



**August 26, 2011
Centennial Airport
Englewood, CO**

Board Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Harold Patton	Chairman
Dale Hancock	Vice-Chair
Dennis Heap	Secretary
Louis Spera	
Joseph Thibodeau	
Dave Ubell	
Debra Wilcox	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dave Gordon	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Christine Eldridge	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Greg Goldman	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
TK Gwin	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
John Sweeney	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Kaitlyn Westendorf	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Todd Abbots	FAA – Centennial Airport Tower Manager
Richard Baker	Fremont County
Walt Barbo	Colorado Pilots Association
Michael Fronapfel	Centennial Airport
Todd Green	Centennial Airport
Karen Patton	
Bill Payne	William E Payne & Associates

1. Meeting commenced at 10:00 A.M. Harold Patton took a moment to thank the Board and Division for the support given to him over the last year, in regard to some personal matters.

Robert Olislagers welcomed the Board to Centennial Airport.

2. ***APPROVAL OF CAB MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 24, 2011***

Harold Patton advised the Board that he would entertain a MOTION to approve the minutes from the CAB meeting on June 24th. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve the minutes and Louis Spera seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

3. ***AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA***

Joe Thibodeau wanted to brief the Board that the Colorado Pilots Association has requested that he serve as the President of the association. Joe wanted to disclose this to the Board as part of public record and asked that the Board give this some thought as to whether it may or may not be a conflict. Harold stated that this topic can be discussed later in the meeting.

4. ***BOARD MEMBER REPORTS***

Debra Wilcox said that her arm is on the mend and also commented on the success of the Air Adventure event in Oshkosh this summer. Dave Ubell told the Board that the annual Montrose Airport Appreciation Days will go on as planned, after it was initially in danger of not happening this year, due to the high cost of the thru-the-fence litigation. Dennis Heap informed the Board of the recent events and accomplishments at the Front Range Airport. Dale Hancock gave a briefing of the Airfare at the Garfield Regional Airport that took place in July and the upcoming Fly-In, to take place in September. Joe Thibodeau recently co-sponsored Penny Hamilton and John Penney for induction into the Aviation Hall of Fame. Joe will also participate in the Morgan Adams Cancer Fundraiser. Louis Spera gave a brief update on the runway construction at Pueblo Memorial Airport, as well as the resolved power line issue.

5. ***PUBLIC COMMENTS***

There were no public comments.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT – DAVE GORDON

Dave Gordon referred to a memo that was given to the Board which outlined some of the activities and issues at the Division since the last meeting. Dave briefed the Board on his attendance at the EAA Oshkosh event last month. Dave informed the Board that he will be meeting with Ken Lund, who is the new Director of Colorado Economic Development and International Trade. Dale Hancock and Debra Wilcox expressed interest in attending the meeting with Dave. In conclusion, Dave briefed the Board on his meeting with Grand Junction Regional Airport about TSA security matters. After some discussion between the Board and Dave, the decision was made to re-visit this topic at a future meeting or work session.

7. FINANCIAL REPORT – GREG GOLDMAN

After receiving a glowing compliment by Harold Patton, Greg Goldman referred to several spreadsheets provided to the Board that outlined the current status of the Division's finances.

8. 2012 BOARD ELECTIONS

Dave Ubell made the MOTION to re-elect the current sitting officers for another term and Joe Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

9. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM – JOHN SWEENEY

John presented to the Board a new concept in grant funding. He advised that the Aviation Grant Fund has increased to a point that requires new methods of grant consideration and approval. He presented the idea of a two-tier system, with Tier 1 encompassing the traditional elements of the grant cycle, allowing Tier 2 funds to be used for high priority projects that are more targeted for statewide system improvements. Debra Wilcox was concerned that the new system would be fair, equitable and would take into consideration past audit suggestions. John assured her that her concerns were addressed in the development of the Tier 1, Tier 2 system. The Board voiced consensus for this approach and it was agreed that the staff would bring formal changes to the Grants Manual at the October meeting.

10. CENTENNIAL AIRPORT RUN-UP AREA BRIEFING – TK GWIN

TK Gwin presented a project that fits the requirements as a Tier 2 project from previous briefing. Centennial has been awarded an FAA grant to pave the shoulders on their main runway. They have a problem with the primary run-up area of this runway. Due to confusion by itinerate and student pilots, Centennial has a history of multiple encroachments. The ideal time to accomplish moving the run-up area is at the same time as construction for the paved shoulders. However, the FAA does not currently have funds available for this project. Staff is suggesting that this project be funded by the Board in order to gain economy of scale and reduce the amount of construction closure time for Centennial's runway. It was pointed out that there is a possibility that the FAA may find additional funding that will cover part or all of this project. They will not know funding availability until after September 16th. Debra voiced concerns that the State would expend funds in a situation of federal interest and eliminate the FAA's willingness to participate. TK assured the Board that the Division was working closely with the FAA and we are in agreement that available FAA funds will be used before available State funds. This project funding request will be brought to the Board for formal action on September 7th.

11. 12-COS-101 COLORADO SPRINGS INTERN REQUEST – JOHN SWEENEY

John said that Colorado Springs is requesting 50/50 split to fund an intern for one year, beginning January 2012. The amount requested from the State is \$13,000. The staff supports this project. Debra Wilcox made the MOTION to approve this request and Dennis Heap seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously

12. 09-4V1-01 WALSENBURG SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST – JOHN SWEENEY

John said that Walsenburg received a discretionary grant in 2009 for matching funds on a FAA non primary entitlement project to relocate and replace the self-serve fuel system. Due to some unforeseen environmental requirements from the Colorado Division of Oil and Public Safety, the cost of the project has increased. The FAA has increased their portion 15%, so Walsenburg would like additional money to match the FAA amendment, as well as overmatch to cover the unforeseen cost increase. The staff supports this request. The amount requested from the State is \$3,160.41 and the staff supports the request. Louis Spera made the MOTION to approve this request and Joe Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

13. 12-LIC-01 LIMON OUT-OF-CYCLE GRANT REQUEST – TK GWIN

TK informed the Board that the two fuel dispensers and card reader system at Limon has become unreliable, frequently inoperable and unable to be upgraded to meet current Payment Card Industry standards. The amount requested from the State is \$45,000 and the staff supports this project. Joe Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve this request and Dave Ubell seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

14. 11-33V-01 WALDEN SCOPE OF WORK CHANGE REQUEST – TK GWIN

TK said Walden received a discretionary grant at the 2011 Grant Hearing for \$400,000 to install a new wearing surface on the runway. Since then, the FBO has decided to move out of state, which will leave the airport without fuel for the pilots that use it. Walden would like to change the scope to include the purchase of the fuel systems and a project to repair the cracks with mastic and install a slurry seal. This project would also include the installation of a new rotating beacon. The grant award will remain at \$400,000 and the staff supports this request. Louis Spera made the MOTION to approve this request and Joe Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

15. 11-ANK-01 SALIDA SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST – JOHN SWEENEY

John said that Salida received a discretionary grant at the 2011 Grant Hearing for \$145,263 for the runway rehab project. Due to construction bid prices, additional funds are required in an effort to complete project construction schedules II, III, IV and V. Currently, the project contains enough funding to complete construction schedules I and IV. The additional amount requested from the State is \$52,059 and the staff supports this request. Dave Ubell made the MOTION to approve this request and Debra Wilcox seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

16. 12-1V7-01 HAXTUN OUT-OF-CYCLE GRANT REQUEST – TK GWIN

TK informed the Board that after a routine PCI inspection, the State discovered that Haxtun is operating an airport under unsafe pavement conditions. Haxtun has not asked for a grant in recent years, although according to George Michael (Town Manager) they applied for a \$200,000 grant in 2006 and were under the impression that they were ineligible due to obstructions. Haxtun is eligible and they use the runway to fly in medical doctors necessary for the community's quality of life. After project development between the staff and the town of Haxtun, there is a local contractor that can rehabilitate the runway for \$237,045 of state money. Staff is asking for the appropriation of this amount for the town of Haxtun. Louis Spera made the MOTION to approve this request and Joe Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

17. STATE FUNDED RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS –LAMAR & JULESBURG – TK GWIN

TK briefed the Board that during PCI inspections, Lamar and Julesburg were identified as requiring maintenance to preserve an acceptable level of safety. A new application was used last year on the ramp at Rangely Airport. This process holds promise for these runways, although it has not been used in Colorado on an active runway. TK said that at the next Board meeting, set for September 7th, he would be asking for \$200,000 to develop and construct a research and development project to be used on these two runways to prove the validity of this application. This project will be bid and funded by the Division of Aeronautics. Joe Thibodeau made the MOTION to table this decision until the next Board meeting, in order to allow staff adequate time to continue developing the project and refine cost estimates and Dennis Heap seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

NOTE: All Grant requests included a standard Grant Evaluation Form and was found by the Staff to be in the best interest of statewide aviation and to support the goals contained in the Colorado Aviation Systems Plan.

18. PROPOSED CALENDAR

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a teleconference, set for Wednesday, September 7th at 10:00 AM.

19. OTHER MATTERS BY MEMBERS

Harold Patton said it is the consensus of the Board that there is no conflict for Joe Thibodeau to serve as the President of the Colorado Pilots Association.

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:48 A.M.