

DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, December 12th, 2022 at 5:30 PM via Zoom Video Conference call.

Members Present: Doug Miller (AAB Chair), Christopher Richard, Mike Reeves Reuben Jones, Kevin Fowler, Eugene Henry

Members Absent: Larry Scheinflug (Vice Chair)

Others Present: Airport Director Mario Evans, Deputy Airport Director Hunter Hines, and Noise and Environmental Analyst Korey Barnes

The meeting was called to order at 5:32p.m. by AAB Chair, Doug Miller.

- I. Approval of Minutes: **Motion to approve the November 2022 minutes was made by Doug Miller and seconded by Eugene Henry.**

- II. Information/Old Business

- A. **Airport Director's Report (Mario Evans):**

1. Airport Master Plan: Airport Director Mario Evans stated that it is still in a holding pattern. Evans spoke with the CEO today and BOC to see where we are with the approval of commissioners for the Board. He has not heard back.

2. **Noise and Environmental Analyst Report:** - N&E Analyst, Korey Barnes delivered the following report:

The November 2022 Noise Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: **Total operations were 14,490** which is an increase of 0.08% as compared to November of 2021. There were 312 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2022 year-to-date operations are **165,706** as compared to the total 2021 operations as of November 2021 of 145,403. In November 35% of operations were on a southerly flow, 62% were to the north, and 3% were on the NW/SE runway. **Noise complaints:** 28.2 households made 959 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 12:00 PM and 5.59 PM. (40%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 54% of the complaints originated from the **30360** zip code. A total of 134 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, 21 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

- Board Member Reuben Jones asked if it can be determined if the aircraft that set off the noise monitors are typically older aircraft or is it related to the aircraft pattern? Barnes answered: The reasons vary.

Motion to accept the November 2022 Noise Reports were made by Reuben Jones and seconded by Kevin Fowler. Motion passed.

- B. **Other:**

- Airport Director Mario Evans shared that he spoke with the Chamblee seat: all appointments for the county would be deferred until the first of the year.

- Board Chair Doug Miller suggests AAB Monthly meetings stay as they are (virtual) for January 9th at 5:30PM. Discussion of a hybrid change will be considered going forward. Airport Director Mario Evans said he has spoken to the law department and IT; we will stay with this format until or if a change is proposed. Citizen Jordan Fox asked if meetings could be held in Globe Building? Evans answered: they do not have space bigger than the room currently used by the Board.

- III. **New Business:**

NONE

- IV. **Public Comments:**

- Citizen Jordan Fox: Mereta Davis's office told him that there was movement regarding the

Chamblee seat. Airport Director Mario Evans responded that this will still need to wait to be finalized in January.
- Board Member Reuben Jones asked about Min. Standards. Evans answered: a revised quote has come in.

Motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Fowler and seconded by Gene Henry. Motion passed at 6:04p.m.

Submitted by:

Lori Bell

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

Doug Miller

Doug Miller (AAB Chair)