

## DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Room 227, Airport Administration Building at DeKalb-Peachtree Airport.

Members Present: Christopher Richard (AAB Chair), Mike Reeves, Reuben Jones, Dan Zanger, Doug Miller, Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Vice Chair)

Members Absent: Eugene Henry, Kevin Fowler

Others Present: Airport Director Mario Evans and Noise and Environmental Analyst Korey Barnes

The meeting was called to order at 7:08p.m. by AAB Vice Chair, Christopher Richard.

- I. Approval of Minutes: **Motion to approve the January 13, 2020 minutes was made by Dan Zanger and seconded by Mike Reeves. 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 Michael Baker International representative, Jim Duguay.
      - Working on proposed improvements that have been submitted to the FAA regarding the Aerospace Obstruction Study and approach minimums. Hope to hear the results of FAA analysis before next meeting. Duguay stated that the airport may want to make some geometrical improvements to runway incursion plan.
      - No date set yet for next round of public committee meetings: will occur in next two or three months.
      - Member of public, Mr. Foster, asked about critical aircraft (Gulfstream 3), takeoff weight. Duguay explained that this aircraft is most demanding in terms of wingspan and approach speed.
      - Second question by member of public, Mr. Foster, regarding projections for future use. Foster stated that the projections the FAA came up with were lower than the PDK Master Plan projections. Duguay explained all the information that goes into the actual projection that the PDK Master Plan team calculated. Mr. Foster passed out a handout to support his point,
      - Member of the public asked again about when committee meetings will be held. Member of Michael Baker team encouraged the public to submit questions to the group at any time, not just at Board meeting.
    2. Air Quality Roundtable Update: still working on the agenda and presentations for the roundtable. Date TBD in Spring. Questions from member of the public, Mr. Foster: Will this be a Public meeting? Will there be an Opportunity for Q&A? Evans answered Yes to both.

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

**The January 2020 Noise Report** will be posted on the website in its entirety: **Total operations were 13,373** which is an increase of 20.64% as compared to January of 2019. There were 311 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2020 year-to-date operations are **13,373** as compared to the total 2019 operations as of January 2019 of 11,085. In January, 40% of operations were on a southerly flow, 55% were to the north, and 5% were on the NW/SE runway. **Noise complaints: 15.3** households made 199 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 6:00p.m. and 11:59p.m. (37%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 80% of the complaints originated from the 30341 zip code. A total of 125 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, 94 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

- Question from Public: Do you break out jets from props on noise report? Barnes answered, Yes. Member of public then asked if there is any pattern or trend for letters sent out – are they effective? Barnes answered, yes, some operators call and apologize, explain.
- Evans pointed out that the airport is tracking those who report noise events via the new Public View software system, to determine if the public is using the software to report noise events vs calling the Noise Event Analyst. Evans said if it is not used, airport may discontinue offering the software. Member of the public asked that the link be put on the Noise page as well as the front page of the PDK website. Evans said this will be done.

**Motion to accept the January 2020 Noise Report was made by Larry Scheinplflug and seconded by Dan Zanger. Motion passed.**

**B. Other:**  
None.

**III. New Business:**

1. Board Member Scheinplflug discussed two requests by current tenants: Have we considered installing a wash rack? Evans answered No, but that Signature and Atlantic have their own wash racks. Evans said the Board is proposing dry washing of aircraft vs wet washing, for environmental concerns. Larry asked if tenants can go to Signature or Atlantic to use their wash rack? Evans answered, yes, but they will probably be charged a fee. Scheinplflug suggested that he thought Signature's wash rack was closed.
- Second issue presented by Scheinplflug: Gate 11 that was upgraded, is not working. Also security for this gate: chain is beat up, any plans to change out the chain link? Answer by Hunter: No plans to change out gate, but maintenance will be contacted.

**IV. Public Comments:**

- Member of the Public asked: How are these meetings being advertised? Evans answered that he sends the information to the county, and it is posted on our website. Member of public asked about social media postings – says they are not being posted there.
- Board Member Mike Reeves recognized new Board member, Doug Miller: Welcome to the Board, Doug! Doug Miller said he is happy to be on the Board!

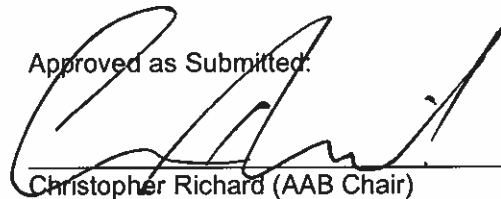
**Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Larry Scheinplflug. Motion passed at 7:47 p.m.**

Submitted by:



Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:



Christopher Richard (AAB Chair)