

DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, June 9th, 2025 at 6:00 PM both in person and via Zoom Video Conference call. There were 6 of 7 PDK AAB members present, 4 in person and two via Zoom.

Members Present: Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair), Will Childs, Mike Reeves, Reuben Jones, Jordan Fox and Chris Richard.

Members Absent: Doug Miller (AAB Vice Chair)

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by AAB Chair, Larry Scheinpflug

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the May 2025 minutes was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Reuben Jones. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Information/Old Business

A. Airport Director's Report delivered by Airport Director (Hunter Hines):

1. LED Airfield: Project largely complete. Trinity Electrical waiting on some back order materials they need for helipad, and to install the generator.
2. Runway 3R / 21L Keel Replacement: No new information. Project to commence in mid-August.
3. Transient landing fee ordinance: The Board of Commissioners voted in favor of the Transient Landing Fee Ordinance. The next step will be to put out an RFP for a vendor to enable fee collection (no timeline as of this meeting). No fees for based aircraft, nor any aircraft under 9000 lbs. Fees are only to be applied for landing operations. Not for Missed Approaches or go-arounds.
4. Air Quality and Noise Study: The EPA and FAA have given their approvals on the study parameters. The vendor is now working with their subcontractors on final documentation to begin the modeling process. This is expected to be completed this year.

Noise and Environmental Analyst Report May 2025: - N&E Analyst, Korey Barnes delivered the following report:

The May 2025 Noise Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: **Total operations were 15,404** which is a decrease of 18.12% as compared to May 2024. There were 461 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2025 year-to-date operations are **72,463** as compared to the total operations as of May 2024 of 77,631. In May 80% of operations were on a southerly flow, 17% were to the north, and 3% were on the NW/SE runway. **Noise complaints:** A total of 1,203 complaints consisting of 47 complainants, of that, 7 were new complainants. 25.6 households made complaints. Minus the top two households, the average was 15.3 complaints per household. One person accounted for 272 (23%). Top four accounted for 766 (64%). The majority of the complaints were made between 12:00 PM and 05:59 PM (42%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 36% of the complaints originated from the **30319**-zip code. A total of 234 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, 20 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

Motion to accept the May 2025 Noise Report was made by Reuben Jones and seconded by Mike Reeves. Motion passed unanimously.

Other:

Board Member Jordan Fox asked about the planned Board trip to the PDK ATC tower. Airport Director Hines said that this would be set up.

II. New Business:

- Board Chair Larry Scheinpflug asked Board Member Chris Richard if he stills has a current term with his commissioner? Board Member Chris Richard answered: Yes. Airport Director Hunter Hines said that said that Chris Richard's appointment still needs to go through the BOC for approval.
- Board Member Jordan Fox brought up an email he sent to the Board to discuss a petition circulating in the community from 2023 regarding the Master plan. A new post was made regarding the petition. Airport Director Hunter Hines said that most issues in this old petition have already been addressed.

III. **Public Comments:**

None

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:32 p.m. by Mike Reeves. Motion to accept was seconded by Reuben Jones.

Submitted by:

Lori Bell

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

Larry Scheinpflug

Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair)