

DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, July 14th, 2025 at 6:00 PM both in person and via Zoom Video Conference call. There were 6 of 7 PDK AAB members present, 5 in person and 1 via Zoom.

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

Members Absent: Hunter Hines (Airport Director), Mike Reeves

Others Present: Airport Operations Manager / Noise and Environmental Analyst Korey Barnes

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by AAB Chair, Larry Scheinpflug

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the June 2025 minutes was made by Doug Miller and seconded by Reuben Jones. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Information/Old Business

A. Airport Director's Report delivered by Airport Operations Manager (Korey Barnes):

1. LED Airfield: Project is 100% complete with the exception of the backup generator installation. This should be completed over the next couple of weeks.
2. Runway 3R / 21L Keel Replacement: Contract approved by BOC last week. In the process of sending over notice of award to bid winner, C.W. Matthews. Start date will be late August/early September.
3. Transient landing fee ordinance: The Board of Commissioners voted in favor of the Transient Landing Fee Ordinance. The ordinance is in the DeKalb County law department for review. The next step will be to hire a landing fee vendor via an RFP.
4. Lease Agreement with the Maintenance Group, LLC for Tract 2 and Tract 11 (1950 Airport Road) and Lease Agreement with the Maintenance Group, LLC for Tract C-20 Revised (1961 Sixth Street): Kent Neiederhofer and Michael Parrish of the Maintenance Group were introduced by the Airport Lease manager, Joyce Foster. Several Board Members asked questions about the lease renewal process which Joyce Foster answered.
Motion to accept 1st lease was made by Doug Miller and seconded by Will Childs. Motion passed unanimously.
Motion to accept 2nd lease was made by Reuben Jones and seconded by Doug Miller. Motion passed unanimously.
Joyce Foster stated that an agenda will be prepared for consideration by the BOC by August 14th at the soonest.

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

The June 2025 Noise Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: **Total operations were 16,724** which is a decrease of 13.51% as compared to June 2024. There were 475 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2025 year-to-date operations are **89,187** as compared to the total operations as of June 2024 of 96,967. In June 70% of operations were on a southerly flow, 29% were to the north, and 1% were on the NW/SE runway. **Noise complaints:** A total of 802 complaints consisting of 50 complainants. Of that, 7 were new complainants (2 in the same household). 16 households made complaints. Minus the top two households, the average was 13.3 complaints per household. One person accounted for 90 of the 802 complaints (11%). Top five households accounted for 349 of the 802 complaints (44%). The majority of the complaints were made between 06:00 AM and 11:59 AM (36%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 32% of the complaints originated from the **30345**-zip code. A total of 260 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, 27 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

Motion to accept the June 2025 Noise Report was made by Doug and seconded by Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

Other:

Board Member Reuben Jones had questions about the environmental study; i.e., is this done periodically at

most airports or special for PDK? Airport Operations Manager Korey Barnes answered that environmental questions have been a longstanding concern in the community. The airport is limited in what it can do by its design. When the Board receives results at the end of this year they'll be able to determine what if any recommendations can be implemented.

II. **New Business:**

- Board Member Jordan Fox remarked on the tower tour the Board took prior to the meeting. It went well, was fun and educational!

III. **Public Comments:**

None

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:10 p.m. by Doug Miller. Motion to accept was seconded by Reuben Jones.

Submitted by:

Lori Bell

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

Larry Scheinpflug

Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair)