

**ST CLOUD REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

March 10, 2014

The meeting of the St. Cloud Regional Airport Advisory Board was called to order at 4:35 pm.

I. Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Marc Ree – Vice Chair
Steve Anderson – Secretary

Mahesh Kumar
Marc Ree

Liaisons and Guests Present:

Bill Towle – Airport Director
Kathi Sims – Haven Township
Leigh Lenzmeier – Stearns County
Bruce Anderson – Sherburne County

Paul Strege – Mead & Hunt
Wade Olson – AASF Faculty
Mark Priglmeier – Hangar Tenant
Greg Bednark – Hangar Tenant

II. Minutes

No quorum was present initially and the group did not return to minute approval on the agenda after a quorum was present.

III. Additions to the Agenda

IV. ATC Update/Traffic Counts

- a. Traffic numbers up slightly from same month last year.

V. Old Business

a. Air Service Update

- Still on for United Express (Skywest) to start service to Chicago May 6th, 2014.
 - Marketing effort is underway especially targeting area businesses. GSDC is leading the marketing effort locally.
 - Still working on frequent/business travelers to receive deals/status with United as they do with other carriers.
 - The St. Cloud Air Service Consultant [Forecast] is also monitoring fares to make sure they stay in a good range.
- Allegiant
 - Load factors remain good for Mesa.
 - Orlando service is suspended but plan is for a longer service season next year.
- Sun Country continues to run regular charters to NV, usually twice a month.

- Parking
 - Parking lots remain quite full. Temporary parking is being used.
- b. Capital Projects Update
 - Runway 13/31 extension and improvement should not impact air service.
 - 5/23 resurface project will start within two months.
 - New Hangar Project
 - Starting cement work
 - Working on expanding and improving parking.
 - Need millwork from 5/23 project.
 - Pay parking was discussed.
- c. Auto Fuel Tank
 - Small group of local pilots interested in an auto fuel tank on the airport.
 - FBO not interested in selling auto fuel.

VI. New Business

- STC Airport in proposed MN Legislation
 - Proposed bills related to noise trying to move MSP air traffic to places like St. Cloud.

VII. Other Business

- Proposed General Aviation user fees and changes in AIP program and PFC's.
 - Change in AIP and PFC programs could be positive for an STC-type airport.
- Open Airport Board position
 - Still no movement.

VIII. Next Board Meeting – April 14, 2014

XI. Adjourned 6:20 pm.

Steve Anderson, Secretary

cc: Airport Advisory Board Members
Airport Directors Office