

Minutes

2003 Annual Meeting

Aviation Council of Alabama

The 2003 Annual Meeting of the Aviation Council of Alabama was held on March 29, 2003, at the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resorts in Gulf Shores, Alabama.

President John Lehrter, A.A.E., called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Joe Mathis gave the invocation; and Mayor Bob Bunting, City of Ozark, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Lehrter thanked the many sponsors recognizing that the success of conference and the organization is dependent upon their support.

President Lehrter then declared a quorum.

Acting Secretary, Bill Hutto, A.A.E., presented the minutes from the last annual meeting dated February 13, 2002. No additions or corrections were noted.

Treasurer Tom Sharp presented the Council's financial statements prepared by Padgett Business Services of Huntsville, Alabama. As of December 31, 2002, the Council's total assets are \$30,965. A copy of the financial statements is attached.

President Lehrter presented his report. He announced that he has chaired meetings for the Board of Directors held during the year and has worked to promote the Council at various events and programs throughout the year. He also stated that the current membership has grown to nearly one hundred (100) members. A copy of the report is attached.

Colonel Roosevelt Lewis, Vice President, gave his report. He stated that he has worked with the Board of Directors in membership recruiting activities and has also represented the Council at several events and functions throughout the state. He has also served as the Nominations Director. A copy of the report is attached.

Mr. Bill Hutto, A.A.E., gave the Secretary's report. He announced that seven (7) meetings had been held since the last Annual Meeting. In addition, it was reported that four (4) issues of the Council's newsletter, *Flight Log*, has been produced. A copy of the report is attached.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Mr. Tom Sharp, Treasurer. He announced that the Treasurer has established banking accounts at AmSouth Bank in Huntsville as directed by the Board of Directors. An accounting service is under contract to maintain and manage the Council's account records and check book. Too, arrangements have been made for an independent audit of all financial records and accounts. A copy of the report is attached.

Ms. Betty Meyer gave a brief report on the conference on behalf of Russ Kilgore, Chairman of the Conference Committee. She announced that attendance at the conference is up over last year, and the overall conference has been a success.

The Chairman of the Bylaws Committee, Mr. Dan Boone, Esq., presented their report. Two bylaw changes are proposed:

1. "To adjust the requirement for quorum for Board of Directors meetings from seven (7) members of the Board to one-half-plus-one of those elected to the Board with one of those present being an officer."
2. "To create a Membership Director position to be designated by the President from those elected as Directors to the Board. The Membership Director will be responsible for coordinating and organizing membership initiatives and contacts for the Council with the help of the full Board. The Membership Director shall serve in this capacity for a term equal to that of the President."

Each proposed bylaw change was voted on separately. Both were unanimously adopted. A copy of the Bylaws Committee Report is attached.

Colonel Lewis, Chairman of the Nominations Committee, read the committee's proposed list of officers and directors:

Officers

President	John Lehrter, A.A.E.
Vice President	Colonel Roosevelt Lewis
Secretary	Bill Hutto, A.A.E.
Treasurer	Tom Sharp

Director, reelection

Dan Boone
Kent Kelly
Russ Kilgore
Betty Meyer
Phil Perry

Director, fill vacancies

Lu Ann Hayes

Bill Parker

A member of the Council asked how long are the Board of Directors' terms. President Lehrter answered the question by stating that the terms are for three (3) years.

Under New Business, Joe Mathis re-announced the proposed slate of officers and asked if there are any nominations from the floor for any of the officer positions. Hearing none, Mr. Mathis led the membership in voting separately for each officer. All votes were unanimous.

President Lehrter made some closing announcements:

1. He said that date and place of next year's conference is yet to be determined; he requested comments that may be helpful in planning the event.
2. He asked the membership to contact their local legislators in support of HB 122.
3. He recognized Ms. Betty Meyer for her continued, outstanding contributions to the Council.

Treasurer Tom Sharp thanked Ms. Robin Jones for her valuable volunteer service to the Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

John B. Lehrter, A.A.E.
President

William T. Hutto, Jr., A.A.E
Secretary