



## MINUTES

### SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

THURSDAY JANUARY 8, 2026

#### **Commission Members in Attendance (VIA Zoom)**

Delphin Gantt, Jr., Chairman  
Denise Bryan, C.M., District 2  
Skeets Cooper, District 3  
Terry Connorton, District 4  
Chad McGowan, Esq., District 5  
Marco Cavazzoni, District 6  
Chris Bethea, District 7  
Jim Hamilton, Commissioner Emeritus  
Bud Coward, Commissioner Emeritus

#### **Aeronautics Staff in Attendance**

Gary Siegfried, Executive Director  
John Hodge, SCAC Chief Counsel

#### **Welcome & Call to Order**

Chairman Gantt called the meeting to order at 3:33 PM, welcomed everyone, and announced a quorum in attendance.

#### **Invocation and Introductions**

The invocation was given by Chairman Gantt.

#### **Enter Executive Session**

Because the purpose of this special meeting is to discuss a personnel matter, formal discussions will take place in executive session.

Chairman Gantt reminded Commissioners in attendance that they cannot discuss or divulge information shared during executive session with anyone outside the discussion. Doing so would be a violation of state law.

Commissioner Cavazzoni made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the Executive Director position. Commissioner Bryan seconded the motion, and it was passed with unanimous consent.

The Commission entered executive session.

### **Return to Regular Session**

Following executive session, Commissioner Cavazzoni made a motion to return the meeting to regular session. Commissioner Connorton seconded the motion, and it was passed with unanimous consent. The Commission returned to regular session at approximately 3:55 PM.

Chairman Gantt asked if there was a motion related to discussion that occurred during executive session.

Commissioner Bryan made a motion that the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission rescind the employment offer previously extended to the candidate for the position of Executive Director. Commissioner Connorton seconded the motion.

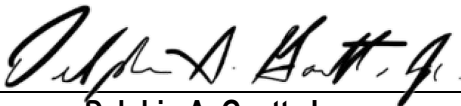
Chairman Gantt asked if there was further discussion. Hearing none, Commissioner Gantt asked for a vote and the motion was approved with unanimous consent.

### **Adjournment**

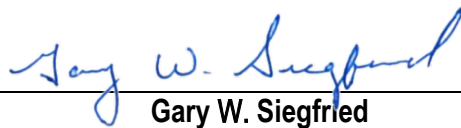
Chairman Gantt thanked all attendees for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend this meeting. He asked if there was any other business that needed attention and if not requested a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Cooper made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cavazzoni seconded, and the motion approved with unanimous consent.

The January 8th, 2026 special meeting of the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission was adjourned at approximately 4:01 PM.



Delphin A. Gantt, Jr.  
Chairman



Gary W. Siegfried  
Executive Director

January 8, 2026

Date