

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF WICHITA
WICHITA AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, February 1, 2016

Present: David Eslinger, Joseph Ellzey, Charles Fletcher, Dwight Greenlee, Rich Kerschen, John Hennessy, Carl Koster, Tom Pryor, Dr. Thom Rosenberg, Ron Ryan, Bill Ward, Brent Wooten

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

City Staff: Jay Hinkel, Deputy City Attorney

Guests: Shardaa Gray, KSN, Channel 3
Lonny Wright

Chairman Wooten called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m. and asked if anyone was present to speak on the public agenda. No one came forward to speak.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Hennessy and second by Mr. Greenlee, to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2016 Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report – Victor White

Last week the Airport Terminal Project received the Award of Excellence from the Associated General Contractors of Kansas at their statewide award ceremony. The Judges Choice Award was awarded to Key-Walbridge in recognition of the construction of the Terminal as the top construction achievement in the state.

On February 5th the Airport will ask for approval from City Council to enter into a contract with Raiser (Uber). This will provide more options for transportation to the Airport's customers.

The FAA has a proposal at 57 airports around the country, including Eisenhower National Airport, to eliminate the contract Weather Observer Program. This program has been handled by a private firm under contract to the FAA for many years. The program includes monitoring automated equipment that collects weather data and supplementing it with a human weather observer who physically goes outside at regular intervals to confirm the accuracy of the data. The information is reported to FAA air traffic control who then disseminates that information to the pilot community. Pilots make decisions based on these reports. The FAA has scheduled a 'Users Group' meeting later this week to present their proposal. The Airport will attend and gather information so as to make a decision on whether to support or object to this change.

Project Updates – John Oswald

Mr. Oswald presented a power point presentation entitled Existing Terminal Demolition and Reconstruction of Terminal Apron – Phase 4B. The Power point displayed the removal of the last of the walls for asbestos abatement, the snow melt system for the New Terminal building, and the building going up for LeaseCorp Hangar #3.

A brief video of the East Concourse being demolished was also shown.

Air Service Development Updates – Valerie Wise

Mrs. Wise displayed a new Television Ad produced by Copp Media which will run during Wichita State and K-State games.

All members were given a packet with statistical charts comparing 2014 and 2015 passenger traffic. Passengers increased almost 2.5% over 2014. Average Load Factors have remained close to the same.

Other Business

At 3:01 a motion was made to go into executive session, to come out no earlier than 3:10 p.m. by Dr. Rosenberg, 2nd by Mr. Greenlee. No action was taken.

The next WAAB meeting will be Monday, March 7, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 3:50 p.m. by Mr. Fletcher, 2nd by Mr. Koster

Leah Gisick, Clerk