

13 May 2019 Airport Board Meeting:

Members Present: Shannon Kruse, President; Gerald Rieber, Vice President; Mike Cartney, Secretary; Mike Tomlinson, Board member; Les McElhaney, Board Member; Mayor Sara Caron, Ex-officio; Councilman Bruce Buhler, Ex-officio; Airport Manager Todd Syhre, Ex-officio

Excused: none

Others present: Don Roby (City Council), Glen Vilhauer (City Council), Matt Roby (City Attorney), Don Ekert (KXLG), Dan Chrisler (Public Opinion), Mike Tanner (KXLG), Alan Henricks (Benchmark Foam).

The meeting was called to order by the president. Gerald R motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Mike T. Motion carried unanimously.

Les M. motioned to approve the minutes from 1 April meeting, seconded by Mike T. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment. None.

Motion: Recommend support of Skywest's request. Todd S and Shan K provided an overview of the Skywest requested route change. Discussion ensued to ensure a common understanding that: the proposed time appeared to be optimal for providing connections for both inbound and outbound passengers; since Skywest would be using similar aircraft, there would be an increase in overall passenger capacity; the estimated fare would still fall within the EAS proposed \$95 average fare; SkyWest aircraft and crew would no longer overnight in Watertown; this is viewed as positive by the ~~FBOOB~~; and there is a limited window to accept the proposal as Skywest wants to fill the schedule quickly and will offer a route to another community if we decline. Mike Cartney motioned to support the Skywest route change request providing EAS service to Chicago once daily, seven days a week. Second by Gerald R. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business. Two new employees were hired and should be in place in June. They should be completing their training and fully ready to work on their own in August.

Old Business. 607 enplanements in April, despite 6 weather cancelations and not starting until 3 April. The Rental Car service RFP is out and responses are due at the early of June. The Airport passed its annual PART 139 certification, meaning it continues to be authorized for commercial air service.

Executive Session. N/A.

Next Meeting. No next meeting date was set.

Adjournment. Mike C motioned to adjourn, Gerald R seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mike Cartney
Secretary