Airport Authority Meeting Summary

Date: November 18, 2025

Time: 1:30 PM

Location: Airport Authority Conference Room.

Board Members Present: Beth Gendler, Jason Dyken, Jerry Johnson, Craig Olmstead

Board Members Absent: Joe Garris

Staff Members Present: Jesse Fosnaugh, Marisa Montgomery, Shawnda Rebain, Tim Garner, Graham Gardner

City Representatives Present: Jon Walker

Tenants Present: Dave Kucko, Jason Sanders, Dan Netemeyer

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the regular scheduled meeting of the Board of October 28, 2025, were presented. J. Dyken moved to approve the minutes, seconded by B. Gendler. Upon the question, all those officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The Director's Report highlighted Allegiant's announcement of five new flight routes to Omaha, Springfield, Oklahoma City, Louisville, and Huntsville, beginning in late May. The Director emphasized the significance of the intrastate route to Huntsville, noting Allegiant's intent to become Alabama's airline.

Upcoming events include the airport's Christmas party on December 16, the FAA inspection scheduled for March 23–25, and a proposed board retreat on January 20–21 for strategic planning. TSA staff received community support during a prolonged pay gap, and the airport will participate in the city's Angel Tree toy drive.

Operational updates included a military aircraft training incident that caused public concern but was clarified as routine. The inaugural flight to Nashville is scheduled with celebratory events. Seasonal flight adjustments were noted, with Arkansas flights temporarily suspended and Kansas City flights resuming in April. The airport now supports 30 weekly flights.

Marketing efforts have yielded strong engagement, with 29,000 enplanements in October and inaugural load factors for Appleton and Des Moines at 63.2% and 65%, respectively. Fuel flowage increased significantly year-over-year, reaching 1.25 million gallons in October.

Capital projects are progressing, including the terminal expansion design, QTA construction, perimeter road, and fill lot development. The FAA ATP grant is in review, and cost estimating for the terminal is scheduled for January. The branding and imaging committee will begin work next week.

Financial reports showed GA revenues exceeding budget, though expenses were higher due to payroll and repairs. Terminal operations posted a net loss of $262,000, better than the budgeted $417,000. The airport is $190,000 ahead of budget projections. Loans and grants include a $1.1M operating loan and a $3.8M capital loan from the city, with a $440K FAA grant pending.

The board discussed the need for a master plan update, noting the current plan from 2016 is outdated. An RFQ process will be initiated to select a planning firm. Concerns were raised about terminal capacity due to Allegiant's scheduling of flights less than 90 minutes apart. Potential solutions include modular gate units, expanded waiting areas, and improved curbside traffic management.

The meeting concluded with discussions on future infrastructure needs, including a north-side taxiway to support economic development. The board emphasized the importance of strategic planning and maintaining passenger convenience.

Financials:

J. Fosnaugh asked the board to approve the financials for the month of September 2025. J. Dyken made a motion to approve the financial statements for the month of September 2025, seconded by J. Johnson upon the question, all those officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried

Board Actions:

1. **Resolution 952-25-Approve an Agreement with Compass Media**: A Resolution to Approve an agreement with Compass media for social media and website services. B. Gendler made a motion to approve Resolution 952-25 seconded by J. Johnson. Upon the question, all other officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

2. **Resolution 953-25 Approve a contract with Informa Princeton LLC**: A Resolution to approve a contract with Informa Princeton LLC. J. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 953-25 seconded by J. Dyken. Upon the question, all other officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

3. **Resolution 954-25 Approving a contract with uAvionix:** A Resolution to approve a uAvionix for ADSB. J. Dyken made a motion to approve Resolution 954-25 seconded by J.

Johnson. Upon the question, all other officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

4. **Resolution 955-25 DBT Transportation**: A Resolution to approve a maintenance contract with DBT Transportation services for the AWOS. J. Dyken made a motion to approve Resolution 955-25 seconded by J. Johnson. Upon the question, all other officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

5. **Resolution 956-25 Approve the MOU**: A Resolution to approve an MOU with the City of Gulf Shores and the Airport Authority. J. Dyken made a motion to approve Resolution 956-25 seconded by B. Gendler. Upon the question, all other officials present voted in favor of the motion. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Whereupon there being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by J. Dyken, seconded by B. Gendler. The meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
SECRETARY