

MINUTES
SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
December 18, 2009
Conference Call 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Commission Members in Attendance

Gregg A. Malphrus, Chairman, At-large
William M. McKown, District 1 & Vice-Chairman
Raymond E. McKay, Jr., District 2 & Secretary
Ira E. "Bud" Coward II, District 3
Joshua D. Houston, District 4
Barry G. Avent, District 5
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, District 6

Aeronautics Staff in Attendance

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director
Revé Richardson, Recording Secretary

Visitors in Attendance on Call

Senator Phil P. Leventis
Jim Hamilton

Welcome and Roll Call

Chairman Malphrus welcomed everyone and called the roll of those in attendance.

Aeronautics Strategic Planning

Mr. Hamilton brought everyone up to date on his meeting with the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and Senator Leventis on December 14th. Senator Leventis discussed the value of SCAC and aviation. Senator Leventis stated both he and Senator Leatherman fully support aviation and the need for the rewrite of Title 55; however, both feel 2011 is the time for its submittal not this year. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Commission to continue the work on Title 55 for submittal in 2011 to be sure we have everything in the Title in pristine condition before submittal, continue under the umbrella of the State Budget and Control Board, and focus on setting priorities for Aeronautics. Mr. Werts is to compile a list of all items in Title 55 which still need to be addressed and forward them to the Commissioners. In this way, nothing will be left undone.

Mandated 5% Budget Cut

Mr. Werts gave an update on where SCAC stands since the mandated five percent budget cut occurred last week. The Commissioners requested a revised budget be created by Mr. Werts for presentation at the next Commission meeting outlining the programs that will be impacted and in what order.

It was agreed that Mr. Werts would make his speech at the SCAA conference be a major message to Airport Sponsors that aviation is important to the state. He will send a draft of his speech to the Commissioners for review and comments.

Meeting Schedule

In an effort to save on travel expense, the Commission decided instead of holding meetings in January and February, they would hold a meeting in conjunction with the SCAA Conference in Myrtle Beach in February. The conference dates are Wednesday, February 10-12 and Ms. Richardson will send out an email suggesting two or three meeting times during those dates to see which will be best with the Commissioners.

Adjournment

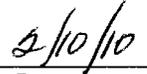
There being no further business, *Commissioner Dabney* moved the meeting be adjourned, *Commissioner Coward* seconded, all approved, and the call was concluded.

Raymond E. McKay, Jr., JD, CPA
Commission Secretary


Revé M. Richardson
Commission Recording Secretary


Gregg A. Malphrus
Commission Chairman

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Commission Vice-Chairman


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