



**January 28, 2013
Westin Hotel
Westminster, CO**

Grant Hearings

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Harold Patton	Chairman
Kenny Maenpa	Secretary
Louis Spera	
Joseph Thibodeau	
Debra Wilcox	

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dale Hancock	Vice-Chair
Dave Ubell	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dave Gordon	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Christine Eldridge	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Greg Goldman	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Todd Green	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
TK Gwin	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Shahn Sederberg	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Kaitlyn Westendorf	CDOT – Division of Aeronautics
Jim Allen	City of Sterling
Greg Anderson	Wings Over the Rockies Museum
Richard Baker	Fremont County
Walt Barbo	Fantasy of Flight
John Bauer	FAA – Denver ADO
Sue Boyd	Central Colorado Regional Airport

Daryl Brouse	OJ Watson Equipment
Allen Butler	Silver West Airport
Michael Cloud	Denver International Airport
Gary Cyr	Greeley – Weld County Airport
Kim Day	Denver International Airport
BJ DeHerrera	Aspen – Pitkin County Airport
Jim Elwood	Aspen – Pitkin County Airport
Jeff Forrest	Metro State University
Brian Grefe	Aspen – Pitkin County Airport
Mike Huemann	Lake County Airport
Robert Jolley	Silver West Airport
Patrick Keck	City & County of Denver
Bill Kendall	WH Pacific Consulting
Carl Lawrence	
Steve Lee	Denver International Airport
Jason Licon	Fort Collins – Loveland Airport
Jeremy McAlister	GDA Engineers
Leo Milan, JR	Office of the Attorney General
Bill Payne	William E Payne & Associates
Tim Payne	Fremont County
Ryan Prichett	Armstrong Consultants
Megan Quitter	Wings Over the Rockies Museum
Wendy Renier	WH Pacific Consulting
Dave Ruppel	Yampa Valley Regional Airport
Rob Sparklin	FHD Engineering Services
Craig Sparks	Jviation
Greg Tabuteau	Fremont County
Jason Tassig	Denver International Airport
Nick Tessitori	Burns & McDonnell
Bill Totten	Colorado Pilots Association
Dave Ulane	AOPA
Travis Vallin	Jviation

1. Meeting commenced at 2:00 P.M.

Joseph Thibodeau presented Louis Spera and Harold Patton with plaques, conveying appreciation to the service both have given to the Colorado Aeronautical Board.

2. *AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA*

David Gordon informed the Board that the grant requested from the Wings Over the Rockies Museum at the Grant Review in December will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and will be voted on separately,

becoming item 8.8 on the agenda. Pagosa Springs has submitted a grant request and that will become item 8.7 on the agenda. Agenda item 8.3 is a grant request from Front Range Airport and is not ready for action at this time, so we will request that it be tabled.

3. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

There were no Board member reports.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dave referred to a memo given to the Board that outlines current activities and issues at the Division. Dave informed the Board that the Division is pursuing an initiative to reorganize positions and job duties. Dave also gave a brief updated on the Economic Impact Study and the Airport Sustainability Planning Study.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT – GREG GOLDMAN

Greg Goldman referred to several financial handouts that were provided to the Board. Greg informed the Board that the fuel tax reimbursements to airports are current, adding that the year to date revenue collections are over \$20 million and \$12.5 million has been returned to local airport operating authorities. Greg is anticipating revenues around \$40 million for the year.

7. DIVISION UPDATES

7.1 Radar – Bill Payne

Bill Payne gave a brief update on the Radar Project. The Montrose site is operational and the following sites should be up in late spring or early fall: Gunnison, Telluride and Durango. Phase III Blended Airspace is still being discussed for Fort Collins-Loveland.

7.2 Reorganization Plan – TK Gwin

TK Gwin provided the Board with more details on the proposed reorganization plan for the Division. This plan will allow the Director more time to devote to Aerospace, which is an initiative that the Governor wants Colorado to become more involved in. TK said his position will become the Grants Program Manager and he will supervise the Division's three aviation planners. Kaitlyn Westendorf will transition into a planner position and her current job duties will be split between the three planners. Christine Eldridge will become the project manager of the AWOS program. TK concluded by saying that we'd like to create a new position that will support the Business Manager and assist with the financial side of things. Louis Spera complimented TK on the plan, saying it is long overdue and a step in the right direction. TK said that a formal request will be presented to the Board at the February meeting.

11. 2013 GRANT HEARINGS – TIER 1

8.1 Consent Agenda Items – Kaitlyn Westendorf

Kaitlyn Westendorf requested the approval of the 2013 CDAG Tier 1 Consent Agenda, which includes projects at 33 Colorado airports. These projects were placed on the consent agenda by the Board at the Grant Review on December 20, 2012. The requests total \$9,082,235 of CDAG funds to be added to \$2,315,147 of local funds and \$14,070,914 of Federal funds, for a total of \$25,468,296.44 in project costs. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve this request and Kenny Maenpa seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.2 Centennial – Todd Green

Todd Green said that Centennial Airport is requesting 90/10 split to upgrade airfield signage. The amount requested from the State is \$400,000 and the staff supports this project. Louis Spera made the MOTION to approve this request and Kenny Maenpa seconded. Joseph Thibodeau and Debra Wilcox abstained from the vote.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.3 Front Range – Todd Green

Todd said that at a future meeting, Front Range will request \$183,333 from the State for match on FAA funds to complete rehab of Taxiway A, A9 Run-up area

and Taxiway C, including all associated connectors. Front Range is still trying to secure the local match for this project. Debra Wilcox made the MOTION to table this request to a date not certain and Joseph Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.4 Pueblo – Kaitlyn Westendorf

Kaitlyn said that Pueblo is requesting match on FAA funds for a new ARFF truck and to initiate rehabilitation and realignment of Taxiway A. They are also requesting 90/10 split to construct secondary fuel farm containment structure. The total amount requested from the State is \$285,263. The staff supports this request. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve this request and Kenny Maenpa seconded. Louis Spera abstained from the vote.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.5 Trinidad – Kaitlyn Westendorf

Kaitlyn said that Trinidad was originally on the Consent Agenda for their request for wildlife fencing. Since then, they have added an airfield marking project at an additional cost, thus requiring that the original request be removed from the Consent Agenda and resubmitted. Trinidad is requesting match on FAA funds for wildlife fencing and 90/10 split for airfield marking. The total amount requested from the State is \$37,056. The staff supports this request. Kenny Maenpa made the MOTION to approve this request and Joseph Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.6 Meadow Lake – Todd Green

Todd said that Meadow Lake is not requesting action at this meeting, as they are still finalizing numbers for their taxiway project. They are removing FAA funding for this project, to apply those funds toward a project to re-do their runway in a few years. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to table this request until the March meeting and Kenny Maenpa seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.7 Pagosa Springs – Todd Green

Todd said that Pagosa Springs is requesting 90/10 split to purchase 26 acres of land. The amount requested from the State is \$180,000. The staff supports this request. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve this request and Kenny Maenpa seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

8.8 Wings Over the Rockies Museum – TK Gwin

TK said that this request was originally placed on the Consent Agenda, but after several questions from the Board, it was determined that this request be voted on separately. One of the inquiries was about the request for 90/10 split, instead of the traditional 50/50 split. TK stated that this was his suggestion, based on the amount currently available in the Aviation Fund and the increased education program that the Wings is proposing. Greg Anderson expressed his continued gratitude to the Board and the Division, before handing the presentation over to Megan Quitter. Megan gave a comprehensive breakdown of how the funds will be spent. The Wings is requesting 90/10 split to fund the KidSpace Outreach Program and the Wings Aerospace Science Program. The amount requested from the State is \$336,419. The staff supports this request. The Board had numerous questions for Megan and Greg, that were answered before the vote. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve the request, provided, however, that it is clearly understood that the Board's action is not to be read as any indication that similar subsequent requests be approved; that, in that connection, the Board is concerned that, absent its support, these programs might be at risk for future funding/viability; and, that approval of the request is expressly contingent upon Wing's periodic (no less frequently than quarterly throughout the coming year) updating of the Division as to the programs' progress, sustainability absent ongoing Division support, and measurability and accountability (i.e., of academic performance – not merely numbers of teachers and students enrolled into the programs – in the areas of math and the physical sciences). Debra Wilcox seconded the MOTION.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

Harold Patton and Joseph Thibodeau took a moment to introduce two of the new Board Members, Jeff Forrest and John Reams. William Thompson was unable to attend, due to illness.

9. 2013 GRANT HEARINGS – TIER 2

9.1 Consent Agenda Items – Kaitlyn Westendorf

Kaitlyn requested approval of the 2013 CDAG Tier 2 Consent Agenda, which includes projects at five Colorado airports. These projects were placed on the Consent Agenda by the Board at the Grant Review on December 20, 2012. The requests total \$6,695,424 of CDAG funds to be added to \$975,833 of local funds and \$4,695,904 of Federal funds, for a total of \$12,367,161 in Tier 2 project costs. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to approve this request and Kenny Maenpa seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

9.2 Denver International – Dave Gordon

Dave said that DIA is requesting 29/71 split for rehabilitation of Pena Boulevard from Tower Road to E470. Pena is the access road to DIA, making it eligible for our grant program. The FAA will not allow DIA to use airport funds to fix a percentage of the road that is commensurate with the amount of non-airport customer traffic. Leo Milan from the Office of the State Attorney General, referred to the Colorado Revised Statutes, Division of Aeronautics Grant Management Manual and the Colorado Aeronautical Board Governance Documents to determine that DIA is indeed eligible to receive a grant from the Colorado Division of Aeronautics. Kim Day had a brief slide show presentation, outlining exactly what the project will consist of. The funds requested today will cover three years of non-aviation use. The amount requested from the State is \$3,000,000. The staff supports this request. Leo Milan said that his opinion on this request is project specific, in reference to this particular stretch of Pena Boulevard. Louis Spera made the MOTION to approve this request and Joseph Thibodeau seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

9.3 Rocky Mountain Metropolitan – Todd Green

Todd said that Rocky Mountain Metro is requesting match on FAA funds to participate in runway safety area and taxiway improvements. The amount requested from the State is \$999,302. The staff supports this request. Louis Spera made the MOTION to approve this request and Debra Wilcox seconded. Kenny Maenpa abstained from the vote.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

9.4 Grand Junction – Todd Green

Todd said that Grand Junction has five separate projects they are planning on doing, but they have not yet secured the FAA funds. Todd would like the Board to table this motion until March, when he present the formal request in more detail. Joseph Thibodeau made the MOTION to table this request until March and Debra Wilcox seconded.

The MOTION carried unanimously.

To recap, the total amount of CDAG money awarded today is \$20,682,613, with a total local match of \$12,030,124.44 and total Federal match of \$44,559,279.

NOTE: All grant requests included standard Grant Evaluation Forms and were 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.

10. *NBAA SCHEDULERS & DISPATCHERS UPDATE – SHAHN SEDERBERG & KAITLYN WESTENDORF*

Kaitlyn Westendorf said that her and Todd attended the Schedulers and Dispatchers show last week in San Antonio. They were able to make contact with many people and organizations and disbursed our brand new Airport Directory. However, they felt that due to the timing of this annual conference and the impact felt by the office from having the two planners gone just prior to the Grant Hearings, it was decided that future attendance will not be part of the Division travel plan.

11. *PROPOSED CALENDAR*

The Board was provided with an outline of future meetings through the end of June. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 14th at 1:00 PM at the Front Range Airport.

12. *OTHER MATTERS BY MEMBERS*

There were no other matters.

13. The meeting adjourned at 3:26 P.M.