

**Aviation Council of Alabama, Inc.  
Monthly Board of Directors Meeting  
Montgomery Regional Airport  
Montgomery, AL  
May 17, 2017**

**MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:**

Jed Blackwell	Col. Roosevelt Lewis	Jeff Powell
Jerry Cofield	Ray Miller	Todd Storey
Ken Gilbert	Art Morris	Courtney Tomberlin
Russ Kilgore	Bobby Odom	Kevin Vandeberg

**Board Members Absent:**

Menzo Driskell, Thomas Hughes, Nikki Jordan, Fred Sington, Mike Smith, Rick Tucker

**Quorum:**

Present

**Others Present:**

Dr. John Eagerton, Misty Jones, Lynn Weldon

**Call to Order:**

President Jed Blackwell called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Mr. Ray Miller gave the invocation.

**Recognition of Guests & Visitors:**

Jed Blackwell introduced ACA's new Events Director, Mrs. Lynn Weldon.

**Consideration of Minutes:**

Jed Blackwell presented the minutes from the monthly board meeting held April 19, 2017. Jerry Cofield made a motion to approve the minutes with second by Russ Kilgore. All members unanimously approved.

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Financial Report**

Art Morris reviewed the financial statement for month ending April 30, 2017. Ray Miller made a motion to approve the financials with a second by Col. Roosevelt Lewis. All members unanimously approved. Art Morris discussed setting up a separate account for the debit card with a \$5,000 balance. Events Director Lynn Weldon will keep the card. Russ Kilgore made a motion to pass a resolution approving this request with a second by Jerry Cofield. All members unanimously approved. Jed Blackwell stated that the 990-EZ for year ending 9/30/16 was filed by the May 15, 2017 deadline. Jed also stated that the FY 2016 audit review is still being performed by McClintock, Nelson & Associates and should be completed by the June board meeting.

**B. Legislative Committee Report**

No report.

### **C. Workshop/Annual Meeting Committee Report**

Lynn Weldon discussed plans for the conference in September. She requested board approval for the cost of \$9,431.25 to secure the Bryant Conference Center. Russ Kilgore made a motion to approve the request with a second by Col. Roosevelt Lewis. All members approved. Lynn requested board approval to sign the contract with Bryant Conference Center. Russ Kilgore made a motion to approve with second by Jeff Powell. All members approved. Lynn also requested approval to sign the contract with Bryant Museum for the Sunday evening reception. Russ Kilgore made a motion to approve her request with second by Ken Gilbert. All members approved. Jed Blackwell made a request for the conference registration fee to be \$125.00 per person with a spousal fee of \$50.00. Russ Kilgore made a motion to approve the request with second by Ken Gilbert. All members approved. Lynn stated she plans to have the registration packets mailed by June 15, 2017.

### **D. Website Committee Report**

Todd Storey stated that he would be updating the website with new photos, conference information and copies of the board meeting minutes. Lynn Weldon stated that she had put the conference information on the ACA Facebook page and Twitter account. Jed Blackwell informed the board about the new mailing address for the ACA. The new address is **The Aviation Council of Alabama**

**3066 Zelda Rd.  
#263  
Montgomery, Al. 36106**

### **E. Membership Report**

Jed Blackwell relayed to the board that Nikki Jordan has new ACA brochures being made that should be ready by the June board meeting.

### **F. Academic Relations Committee**

Jerry Cofield stated that 36 scholarship applications were received. The Academic Relations Committee will present a recipient for board approval at the June 21, 2017 meeting.

### **G. Corporate Liaison Committee**

Ken Gilbert passed out the business cards he made each board member.

### **NASAO Convention Sponsorship**

Kevin Vandenberg discussed various levels of sponsorship opportunities for the NASAO Convention in September. Jed Blackwell recommended the board approve the silver sponsorship of \$4,000 unless it is unavailable. Should it be unavailable, the bronze sponsorship of \$3,000 would be selected. A motion to approve this request was made by Col. Roosevelt Lewis with a second by Ray Miller. All members unanimously approved.

### **President's Report:**

Jed Blackwell made a request for the board to approve the Silver Wings sponsorship of \$550.00 to sponsor the City of Tuskegee's Annual Memorial Day Fly-In on May 19-20, 2017 at Moton Field. Ray Miller made a motion to approve sponsorship request with a second by Russ Kilgore. All members approved.

### **ALDOT Report:**

Dr. John Egerton discussed the upcoming NASAO convention being held September 9-13, 2017 in Point Clear, Al. He also discussed the need for an economic development incentive program for funding projects at Alabama airports. He advised the board that developing a strategic alliance with the Alabama Dept. of Commerce would

be the best place to begin lobbying for this incentive program. Col. Roosevelt Lewis requested that ACA President Jed Blackwell lead a delegation to meet with the AL. Dept. of Commerce. A motion to approve this request was made by Ray Miller with a second by Col. Roosevelt Lewis. All members approved.

**Open Discussion/New Business:**

No new business.

**Date/Time for Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Board will be held on **Wednesday, June 21, 2017**, at 10:00 a.m. in Bessemer, Al.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made at 11:35 a.m. by Bobby Odom with second by Col. Roosevelt Lewis. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike Smith, Secretary

JUNE 21, 2017

Date