

**Aviation Council of Alabama, Inc.  
Monthly Board of Directors Meeting  
Battle House Renaissance Mobile Hotel & Spa  
Mobile, Alabama  
September 17, 2018**

**MINUTES (DRAFT)**

**Board Members Present:**

Jed Blackwell	Col. Roosevelt Lewis	Jeff Powell
Jerry Cofield	Ray Miller	Todd Storey
Thomas Hughes	Art Morris III	Courtney Tomberlin
Nikki Jordan	Leslie Williams-Murray	Rick Tucker
Russ Kilgore		

**Board Members Absent:**

Thomas Day, Menzo Driskell

**Quorum:**

Present

**Others Present:**

Lynn Weldon                      Events Director, The Aviation Council of Alabama

**Call to Order:**

President Jed Blackwell called the meeting to order at 8:27 a.m.

**Recognition of Guests & Visitors:**

None

**Minutes:**

President Jed Blackwell presented the minutes from the ACA Board of Directors Meeting, 08/15/18, to the Board for approval.

Motion to approve minutes as corrected was made by Roosevelt Lewis, second by Jeff Powell. Motion unanimously approved.

**Committee Reports:**

A. Finance/Administration Report:

Treasurer and Committee Chair, Thomas Hughes, reported that the ACA monthly Financial Report reflects a balance through August 31, 2018 and does not show balances due for conference sponsorships. There are two (2) sponsors where payments are still outstanding.

Motion to approve Financial Report was made by Ray Miller, second by Leslie Williams-Murray. Motion unanimously approved.

B. Workshop/Annual Meeting Committee Report:

Committee Chair, Russ Kilgore, and Events Director, Lynn Weldon reported to the Board that the 2018 Conference and Annual Meeting are shaping up to be a great event. There are several speakers with wide backgrounds/experience that will be presenting at this year's conference. A few speakers were unable to attend due to hurricane Florence making land fall on the east coast of the United States. Minor adjustments to the conference agenda were made to make up for absences. Rick Tucker recommended that we substitute a General Aviation Airports round table discussion to fill time slots in the agenda. The number of people registered this year is tracking close to last year's conference. Sponsorships and exhibitor numbers look very good also.

C. Legislative Committee Report:

Committee Chair, Rick Tucker, reported on Supplement Grant Funding available to airports. Through research only three (3) airports in Alabama and Mississippi have filed for grants. The first phase of funding was only available to airports on the Priority List. Those airports had to have ready to go, designed, bid, etc., to be considered for funding. The next phase of funding does not necessarily require airports to have projects that are designed, bid, etc., or on the Priority List to be considered for funding. We need to get word out to all airports and consultants that this funding is available. Rick will get the latest information regarding Supplemental Funding so that it can be posted on the ACA website.

D. Website Committee Report:

Committee Chair, Todd Storey, reported that the website is being kept up to date by Events Director Lynn Weldon. The website also has a new look. There are a few errors on the website, but these will be corrected after the start of the fiscal year.

E. Membership Committee Report:

Committee Chair, Nikki Jordan, reported that additional membership certificates need to be printed. She has been working with several airports that are past members of ACA to see if she can get them to rejoin the organization. Several other Board members mentioned that they are also working with past membership to rejoin the organization.

F. Academic Relations Committee Report:

Committee Chair, Jerry Cofield, reported to the Board that the recipient of the first ACA Scholarship has obtained an Airframe & Powerplant Certificate. We still need donations if ACA is going to continue to sponsor scholarships.

G. Liaison / Advisory Committee Report:

Committee Chair, Courtney Tomberlin, will role of the Board as the Corporate Member from the Advisory Committee. President Jeb Blackwell recommended that Bobby Odom, Michael Baker International, be placed on the Advisory Committee and that his name be presented to membership to serve on the Board as the Corporate Member. Jed then named the six (6) member companies that are make-up the Advisory Committee. They are Barge, Croy, Garver, GMC, Michael Baker, Neel-Schaffer and Volkert.

**President's Report:**

President and Committee Chairman Jed Blackwell thanked committee members Jerry Cofield, Russ Kilgore, and Art Morris for their service on the committee. He then presented the following names of individuals to membership to be considered for Officers to the Board of Directors for 2018-2019:

President: Mr. Todd Storey, Auburn  
Vice-President: Mr. Thomas Hughes  
Secretary: Mr. Jeff Powell, Tuscaloosa  
Treasurer: Ms. Leslie Williams-Murray, Birmingham

Jed then presented to Board members the following names of individuals to be considered for re-appointment to the Board of Directors. These appointments will be for three (3) year terms expiring September 2021.

1. Ms. Nikki Jordan
2. Mr. Rick Tucker

There was a motion made to accept the slate of Directors and Officers and present them to membership for approval at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Motion was made by Russ Kilgore, second by Roosevelt Lewis. Motion unanimously approved.

Jed then informed Board members that there are two (2) positions being vacated by the following Board members whose terms will expire. He will call for nominations from the floor at the Annual Membership Meeting to fill these Board positions.

1. Jed Blackwell
2. Menzo Driskell

Jed recommended re-establishment of the Executive Director Position and elimination of the Financial Director and Events Director positions. He then recommended Lynn Weldon to fill the Executive Director Position with annual compensation to be that of the Financial Director and Event Director Positions combined. Also recommended was to allow the Executive Director to hire a part-time staff member to assist when necessary.

Motion to approve re-establishing the Executive Director position along with recommended compensation rate was made by Ray Miller, second by Rick Tucker. Motion unanimously approved.

**Date/Time for Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Board will be held on **Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.** The location of the next meeting will be announced at a later date.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Russ Kilgore, second by Ray Miller. Motion unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Todd A. Storey  
Vice President  
ACA Board of Directors

10/17/18  
Date