



## Airport Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, May 7, 2013 – 1:00 p.m.  
Gaylord Regional Airport 1100 Aero Drive  
P.O. Box 1396 Gaylord, MI 49734



### MINUTES

Advisory President Deerfield called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

Roll call – Present: Mike Deerfield, Jeff Ratcliffe, John Burt, Bill Muzyl, Donna Stubenvoll, Wally McCoy, Commissioner Paul Liss (ex-officio) Matt Barresi (Director) Neil Johnson

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Stubenvoll to approve the agenda, Motion Approved.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Stubenvoll to approve the minutes of April 9, 2013 with a date correction. Motion Approved.

#### **A. Subcommittee Report**

##### **1. Planning/Feasibility Study**

Ratcliffe informed the Advisory that he and Barresi would be working to put together a presentation for the steering committee to be held at the University Center on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am. The steering committee as part of The Phase II planning. The committee is made up of representatives of Airports, Airlines, manufacturing and academia. Some participants will be flying into Gaylord the night before and a small reception will be organized for them.

##### **2. Flight Training**

The Flight Training Subcommittee had nothing new to report but Barresi passed around a survey he had started to conduct by calling flight training schools around the country to gather some statistical information that might help our efforts. Much of the discussion centered on cost associated with getting started in flying and the short flying season in our area. New ways of developing interest in flying like using face book as a medium.

#### **B. AOPA Update**

##### **1. Aviation Articles**

Deerfield briefed on articles he had read recently regarding the possibility of the FAA using non designated discretionary funds to help pay for some Air traffic control operations. Also discussed was the Med Express program. The next time you go for a flight physical, you will be required to fill out an application online [MedExpress.FAA.gov](http://MedExpress.FAA.gov). The old paper application for an FAA medical certificate is no longer being used. To apply for an FAA medical certificate, pilots must first create an account. Muzyl stated that the program was designed to make things easier but is still problematic.

## **C. Airport Manager's Report**

### **1. Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) Building**

Barresi updated the advisory on the completion of the SRE building and introduced Neil Johnson the owner of Johnson Diversified who built the building and would lead a tour of the new facility at the end of our meeting.

### **2. Wings Over Gaylord Airshow 2013**

Barresi provided the advisory updates to the airshow to date. Using the airshow planning board located in the airshow control center he explained costs associated with running Jet performance acts and a new way to buy your ticket with a T-shirt on line. He also briefed on the airshow parade and the find the plane in town event co-sponsored with a local radio station.

## **D. Open Discussion**

Deerfield stated that due to the time constraints and operations tempo around the airshow the Advisory Committee would not meet in June.

The next meeting date will be on Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 1:00 pm in the airport conference room. The meeting was adjourned by Deerfield at 2:15.p.m.