever Discretionary \$241,439.06 General Aviation Discretionary \$428,771.44

The board approved a staff recommendation for a change of scope for a remaining tentative allocation balance for the Hanover County Airport, allowing the sponsor to

use the balance for Easement Acquisition and Obstruction Removal on Runways 16 and 34 (bridge loan).

b. Airport Updates

Airport updates were given by Mrs. Faith Glick and Mayor Robert Coiner, Gordonsville Airport; Mr. Jeff Tarkington, TBI, Tangier Airport; Ms. Tanya Woodward, Manager, Culpeper Regional Airport; Mr. Steve Fox, Sponsor, Hampton Roads Executive Airport; and Mr. Chris Brown, Manager, Dulles International Airport.

No public comments were offered.

## 7. Board Member Comments and Reports

Mr. Rick Franklin updated the board on the progress of the issues at the Allen J. Perkinson Airport in Blackstone that were raised at the last board meeting. A meeting was held between DOAV and other parties addressing the aviation and safety concerns at the airport, and they are working on numerous ways to look at all the issues. The main issue is maintenance at the airport. The town is seeking a Memorandum of Agreement with the appropriate federal agency to be able to work with them regarding maintenance projects that could possibly be eligible for state funding. A meeting is being scheduled between the



Adjunct General and members of Congress to discuss this matter.

The next meeting of the board will be held on May 21, 2009.

8. Adjourn Meeting

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.