

**Colorado Airport Operators Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
Friday October 8, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.  
Centennial Airport, Administration Offices, Englewood, Colorado

1. **Call to Order and Attendance**

Troy Stover, President called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Board Members Present: Troy Stover, President; Kenny Maenpa, Vice President; Lorie Hinton, Secretary/Treasurer; Mike Reisman, Past President; Ken Lawson, Steve Lee and Kathie Lucas.

Guest: Dave Gordon

2. **Approval of Minutes:** May 7, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting

Kenny Maenpa asked the members present to review the minutes of the May 7, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting, and requested a motion. A correction to the spelling of Larry Reister and the Colorado Aviation Recovery Support Team were noted.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting.

Motion: Ken Lawson                      Second: Steve Lee  
Vote: Unanimous

3. **Report of Officers and Committees:**

~~a. **Financial Report:**~~

Lorie Hinton, CAO Secretary/Treasurer provided an overview of the Association's current fiscal status. Overall, membership fees were tracking on budget and the 2010 Spring Conference generated more income than budgeted. However, there was a shortfall from the Legislative Reception and Interest Income. In addition, expenses for the Spring Conference were significantly over budget resulting in a projected loss for the year. After much discussion, it was determined that an audit of the Spring Conference expenses would be performed and the results presented to the Board at the next meeting.

b. **Conference Committee Reports:**

i. **Winter Conference 2011 (Denver) -**

Kenny Maenpa provided an update on the plans that have been made for the upcoming Winter Conference. The winter conference will be held January 23 -

25, 2011 at the Westin Hotel. The program will include the annual Legislative Reception (to be held at the Brown Palace), Colorado Aeronautics Board Grant Hearings and general education sessions. The conference will kick-off with the PRCA Pro Rodeo finals for those interested. Cost for the conference will be \$190.00 with tickets to the rodeo paid for separately. Ken Lawson offered to assist with getting reduced rate tickets to the rodeo. Room rates at the Westin are \$119.00 per night. It was recommended that sponsorships be eliminated except for the welcome reception in order to let corporate members know that the Board is sensitive to tough economic times.

Mike Reisman agreed to design the registration form and to distribute it to members via e-mail. It was decided that the form should also include registration for CAO membership and a non-member price. The form will also be sent to non-member airports to help increase membership and attendance.

ii. **Spring Conference 2011 (Ft. Collins/Loveland Airport) -**

If needed, Mike Reisman will provide guidance to the staff at the Ft. Collins/Loveland Airport in making preparations for the conference since a new manager for the airport has not been selected yet. The dates have been set and the Embassy Suites Hotel is under contract. Dave Gordon advised that the Division of Aeronautics has a couple of topics for sessions at the conference.

iii. **Spring Conference 2012 –**

Several locations were discussed for potential sites for the 2012 Spring Conference including Montrose, Steamboat/Hayden and Durango. It was decided that a decision on the location will be made at the 2011 Winter Conference.

4. **Business Agenda:**

a. **Capitol Solutions Update**

Mike Reisman explained that there is not much to report since there has been no movement on the fuel tax issue, which is good news. After some discussion, it was agreed that if the contract with Capitol Solutions is continued next year, it should include a specific accountability structure.

b. **2011 Membership Drive**

Kenny Maenpa explained the actions that had been taken this last year to improve membership, which included personal calls to non-member airports and changing the membership fee structure. Calls will be made again this coming year and the membership forms sent out just after Thanksgiving. The goal is to have at least 80% of

the membership fees collected by February in order to improve cash flow. Sending out paper invoices in addition to e-mail invoices was also discussed as a possible solution.

**c. 2011 CIP and Colorado Discretionary Aviation Grant Request**

Lorie Hinton requested approval for three (3) CDAG's as listed on the current CIP:

#1 CDAG – Airport Employee Training total: \$62,000

#2 CDAG – Colorado Aviation Recovery Support Team total: \$5,000

#3 CDAG – AWOS Maintenance/Upgrades (2 sites): \$7,600

A motion was made to approve the three (3) CDAG that total \$74,600.

Motion: Mike Reisman

Second: Troy Stover

Vote: Unanimous

**d. 2011 Proposed Budget**

Lorie Hinton presented the 2011 Proposed Budget. After some discussion, it was agreed that the following changes be made: reduce Bank Interest to \$500.00, increase Web Site expense to \$2,400 and increase Winter Conference/Legislative Reception expense to \$19,000.

A motion was made to approve the 2011 Proposed Budget with the changes as noted.

Motion: Kenny Maenpa

Second: Mike Reisman

Vote: Unanimous

**e. Colorado Long Term Funding Strategies Update**

Troy Stover advised that we will continue to support the efforts of the Colorado Division of Aeronautics as well as continuing to look at means for future sustainable funding.

**5. Legislative Issues Update:**

**a. Noise Disclosure**

Troy Stover expressed his thoughts that the current noise disclosure proposal is too volatile to pursue at this time and would require vetting through appropriate public officials which we are currently not prepared to do.

Dave Gordon mentioned that the Board may want to consider pursuing changes to state regulations that would require appropriate lighting and NOTAM's for towers less 200'. Currently there are no regulations requiring any type of NOTAM or lighting for towers less than 200' which has become a real safety concern for crop dusters.

**b. Amendments 60, 61 and Proposition 101**

**i. White Paper/Proposed Resolution**

Troy Stover reviewed the Proposed Resolution that had been previously provided to the Board. Requests were made to include costs provided by Centennial Airport and Greeley Weld County Airport as well as changes from Mary Buckley at DIA.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution Opposing Proposition 101 and Amendments 60 and 61 with the changes noted.

Motion: Kenny Maenpa

Second: Lorie Hinton

Vote: Unanimous

**6. Other Business**

**a. Meeting with Colorado Business Aviation Association (CABA)**

The Board met with the following members of CABA: Michael McCreedy, Secretary; Iver Retrum, Membership Director and Reggie Arsenault, Vice Chairman. Troy Stover explained that CAO A would like to develop a strong working relationship with CABA. Doing so could prove to provide a very beneficial synergy for the aviation community as a whole. A number of topics were discussed including upcoming events, aviation education and legislative issues. CABA agreed to provide a presentation about their association at the upcoming Winter Conference. CAO A will also place a link on their web site for CABA.

**b. Meeting with Move Colorado Regarding Amendments 60, 61 and Proposition 101**

The Board met with the following members of Move Colorado: Mark Mehalko, President; Randy Harrison, Executive Director and Bruce Prommersberger. Mark and Randy explained that Move Colorado is a voice for sustainable funding for transportation in Colorado. They focus on advocacy, education and membership. Significant discussion took place regarding Amendments 60, 61 and Proposition 101. Troy Stover discussed the Board's resolution and will provide the final version to Move Colorado within the next couple of days for inclusion in their educational material.

**7. Adjourn**

Troy Stover requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Motion: Steve Lee

Second: Ken Lawson

Vote: Unanimous