

**Aviation Council of Alabama
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday February 26, 2009**

Present

Rick Tucker
Buzz Sawyer
Russ Kilgore
Art Morris
Ray Miller
Phil Perry
Terry Capps
Stephanie Blankenship

Absent

Roosevelt Lewis
William Hutto
Kent Kelly
Menzo Driskell
Fred Sington
Wayne Cameron

Meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM by President, Rick Tucker.

Ray Miller made a motion to accept the January 21st, 2009 minutes. Second made by Buzz Sawyer. Motion passed.

Treasure's report was given by Art Morris. Two CD's were cashed in and the first payment was made to Lobbyist. January 31st, 2009 balance sheet was presented as well as the actual vs budget for 2008/2009. Ray Miller made a motion to accept the January 31st, 2009 balance sheet and the 2008/2009 budget. Second made by Russ Kilgore. Motion passed.

Old Business

- ▶ Airport Safety Act discussed. Suggested to present HB 409 to the Senate before the House due to some powerful Senator's could send a strong message to the House to continue on with this bill.
- ▶ Ag & Industries. Travis Capps will get a list of concerns so Stephanie can get this list to Mr. Glen Zorn Deputy Commissioner.
- ▶ Workshop and the Legislative reception had a very good turn out. We had around 30 House and Senate members attend.
- ▶ Lobbng trip to DC. Rick Tucker ask the members if they have any items that need to be discussed please let him know. Entitlements were discussed and the amount should be increased to \$250,000. Also TSA report shows GA airports no threat to security, yet they are proposing many changes to security that would incur a great expense to GA as well as air carrier airports.

► Nominating Committee. Russ Kilgore gave the committee's report nominating the following:

President: Fred Sington
Vice President: Menzo Driskell
Secretary: Art Morris
Treasure: Terry Capps

Russ also reported that the nominating committee re-appoint the following whose term expires this year:

Rick Tucker
Fred Sington
Terry Capps
Phil Perry

Executive Report

Ms. Blankenship reported that the Birmingham Airport passed a resolution supporting the Aviation Council's Airport's Safety Act, now HB409. Stephanie will get a copy of this resolution to all Birmingham/Jefferson County House and Senate members.

Stephanie also reported there are a few sponsorships open for the Conference in April. The program is complete and packets are being mailed to members and airports.

Discussed also was having a fall conference in 2010 and a spring workshop. Also discussed was presenting an award again this year at the Conference. Rick Tucker ask that we have a list of persons to vote on at the March meeting. Also discussed was the possibility of having some of our airports sponsor the workshop next year.

The next scheduled meeting will be at the Montgomery Airport March 18th, 2009 at 10:00 AM.

Having no further business, Russ Kilgore made a motion to adjourn and a second was made by Ray Miller. Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Menzo W. Driskell