

**Aviation Council of Alabama
Regular Board Meeting
Montgomery, Alabama
January 16, 2008**

The monthly Board Meeting of the Aviation Council of Alabama met in session on Wednesday, January 16, 2008 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Montgomery Airport, Montgomery, Alabama. Those board members present were:

Present:

Russ Kilgore – President
Fred Sington, Jr. – Secretary
Art Morris- Treasurer

Ray Miller	Kent Kelley
Menzo Driskell	Phil Perry
Terry Capps	Bill Hutto
Stephanie Blankenship	

Absent:

Rick Tucker- Vice President
Wayne Cameron
Col. Ro Lewis
Buzz Sawyer

The meeting was called to order by President, Russ Kilgore and the minutes from December 12, 2007 were presented. Ray Miller moved that the minutes be accepted as presented, Phil Perry seconded and the motion was carried.

The Treasurer's Report, given by Art Morris was brief. Kent Kelley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Fred Sington, Jr. seconded and the motion was passed.

Special guest, Mr. Travis Capps, then took the floor. He complained about the weights and measures people and wondering when their tanks and their meters would be approved so they can continue business. It seems the enforcement of these weights and measures is uneven. The Council has appointed a task force composed of, Ray Miller, Bill Hutto, Buzz Sawyer and Stephanie Blankenship, to take this matter under consideration and decide what action the Council would take and in what manner.

John Eagerton, Alabama Aeronautics, that there really wasn't much going on but they were making a study as to setting up a regional airport in West Alabama and are trying to earmark some funds. He also reminded everyone that security plans were due to be turned in by March 31, 2008.

President Kilgore then gave his report on the lack of action in Washington, D.C. and what affect that is having on AIP funds. He then appointed a nominating committee; Ray Miller is the Chairman, Ro Lewis and Bill Hutto as members, to nominate officers and members of the Aviation Council for 2008-2009. This report will be made at the Annual Conference on April 16-18, 2008, in Huntsville, AL.

Next, Stephanie gave her Executive Director's Report, about the Conference. She discussed the sponsors as it stood at the time of this meeting; Huntsville International Airport was a presenting sponsor. The Platinum Sponsors we know about are Barge Wagner and we are still looking for two more. The Gold Sponsors, Neal Schaefer and Garver Engineering and Silver Sponsors, GMC. We are still in the process of getting some additional Silver, Gold and Bronze, as well as two more Platinum. We will now give the opportunity to new prospective sponsors. Stephanie then presented the agenda as it was tentatively set up, taking note of the speakers and asking for other ideas.

George Goldtrap will be the dinner speaker on Thursday, April 17th. Fred Sington who is charge of the committee getting the prizes has \$1,500 of which to purchase a number of prizes. There have been a few contacts made and more will be made before the February meeting and everything will be tied up no later than the March meeting.

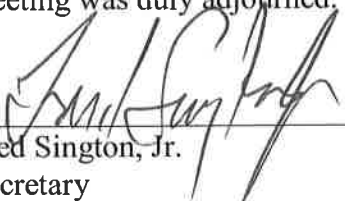
A motion was made and seconded to renewing the D&O insurance. That motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Stephanie then announced that this day, January 16, 2008, the Ozark/Enterprise Aviation School would have a ribbon cutting and she and a couple of the Board of Directors would travel down there. This is a good thing for South Alabama and for Aviation in the State of Alabama.

The next meeting of the Aviation Council was set for February 20, 2008 at the Montgomery Airport at 10:00 a.m.

There being no other business to discuss it was moved and seconded that we adjourn. The meeting was duly adjourned.



Fred Sington, Jr.
Secretary