# **Minutes of the Granite State Airport Management Association**

## Friday, September 11, 2009

#### 11:00 AM

Mt. Washington Regional Airport Presby Environmental Conference Room 143 Airport Road, Whitefield, NH

**Attendees**:

Bruce Hutchings Mt. Washington Regional Airport

Eric Kaminsky Berlin Regional Airport

Roy Rankin Boire Field

Peter Chase Claremont Airport
Dave Rolla Concord Airport

Jeri Fortier Dean Memorial Airport
Jim Fortier Dean Memorial Airport

Harvey Sawyer Jaffrey Airport/Silver Ranch Airpark

Diane Cooper Laconia Airport Rick Dyment Lebanon Airport

Mark Brewer Manchester-Boston Regional Airport

Rep. Beverly Rodeschin Parlin Field Russ Kelsea Parlin Field

Andrew Pomeroy Portsmouth International Airport

Rep. Chris Nevins
Lisa Lesperance
Tracey McInnis
Donna Sorenson

NH Aviation Caucus
FAA/Airports Division
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David McNamara FST

Val Mendounca HNTB Corp

Dale Wilde Hoyle, Tanner & Associates

John Gorham Jacobs Eng.
Leigh Bartlett Stantec
Ervin Deck Stantec
Gerry D'Amico URS Corp

President Bruce Hutchings called the meeting to order at 11:13 a.m. He thanked the folks at Presby's Environmental for hosting the meeting and Fay, Spofford & Thorndike Engineering for providing refreshments.

<u>Subcommittee: Alternate Aviation Revenue Sources:</u> Representative Nevins noted that he and Director Jack Ferns met with the State Treasurer to discuss the idea of setting up a non-lapsing and sustainable Aviation Fund to present to the NH Legislature. He reminded the membership that a strong

lobbying effort is needed to pass this proposal. A handout was distributed with the proposed legislation and with talking points for general distribution amongst the aviation community. Rep. Rodeschin suggested taking ques from "the rail group" and how they manager their new legislation and funding. Carol Niewola stated that NHDOT is available to assist with information; however, the effort has to come from airports and the aviation system in order for it to have any impact. President Hutchings reported that the GSAMA's Funding Subcommittee has met three times since the June GSAMA meeting.

**MOTION:** On a motion made by Mark Brewer, seconded by Roy Rankin, it was voted unanimously to adopt the funding plan and language for the legislation as presented in the handout and, to move forward with lobbying the NH Legislature.

**FAA Update:** All ARRA funds have been allocated. Any monies from project under-runs will be allocated to high priority projects for safety, likely out of the NE Region. FAA Reauthorization legislation is still not resolved for FY 2010 (starts October 1, 2009); anticipate more Continuing Resolutions.

NHDOT/Aeronautics News: Carol Niewola reported that the annual 5010 safety and 5010 inspections are underway. The state purchased a crack-fill machine for use by any public-use airport, currently being used by Whitefield. President Hutchings noted that he purchased a large quantity of the crack-fill material at a reduced cost and will sell it to other airports in any quantity needed. Carol Niewola noted that if any non-primary NPIAS airports have not provided NHDOT with their based aircraft counts to please do so ASAP.

### Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Roy Rankin and seconded by Dave Rolla to accept the minutes of the June 12, 2009 meeting minutes as written. The motion was unanimously accepted.

# **Airport Status (see attached)**

### **Next Meeting**

The next quarterly meeting of GSAMA is scheduled for Friday, December 11, 2009 at 10:00 AM NHDOT Office, Room 114 (Large Conference Room) 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH.

Adjournment
A motion was made by Roy Rankin and seconded by Dave Rolla to adjourn at 12:50pm. The motion was unanimously accepted.
Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Cooper