

San Joaquin County Aviation Advisory Committee (CAAC) Regular Monthly Meeting (in person) May 28, 2024, Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Chairman Trezza.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Chairman Trezza, Vice Chair Wolfe, Mark Plovnick, Steve DeBrum, David

Robb

Members Absent: Ricky Gill, Wes Rhea, Jaime Medina, Spencer Lockwood, Supervisor Patti,

Supervisor Villapudua.

County Staff Present: Richard Sokol, Helene Nussbaumer, Ani Thomas, Adam Brucker.

Members of the Public: None

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of April 23, 2024.

Motion: Wolfe; Second: DeBrum. Motion carried 5-0.

I. Discussion Items

- **A.** The committee conferred about the perishable air cargo business development opportunity. Sokol updated that conversations are evolving with a potential logistics consultant from the East Coast.
- **B.** The committee discussed the long- term and short-term goals of the airport capital improvement program. Sokol reported that the airport is working with the Purchasing Department to commence two upgrade projects- one each for the terminal building and the airfield. The parking lot security upgrade project will make the airport a more inviting, comfortable, and safe space.
- **C.** Sokol listed the status update of multiple airport projects. The list includes Lindbergh Street rebuild and seal coating of roads and flight school ramp. The projects provide a significantly refreshed appearance to the airport. Wolfe recommended that the AOPA platform be utilized to communicate the airport improvements to the aviation community.
- **D.** Sokol expressed optimism about airline service development. At the Jumpstart 2024 conference, Sokol and Embark Aviation conducted high level conversations with prominent airline companies, both regional and international. Several airlines expressed interest in future strategic partnerships with Stockton airport.
- **E.** The committee deliberated on the business savvy of acquiring land for the airport's growth vision.
- **F.** Sokol informed about the expression of interest from an alternate energy aviation power plant company to use Stockton airport premises as a research facility. The company is studying the commercial feasibility of liquid hydrogen as a sustainable aviation fuel.



II. Action Items

(Discussion & Decision to Recommend)

None

III. Communications

None.

IV. Review of Written Requests for Future Agenda Items

None.

V. <u>Public Comment</u> (Must complete Public Comment Form)

None

VI. Miscellaneous

- **A.** Sokol reported that all authorized positions on the airport staff will be filled by June 2024, including two Crafts Worker III positions.
- **B.** The new Marketing & Business Development Administrator will be at the next meeting.

VII. <u>Topics for Next Agenda</u>

- A. Real estate
- B. Aviation day
- C. Fixed base services
- D. Customs

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6.03 p.m.

Motion: DeBrum; Second: Wolfe. Motion carried 5-0.

Next Regular Meeting: June 25, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. This meeting will be in person.