

DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, January 14, 2019 at 7:00p.m., Room 227, Airport Administration Building at DeKalb-Peachtree Airport.

Members Present: Larry Scheinpflug (Vice Chairman), Kevin Fowler, Mike Reeves, Christopher Richard, Robert Smith

Members Absent: Jennifer McKillop, Eugene Henry and Dan Zanger

Others Present: Airport Director Mario Evans, Deputy Airport Director Marshall Taggart and Noise and Environmental Analyst Nate Schattner

The meeting was called to order at 7:08p.m. by Vice Chairman Larry Scheinpflug

- I. Approval of Minutes: **Motion to approve the minutes December 10th, 2018 was made by Larry Scheinpflug and seconded by Kevin Fowler. Motion passed.**
- II. Information/Old Business
 - A. **Airport Director's Report:** Airport Director Mario Evans reported the following:
 1. Master Plan Update: Evans deferred to Jim Duguay from Michael Baker International. Jim shared that Michael Baker is completing an inventory of existing conditions at the airport report. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) & National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) information is missing due to government shutdown. Report will be available at the end of January. Jim also talked about the Smartegies report based on Public involvement. Overall project schedule was updated for the next 2 years. There will be a possible Airport 101 meeting in February for the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). Another 101 for the Airport Stakeholders/Technical, and the Intergovernmental committees will be held toward the end of February. Larry Scheinpflug asked why it was important to hold these meetings. Jim said it would be good to educate folks because they, particularly the Citizens Committee, asked for this education. The next round for all the committee meetings will be held in March. A member of the Public on the CAC asked if he could be part of creating the agenda for the March meetings. Board answered: Yes. Chris Richard asked Jim from Michael Baker how the Airport Ops report feeds into the Master Plan. Jim answered: FAA uses airport forecasts to plan for ATC.
 2. Surge Event – Super Bowl LIII; February 3, 2019: Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) will be in effect during the game for all airports within 60 nautical miles from stadium. Peak times will start on Wed. 1/30. PDK will accept 25 operations per hour based on TRACON (other airports in the range average 20 operations per hour). Projecting 200+ aircraft a day coming into PDK, split between arrivals and departures. NFL owners will start coming here on Wednesday the 30th. Runways 16-34, 3L and 21R will be closed. Saturday peak time: 0900 to 1900. Sunday peak time: 0800 to 1500. Monday peak times are: 1100 to 1400 and 1600 to 1700. Tower will be open Sunday night to Monday morning 0300. Visual Flight Rule (VFRs) are all told to stand down if they are not in the Prior Permission Required (PPR) system. One week prior to event, the airport will put out information to the surrounding cities. There will be a 24 hour police presence, DeKalb and Chamblee, plus security. There will be an extra Fire/Crash truck. Larry Scheinpflug asked about base tenant access, i.e., if they will be able to come to their hangar. Board answered: Yes. If a base tenant wants to fly during the 1/30-2/4 window, they need to make their request to an FBO Manager, who will in turn submit to Airport Director Mario Evans, who will in turn submit to the FAA.
 - B. **Noise and Environmental Analyst Report:** Prepared and delivered by Nate Schattner. **The December 2018 Noise Report** will be posted on the website in its entirety: **Total operations data is not available due to Government Shutdown.** There were 217 voluntary curfew operations. **Total 2018 year-to-date operations are not available due to Government Shutdown.** In December, 48% of operations were on a southerly flow,

36% were to the north, and 16% were on the NW/SE runway. **Noise complaints:** 80 households made 188 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 12:00p.m. and 17:59p.m. (29%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 46.81% of the complaints originated from the 30341 zip code. A total of 72 advisory letters were sent to aircraft operators who flew during the Voluntary Curfew Period who were not identified as MedEvac and/or other emergency flights. Regarding High Noise Events, 23 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

- Member of the community asked if his complaints about numerous flights over his home on 12/19/18 could be addressed, specifically with regard to his understanding that aircraft should not step out of scheduled pattern. Airport Director Mario Evans explained that generic flight patterns established can change. Community member responded that he wanted a formal report for what happened that day to result in so many flights over his house for many hours on 12/19. Evans explained that the time period in question encompassed the oversight of approximately 3 Air Traffic Controllers that would have been on duty that day. Board Member Larry Scheinpflug also explained that since it was a sunny day, there would have been many flight school aircraft doing touch and go's.
- Member of community asked if there was any aggregation of escalated noise offenders, and what the escalation plan was. Evans answered and stated that letters of escalation for violations are sent in these cases.
- Board Member Larry Scheinpflug asked Noise & Environmental Analyst, Nate, what percentage of public inquiries came by phone call and what percentage by email. Nate answered that he mostly gets emails from the public.
- Member of community asked about having the noise threshold lowered from 90 to 85 db. Evans answered that this would be looked into.
- **Motion to accept the December 2018 Noise Report was made, but since the report lacked aircraft operations data due to the government shutdown the acceptance of the report will be delayed until next month once the necessary data is received.**

C. Other: None

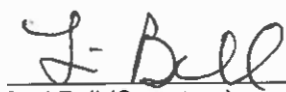
III. New Business: Dates need to be set on the AAB calendar for Board meetings in 2019. New Chair and Vice Chair need to be elected. Larry Scheinpflug volunteered for the Chair position and was nominated by the Board. Christopher Richard volunteered for the Vice Chair role and was nominated by the Board.

IV. Public Comments:

- A member of the community asked about Next Gen. The Board answered that NextGen is an ongoing modernization of the National Airspace System and that many of the aircraft operating at PDK are already compliant with the 2020 mandate..

Motion to adjourn was made by Larry Scheinpflug and seconded by Mike Reeves. Motion passed at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by:



Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:



Larry Scheinpflug (Vice Chairman)