

MINUTES
SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
April 24, 2013
10:00 a.m., Columbia, South Carolina

Commission Members in Attendance

Delphin A. Gantt, Jr., Chairman At-large
Frank W. Young, M. D. District 2
John R. Hunt, M. D., District 3
Matthew J. Kappel, Esq., District 4
Barry G. Avent, Secretary & District 5
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, Vice-Chairman & District 6

Aeronautics Staff in Attendance

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director
Revé Richardson, Recording Secretary
James Stephens, Program Manager

Commission Member Absent

Gerald E. Harmon, M.D., District 1

Visitors:

Bud Coward, Aiken County

Visitors (Cont'd)

Don Purcell, SCAA

Welcome & Call to Order

Chairman Gantt called the meeting to order and announced a quorum in attendance. He welcomed everyone and requested *Secretary Avent* give the invocation. *Chairman Gantt* asked Mr. Werts to introduce our guests. Mr. Werts introduced Mr. Purcell joining us from the SCAA and Mr. Coward former Commissioner.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Gantt presented the minutes of the March 28, 2013 Commission meeting for approval. *Vice-Chairman Dabney* made a Motion the minutes be approved as written and presented, *Commissioner Young* seconded, and all approved.

Financial, Budget, Executive Director's Reports & Aeronautics Update

Aviation Fuel Sales Report and Flight Operations Report were accepted as presented.

Chairman Gantt requested Mr. Werts present the financial reports and the Legislative update. Mr. Werts stated he had sent Budget responses to Senate Finance as requested. He advised the Commission that he and Mr. Coward would attend the Proviso meetings scheduled for May 21-23. Both Senate and House recommendation is to use State Aviation Fund in support of Columbia Metro/SCAC apron rehabilitation. Budget indicates that with 75 percent of year behind us revenues are over projections.

Mr. Werts discussed the Aviation Fund revenues, which were down considerably in February and he still projects Aviation Fund revenues to be down approximately fifteen percent for the year.

Projects for Consideration

None presented.

Presentation by SCAA

Mr. Werts called on Mr. Purcell of the SCAA to update the Commission on the Passport Program for pilots. Mr. Purcell presented the new poster and trifold to the Commission to replace what was presented at the March Commission meeting as promised.

District Reports

District 2 – Commissioner Young – Discussed the safety inspection letter he received about Barnwell Airport and stated that he would like to go along with Mr. Baker on his inspections to airports in his district to see the issues and meet the airport personnel. He would appreciate Mr. Baker scheduling his visit(s) to the airports with him (other Commissioners agreed they would like to be informed of scheduled inspections of their airports on the chance they could attend). Mr. Werts told *Commissioner Young* that SCAC would be holding a meeting on strategic planning for Barnwell and would like him in attendance. He will be working with him on scheduling this meeting.

District 3 – Commissioner Hunt – Stated he would be visiting Greenwood County Airport following today's meeting to meet with Ms. Corwin concerning Greenwood's upcoming Airshow and Expo on June 22nd. Also, he said Greenwood would like to activate their second runway while the primary is being rehabilitated.

District 4 – Commissioner Kappel – Discussed the tower shutdown at Donaldson Field and that this situation is being closely watched. Also, he mentioned the upcoming events at Greenville Downtown Airport to benefit the new playground by the café and asked everyone to consider attending one or both of them.

- Party Down for the Playground May 4th
- Take Flight Five K May 25th

District 5 – Secretary Avent – Presented "Thank you" from Lancaster County.

District 6 – Vice-Chairman Dabney – Stated that Jim Hamilton/L. B Owens Airport (Hamilton/Owens) Taxiway "A" Extension was completed. Hamilton/Owens held an event for Mr. Ureck a few weeks ago which raised \$4,200 and the Curtiss/Wright Hangar sale is looking very good at this time. He also announced that the local EAA Chapter hit 10,000 young eagle flights and that an historic monument is to be located in the Quonset hut area.

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New/Other Business

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 30, 2013 at The Challenger Learning Center in Columbia at 10:00 a.m.

Executive Session

Chairman Gantt requested the Commission go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

Secretary Avent made a **Motion** for the Commission to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. *Vice-Chairman Dabney* seconded and all approved.

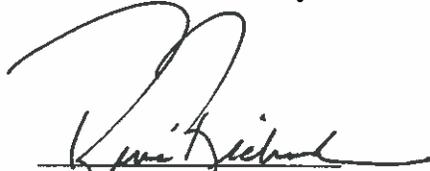
Following the Executive Session, the Commission returned to open session and announced that no action was taken.

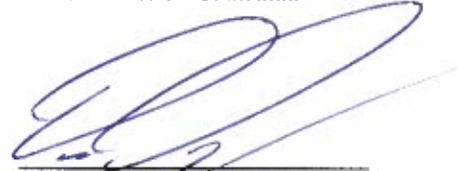
Adjournment

There being no further business, *Secretary Avent* moved the meeting be adjourned, *Vice-Chairman Dabney* seconded, and all approved.


Barry G. Avent
Commission Secretary


Delphin A. Gantt, Jr.
Commission Chairman


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Commission Vice-Chairman

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