

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF WICHITA
WICHITA AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD**

Monday, July 12, 2010

Present: Charles Fletcher, Ron Estes, U.L. Gooch, Dwight Greenlee, Willis Heck, David Murfin, Rebecca Pilshaw, Thomas Pryor, Dr. Thom Rosenberg, Brent Wooten

Absent: John Hennessy, Kevin Myles, Bill Ward

Airport Staff: Victor White, Brad Christopher, Kelly Fabrizius, Traci Nichols, John Oswald, Valerie Wise, Jean Zoglman

City Staff: Joe Allen Lang, Chief Deputy City Attorney

Others: Michael Carter, AECOM
David Dewhirst, Sabris Corporation

Chairman Fletcher called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Public Agenda

David Dewhirst, Sabris Corporation, introduced himself and said he would like to advise the Board regarding a design flaw in the Administration Building at Jabara Airport in that it does not have a suitable meeting room for flight instructors to hold training classes. There is a conference room in the building, however Mr. Dewhirst indicated that he had met with Marvin Autry and is not able to use the conference room due to Mr. Autry's concern that in the past the room had been left in unfavorable circumstances and therefore the room is now locked.

Mr. Dewhirst indicated that there are five steps that he foresees would be necessary to alleviate this problem. First, he would like the Advisory Board to confirm that there is a need for such a room. Second, it would be necessary to get Mr. Autry's approval. Third, an architectural study would have to be done to determine the correct location and size of the room. Fourth, bids would need to be received for the construction. The last step would be the actual construction of the room. Mr. Dewhirst was asked who would pay for this construction, and if he would pay to lease it. He said he did not know who should be responsible, but that probably the airport should cover the cost.

Dr. Rosenberg asked why the conference room could not be used for the purpose of conducting classes. Mr. Dewhirst said he would need to speak with Mr. Autry regarding that.

Mr. Greenlee asked how many people would generally be involved in the training sessions. Mr. Dewhirst said two to four. Mr. Greenlee asked about the possibility of using an old building to

the north of the Administration Building. Mr. Oswald said he thought it would take extensive remodeling for that building to be usable.

Mr. White indicated that staff could look into the matter. There may be potential use in the old TELCO Building or the old Administration Building. There is also the possibility of renting out the conference room in the Administration Building. Chairman Fletcher added that the situation should also be discussed with Mr. Autry. After the matter has been looked into, staff will advise Mr. Dewhirst of their findings.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Heck to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2010 Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report

Mr. White advised that he had been on leave the past week and does not have any items to provide other than an announcement regarding Joe Lang's upcoming retirement. This will be Mr. Lang's last meeting as the Airport's legal counsel and from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on July 21st there will be a reception held to honor him in the City Hall Board Room which the Board is invited to. We would like to thank Mr. Lang for his many years of advising and serving the Department of Airports as well as the Wichita Airport Authority and Wichita Airport Advisory Board.

ACT 3 Project Update

Michael Carter, AECOM, presented to the Board a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on the current schedule, upcoming meetings and photos to reflect the recent changes from construction.

Mr. White reported that we are still in a holding mode on the project while an evaluation is being conducted by the airport's financial consultant, who is reviewing the Risk Assessment report that was prepared by the City's Finance Department. That review process should be completed within the next week or two, however it does not appear that it will be in time for the Financial Workshop that was tentatively scheduled for July 27th, therefore the workshop will more than likely get postponed.

Chairman Fletcher asked about the cost impact of delaying the project. Mr. Carter said that the indexes reflect that at this point construction costs are still declining, although not at as fast a rate as they were. Right now would be an optimal time to bid the project.

Mr. Heck asked if we are having to pay penalties due to the delay in moving forward with the project. Mr. White said the main concern is that the longer we wait, the more the project will cost. The Airport Authority is extending its contract with AECOM as Program Manager for an additional six months while we are waiting for a decision.

Chairman Fletcher asked if the cost of bonds was also increasing. Mrs. Zoglman said we know the rates are low now, although it is uncertain where they will be three months or twelve months from now.

Mr. Wooten asked what the status was on the Request for Proposals for the design of the parking garage. Mr. White said we have received the proposals and scheduled interviews, although they are currently being postponed until after the City Council makes a decision on the terminal project.

Other Business

Mr. White added that Flight Safety International is currently working on two projects at Mid-Continent Airport. The first is the Flight Training Simulator Facility which is currently on hold, however they are also planning a Cessna Citation Maintenance Facility project which will be used for hands on practical training solely for the Cessna Citation. The location for that will be the former Wichita Area Technical College, who will vacate the premises this fall when the National Center for Aviation Training opens up at Jabara.

Mrs. Pilshaw commented that she and Bill Ward attended the meeting on the art work planned for the new terminal building and she was very impressed with the concept that the artist unveiled.

The next WAAB meeting will be Monday, August 2, 2010 at 2:30 p.m. At the meeting the Board will hold its annual election of officers and determine the schedule of upcoming meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Kelly Fabrizius, Clerk