

Meeting Minutes
SOUTHEAST FLORIDA METROPOLITAN AREA
CFASPP STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
September 29, 2009, 10:00 a.m.
Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport

1. **Call To Order / Introductions** – Chair Chris McArthur called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked all in attendance to introduce themselves.

Name

Chris McArthur, Chair
Steve Rocco, Vice-chair
Jose Ramos
Florence Straugh
Gary Sypek
Doug Webster
Nina Demeo
Rufus James
James Foster
Roberto Gomez

Representing

Miami-Dade Aviation Department – OPF/TNT
City of Pompano Beach
Miami-Dade Aviation Department
Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport
Palm Beach County Department of Airports
Broward County Aviation Department
Broward County Aviation Department
Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport
Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport
Chalks Airline, Inc. (Miami Seaplane Base)

In addition, the following people were in attendance:

Name

Nelson Rhodes
Nicole Notz
Ian Dasho*
John Mafera
Barry Stem
Mark Witt
Dan Witt
Ryan Forney
Becky Mainardi
Bill McGrew
Dave Ramacorte
Tim Parker
Andy Keith
Dan Afghani

Representing

AOPA
FDOT District 4
American Flyer
CDM, Inc.
Duratek, Inc.
Duratek, Inc.
Gripflex Systems, Inc.
LPA Group, Inc.
Panther International
PBS&J, Inc.
Ricondo & Associates
Citizen
FDOT Aviation Office
CFASPP Administrator

* Via teleconference

Agencies/Organizations Not Represented:

Belle Glade State Municipal Airport
Monroe County Airports

Boca Raton Airport

2. **Approve Last Minutes** – Chair McArthur made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jose Ramos and passed by a unanimous vote of the members present.
3. **Airport Updates / Roundtable**
 - **Kendall-Tamiami Executive Airport** – Chair McArthur stated that the 1,000 foot extension of Runway 9R is now fully funded. The runway will be 6,000 feet long once the extension is completed.

- **Opa-locka Executive Airport** – Chair McArthur stated that they are approximately three months behind on the new air traffic control tower. He stated that the grooving on Runway 9L is being completed along with some new painting. The new FBO at the airport has opened and they are preparing for the Super Bowl in February. Chair McArthur stated that the FBO committee will be contacting airports in the region to coordinate marketing of the event. He added that the security improvements are underway with card readers, matrix entry devices and CCTV cameras scheduled to be installed soon.
- **Palm Beach International Airport** – Mr. Gary Sypek reported that the FAA is working on the new control tower and the cab has been installed at 230 feet above ground level (AGL). He added that the Northwest Cargo Area should be complete in November and the rehabilitation of Runway 13/31 is currently ahead of schedule. He reported that they are expanding Apron A to accommodate overnight storage of additional aircraft. They have multiple projects out for bid including the rehabilitation of Taxiway F and a miscellaneous pavement repair project.
- **Palm Beach County Park (Lantana) Airport** – Mr. Sypek stated that they recently completed an airfield signage project. He mentioned that they are working on a development project on the west side of the airport.
- **North Palm Beach County General Aviation Airport** – Mr. Sypek stated that eleven (11) new hangars are under construction at the airport with expected completion in early 2010.
- **Palm Beach County Glades (Pahokee) Airport** – Mr. Sypek stated that a new terminal and ten (10) hangars are nearly complete at Pahokee.
- **Miami Seaplane Base** – Mr. Roberto Gomez stated that airport has been slowed since the seaplane accident five years ago. He added that several operators have expressed interest in starting service to the Bahamas and they are working with the City of Miami to “bring the airport back”. Information on the facility is available on-line at www.x44miami.com
- **Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport** – Ms. Florence Straugh stated that the Taxiway A relocation is complete and the Taxiway B project will begin soon. She stated that an aviation equipment service building should be under construction in January. She added that design of a customs building will start in 2010 and security improvements at the airport are on-going along with a landside signage project.
- **Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport** – Mr. Doug Webster reported that Runway 13/31 is currently closed in preparation for scheduled work on Runway 9L. He stated that a design firm will be selected soon for the Runway 9R extension project that is scheduled for completion in 2014. He mentioned that a ramp rehabilitation project is also being completed at the airport.
- **North Perry Airport** – Ms. Nina Demeo reported that the Master Plan Update is now complete and the lease hold on south side is about to expire. The T-ports that were part of that agreement will be removed allowing additional development area to be leased. They are using FEMA money to complete security improvements and lighted windsocks are scheduled to be installed near the runways. She added that Runways 9L and 18L will be overlaid in the next year and that the airport will be painted to Part 139 standards.
- **Pompano Beach Airpark** – Vice-chair Steve Rocco stated that taxiway fillet widening is underway near Runway 15/33. The rejuvenation of Runway 6/24 and associated taxiways will begin soon. They are at about 60% design of the planned 500 foot extension to Runway 15/33.

- **Miami International Airport** – Mr. Jose Ramos reported that they are proceeding with a Strategic Master Plan for all four (4) airports over the next four (4) years. He reported that the North Terminal Program is on schedule for completion in 2011. The MIA mover train that will connect the terminal to the rental car facility is also scheduled for completion in 2011. The Aviation Department is proceeding with the construction of Central Boulevard in front of the airport. Funding for the project is via a 50/50 split between the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) and the FDOT. They are planning to rehabilitate Taxiways P and Q and the A380 gate project is proceeding. Lufthansa has expressed interest in flying the A380 to MIA.

4. **Regional Issues / Concerns - None**

5. **FDOT Aviation**

- **Aviation Office**

- **Regional Overviews** – Mr. Keith stated that the overviews have been sent out to the airport sponsors for review prior to this CFASPP Round. Mr. Keith asked the sponsors to review the data presented in the regional overview for accuracy and provide comments to him in the next couple of weeks. Once the comments are received they will be compiled and transmitted to the consultant. The goal is to have the updated overviews printed in early 2010 so they can be given to legislators and other decision makers prior to the 2010 Legislative Session.
- **Airport Land Use Compatibility Project** – Mr. Andy Keith stated that the project has been extended to November 2009 and the guidebook draft is back at the consultant for revisions. He added that Mr. Sergey Kireyev is the contact person for this project at the FDOT Aviation Office.
- **New Economic Impact Study** – Mr. Keith updated the group on this project by reviewing a slide presentation highlighting progress to date. He noted that this will be a statewide report but that each airport will also receive an individual report containing information on that facilities impact on the local economic climate.
- **Pavement Management Project** – Mr. Keith stated a funding shortfall has resulted in the delay of airport field inspections for this fiscal year. The FDOT Aviation Office is working with the FAA to secure funding for the inspections next year. He added that pavement training will again be held in 2010. Mr. Vu Trinh will conduct two separate courses that are likely to be held in Orlando in March and June. Mr. Keith stated that in response to feedback from previous participants the course will now include instruction on pavement repair.
- **Master Plan Guidebook** – Mr. Keith reported that this project is now underway and that a draft document has been presented to FDOT for review. The Technical User Group (TUG) put together for the IALP/MP project last year will be utilized to review the drafts of the Guidebook. He added that the document should be available for stakeholder review sometime in November.
- **Fair Market Value – Statewide Hangar Rate Study** – Mr. Keith stated that the FDOT is looking to assist FDOT District personnel and airport sponsors at determining methods for establishing fair market value for rental hangars. Mr. Keith stated that the project will start with a statewide survey of hangar rates that they hope to begin in mid to late 2010.
- **Stormwater Pond Modeling** – Mr. Keith explained that a Best Management Practice (BMP) procedure was finalized in 2005. Currently, FDEP is considering draft language for a General Permit for airports by incorporating the BMP into

their new Rule 62-347 FAC with a placeholder for an FAA designed wet detention pond. This project will work to formalize FAA approval of wet detention ponds at airports. A laboratory model with steep side slopes will be used to gather project data. Mr. Keith stated that questions on this project can be directed to Mr. Abdul Hatim at the FDOT Aviation Office.

- o **Deferred Reimbursement JPA's** – Mr. Andy Keith updated the group on this change to FDOT policy on “Deferred Reimbursement JPA's” which were previously known as “Prequalified JPA's”. He noted that the main changes affecting airport sponsors are in payout schedule process. The comptroller has determined that in order to maintain appropriate cash flow the FDOT only make lump sum payments up to \$2 million. Payments over that amount will now be paid out in ten (10) quarterly installments with the pay out schedule delineated in the JPA Exhibits. A new policy is being developed and should be distributed soon. He advised airport sponsors with questions to speak to their district representatives regarding the changes and new payment schedules.
 - o **FAD/JACIP Update** – Mr. Keith stated that they continue to tweak the new software and airports should still have access to the system using their login credentials at www.florida-aviation-database.com. Mr. Keith added that airport consultants can receive access to the database by having the airport sponsor send a request to his attention with their contact information. He invited the airport sponsors to check with him after the meeting if they would like to see who from their organization currently has access to the database.
 - **FDOT District Announcements**
 - o **District 4** – Ms. Nicole Notz stated that FDOT District 4 will be asking airport sponsors to transmit all project related documents electronically in the near future. Ms. Notz stated that she will be sending an e-mail to airport sponsors very soon with further information on this transition.
6. **FAA Announcements** – None.
7. **MPO Comments** – None.
8. **DoD Comments**
- **Homestead ARB** – Chair McArthur stated that November 7th and 8th is the airshow and additional information is available online at www.wingsoverhomestead.com. He added that the South Florida Air and Sea Show is back on for next year around the last week of April.
 - **U.S. Coast Guard** – Chair McArthur reported that not much new seems to be going on with the USCG at Opa-locka but they will play a large role in Super Bowl activities in February.
9. **Old Business**
- **TSA Proposal on General Aviation Security** – Mr. Keith briefly updated the group on this issue noting that Congress has instructed the TSA to revisit the proposal after more than 7,000 comments (mostly negative) were received from the aviation community.

10. New Business

- **Super Bowl Preparations** – Chair McArthur reported that he is on the Safety Committee for the event. The TSA will again be on hand at airports during the event and he mentioned that there are three “force down” airports for unauthorized flights. These airports are Homestead General, Dade-Collier-TNT and Palm Beach International Airport. The TFR is expected to be similar to a Presidential event with a no fly zone enforced during the entire game.
- **AOPA** – Mr. Nelson Rhodes reminded the group about the AOPA Summit that is scheduled to be held in Tampa on November 5-7, 2009.

11. Time & Place Next Meeting – The Administrator stated that the next scheduled meeting of the Southeast Metro Area Steering Committee is February 23, 2010. The committee determined that Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport would host the meeting on that date beginning at 10:00 a.m.**12. Adjournment** – Hearing no further business for the committee to consider, Chair McArthur adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:15 a.m.