

MID-WAY REGIONAL AIRPORT JOINT AIRPORT BOARD MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Mid-Way Regional Airport Joint Airport Board was held on Thursday, April 11, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., in the Rex Odom Conference Room, at Mid-Way Regional Airport, 131 Airport Dr., Midlothian, Texas.

Members Present: Gary Richter, Vice Chair
George Kent
David Box
Ray Barksdale
Kyle Ballard

Members Absent: Paula Baucum, Chair
Kent McGuire, Secretary

Others Present: Judy Demoney, Airport Manager
Tammy Bowen, Airport Operations Assistant
Ken Lantz, Partner, Southern Star Aviation

REGULAR AGENDA

Opening: Vice Chair Gary Richter called the meeting to order, and David Box gave the invocation.

Board Announcements: Judy Demoney informed the Board that she and Tammy Bowen received website training this week. Judy said that the website is structurally done, and just need to work on getting some content into the pages. Once that is done it will be ready to go live. Judy told the Board that we came in \$500 under budget, but will need to purchase a new scanner for downloading documents to the website.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of Meeting held February 14, 2013
- Financial Report
- Manager's Report
- Airport Operations Report
- FBO Reports
- Tenant Liaison Report

Kyle Ballard moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of the Financial Report over to the Regular Agenda; second by David Box. All Ayes.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Financial Report: Judy Demoney wanted to explain to the Board that the report looks different because the City has a new program. Judy said that we are not \$195,500 over budget as it shows. The \$195,500 that will cover the Apron expansion was put on the expense side, but it was not included on the revenue side.

Ray Barksdale moved to approve the Financial Report as presented; second by George Kent. All Ayes.

Apron Expansion Update: Judy Demoney said that regarding the drainage issues from the North end of the apron, the decision was made to pursue the purchase of the 7.118 acres from Mr. Thompson. This is being handled by Scott Bryan from TxDOT. Mr. Thompson was contacted, a survey was completed, and the appraisal was done on April 9th. A report should be completed by the end of April. Once TxDOT gets all of the information in they will be making an offer. KSA is continuing with the design and hopes to have everything completed by the 1st of June. They will then go out for bid, so actual construction should begin somewhere around mid-August. Judy said that she will update the tenants regarding the apron expansion project in the next newsletter.

Pancake Breakfast Fly-In: Tammy Bowen updated the Board on the Annual Pancake Breakfast Fly-In to be held on Saturday, June 1, 2013, 8:00 am – 11:00 am. There will be classic airplanes and fighters, helicopter, open cockpit bi-plane and DC-3 rides, full motion simulator instructional flights, skydivers, fly-overs, Midlothian Classic Wheels, Gold Wing Road Riders, live music, face painting and a trackless train for kids. Tammy said that the people with the train has cut out all pay-for-play events, so they informed us that we would need to book the train for \$400, and then charge for the rides ourselves to cover our expenses. We decided that because of the popularity of the train, and being one of the only two things we have for kids that it was important to have at the event. Per discussion from the last Board meeting due to increasing expenses ticket prices were increased with ages 8 and over \$7, and ages 7 and under \$3. Tammy said that she would volunteer to put out the posters for the Board, but would need everyone's participation on the day of the event in order for it to be a success. Judy Demoney explained that next year the Boy Scouts will be making a proposal to prepare our pancake breakfast. They purchased grills that were built exactly like the ones that Chris Cakes owns, and due to the increasing costs for catering each year not only would this benefit the Boy Scouts, but it would help the Airport come closer to paying for the event. Tammy asked the Board how they felt about having vendors at the fly-in. The Board agreed to accept vendors if someone showed interest. Kyle Ballard suggested asking the Chambers if they would print something. Tammy said that once our new website goes online she can post something on the Airport's site to inform people that we will be accepting vendor applications.

Business Update by Southern Star Aviation: Ken Lantz said that for the last couple of months it has been pretty dismal for fuel sales, aircraft maintenance and operations. Ken said that based on publications he has received from the NBAA and the other indicating factor being their fuel vendor, the entire country has been in the same predicament. With the ongoing budget crisis in DC they have seen a decrease in military traffic. Business jets don't seem to be flying as much right now because he feels that they are afraid to spend a lot of unnecessary money. Ken did say that the month of April has picked up a bit at Mid-Way, and hopes that warmer weather will bring more traffic.

Ken told the Board that they continue working with a newly formed aerospace performance company called Slipstream Coatings to be a home base for this process. They have been doing some experimental testing with a molecular coating for aircraft designed to help increase air speed. It was invented and developed by the same gentleman that invented Rain-X. They have coated one aircraft and have been testing it. It appeared that it was giving the aircraft an immediate ten knot increase in speed. Ken said that they are in the preliminary stage and have a business agreement with the company as their applicators/service facility. If this takes off they could be looking down the line to build another facility that's a dedicated hangar facility for this targeting larger aircraft, business jets and eventually airliner type aircraft. This company could be interested in one or both of the spaces available for rent upstairs and downstairs of the terminal building. They have also been talking with two different aircraft interior companies about taking the space downstairs.

Executive Session: This item was removed from the agenda.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Adjournment: There being no further business,

George Kent moved to adjourn; second by Kyle Ballard. All Ayes.

Respectfully submitted, Tammy Bowen, Airport Operations Assistant

