

**Aviation Council of Alabama
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday March 18, 2009**

Present

Rick Tucker
Buzz Sawyer
Russ Kilgore
Terry Capps
Ray Miller
Stephanie Blankenship

Present

Roosevelt Lewis
William Hutto
Art Morris
Phil Perry

Absent

Fred Sington
Menzo Driskell
Kent Kelly
Wayne Cameron

Meeting was called to order at 10:05AM by President, Rick Tucker.

February minutes were not available.

Treasure's report was given by Art Morris. Motion made by Ray Miller. Second made by Roosevelt Lewis. Motion passed.

ALDOT Report given by Dr. Eagerton. State is providing about \$100,000.00 in matching grants on Phase I, around 20-25 grants. The FAA is giving 13 Alabama airports \$12.2 million as part of the stimulus money. The Decatur airport is getting funds from the F & E program to finish installing the ILS.

Old Business

► Airport Safety Act discussed. The report on SB 466 in the Senate should be heard in committee on April 1st. A few word changes should probably be made to the bill. A packet with the Resolutions from the member airports will be sent to the House and Senate committee members. Rep. Wren has proposed creating "The Permanent Joint Legislative Aviation Advisory Committee". The Council will invite Rep. Wren to a meeting to discuss his Resolution and see how it will help or hurt the airports in Alabama. A copy was given to each member.

► Ag & Industries. A letter has been drafted and ready to send to Ron Sparks Commissioner Ag & Industry. Three options are available.

1. Except Handbook 44 ruling from NIST as it is.
2. Go to Ron Sparks and or the Board of Directors and ask them to take action on the displaying of \$/Gallons on the self service fueling.
3. File suite on "Clarification of Rule Making".

A motion was made by Ray Miller. Second by Bill Hutto to file suite on Clarification of Rule Making. After discussion motion was amended. The Council will give Ron Sparks the opportunity to amend the rule section on \$/Gallons display and if this is not done then the Council will file suite on "Clarification of Rule Making".

► Lobbing trip to DC. Rick Tucker ask the members if they have any items that need to be discussed please let him know. A 2009 Federal Legislative Agenda draft was given to the member. Each Alabama House and Senate member will be given a report listing the economic impact for there district as well as information on Reauthorization, GA Security and Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting proposals.

New Business

► TSA is reported to be sending out a survey to GA Airports asking for information on security procedures at the airport. We should advise them we have a security plan in place with State Aeronautics Bureau.



Executive Report

Ms. Blankenship reported on the 2009 Workshop & Legislative Day. We had a very good turnout for both. After income / expense's it cost the Council \$4,983.82. A 2008-2009 membership list was given out, 41 airports have joined so far. Several usually join at conference time. A conference schedule was given out. All board members have responsibility assignment for the conference.

The next scheduled meeting will be at the Mobile Conference Monday 10:00 AM, April 6, 2009.

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:45.