



**SAN DIEGO
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**AIRPORT NOISE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ANAC)
Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2012**

On January 18th, 2012, the Airport Noise Advisory Committee (Committee) met at the Commuter Building, 3225 N. Harbor Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101. The facilitator, Mark Butler, Ph.D., commenced the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

Present: Mr. John Bennett, County of San Diego; Captain (Ret.) Jack Bewley, Retired Airline Pilot; Ms. Carole Caffey, Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee; Mr. Rob Cook, FAA Representative; Mr. Tait Galloway, City of San Diego; Mr. Hirsch Gottschalk, Uptown Planners; Mr. Kirk Hanson, Community member; Jane Gawronski, PhD., Ocean Beach Planning Board; Mr. Carl Huenefeld, MCRD; Ms. Deborah Watkins, Mission Beach Precise Planning Board (ex-officio); Michael Patton, City Council District 2 (ex-officio); Mr. Joe Scaglione, North Bay (Midway) Community Planning Board; Jack Zimmerman (Acoustician); Dr. Mark Butler, Facilitator; and Airport Authority Staff: Mr. Dan Frazee, Mr. Garret Hollarn, and Mr. Steve Cummings.

Absent: Congresswoman Susan Davis (ex-officio) Daniel Hazard (Excused); Mr. Steven Holt, Airline Representative (ex-officio); Mr. Bill Stone, Little Italy Association; Mr. Paul Webb, Peninsula Community Planning Board; County Supervisor Greg Cox (ex-officio) (Vacant)

Dr. Butler invited each ANAC participant to introduce him/herself. Following introductions, as a quorum was present, Dr. Butler requested a motion to approve the October 2011 meeting minutes. A correction to the minutes was requested by Mr. Zimmerman; then the amended minutes were approved unanimously.

Mr. Frazee updated the Committee with airport activity (passenger and aircraft operations) statistics for CY 2011. Passenger enplanement for 2011 increased by 3.5% over 2010 numbers. Aircraft operations in 2011 were up by 2.6% compared to 2010, with about 190,000 arrivals and departures. Compared with 2007 though, when there were 230,000 operations, we have decreased about 21%, and per day activity is about 540 operations as opposed to 620 operations per day. San Diego International continues to attract new entrants and new routings.

As for the Green Build update, Mr. Frazee continued by saying that the work on new gates, additional ramp space, a second-level roadway for Terminal 2, and increased screening and security lanes is moving along smoothly, on track for an August 2013 opening. He mentioned

that residents west of the airport are experiencing noise associated with pile driving between the hours of 12:30 to 8:30 at night, through the end of February, as the work on the second level roadway expands. The building frame for the USO is in place across from Terminal 2 East; and, when completed, it will be the largest USO in the nation, with about 10,000 sq. ft., to serve the significant flow of military personnel who travel through San Diego's airport. Mr. Frazee also informed the committee that the road access to Spanish Landing across from Terminal 2 West was closed in October 2011 and that travelers arriving from the west side of the airport will not be able to make a left-turn to access Terminal 2 until the second level roadway is completed and parking lots are reopened. On a different note, Mr. Hollarn added that construction of a 14 to 21 foot sound wall to contain aircraft noise along the western airport boundary is proceeding well. This concluded Mr. Frazee's presentation.

Next Agenda item was the annual review of the Rules and Procedures for ANAC meetings. Dr. Butler asked the Committee members if there are any modifications to be made to the Rules and Procedures, reminding them of a change made in late 2011 when the status of the FAA representative was changed from voting to non-voting. No discussion was forthcoming from the participants; thus, the Rules and Procedures for ANAC will remain as is. For the next discussion item, Dr. Butler reviewed the proposed meeting date and time schedule for 2012. The Committee members unanimously agreed that quarterly meetings during calendar year 2012 will be held on the third Wednesday of the months of January, April, July and October at 4:00 p.m. in the Noise Monitoring Room.

Mr. Frazee updated the Committee on the latest Curfew Violation Review Panel (CVRP) meeting. The last CVRP for 2011 was held on December 7. He noted that a local news television station attended and filmed the meeting, then ran a 5-minute segment on the process. Three operations were evaluated; a British Airways and two Ryan International Airlines violations. The Panel deferred a decision on British Airways to the next scheduled CVRP due to insufficient information. Ryan International Airlines was assessed penalties totaling \$8,000 for their two violations.. Mr. Frazee informed members that Ryan International Airlines is a charter airline for the US Department of Justice that transports federal and international detainees from San Diego. The next CVRP will be held February 1st, 2012. Mr. Frazee added that at the next ANAC meeting, he will report out on the total curfews for CY2011. One member asked if staff knew reason behind Ryan International's breaking curfew, to which Mr. Frazee responded that the aircrew mistakenly thought that this operation was exempt from curfew regulation since they are performing at the bequest of the federal government.

In regards to FAR Part 150 Noise Compatibility Program update, Mr. Frazee reiterated that the Federal Aviation Administration accepted the Authority's submission in 2011 but there were several elements not approved, especially that regarding the airport's request to add to the noise contour 173 homes located on the northeast side of the airport that needed more extensive technical justification to be included in the area eligible for residential sound insulation. FAA was not convinced with the technical information the vendor provided. As we move forward, there is a completed noise compatibility program in place at SDIA that includes approval of 15 of the 18 submitted elements.

Ms. Sjohnna Knack, Manager of the Quieter Home Program (QHP) next gave an update on the Program. She reported that as of today, QHP has completed about 2,078 homes, having reached the milestone of 2,000 homes in November 2011. In calendar year 2011, bids were received for nine (9) separate home projects took place, valued from one half million dollars to 2.7 million dollars; and that about 400 homes were completed; 61 on the east side and 339 on the west side. Specifically, a large tract of condominiums in Pt. Loma – Pt. Loma Tennis Club and Park Pt. Loma are pretty much done; the Tennis Club complex is in progress and they are just initiating the first bid on the Sea Colony complex. On a different note, Ms. Knack informed the committee that a new Programmatic Agreement, coordinated with the City of San Diego, the California State Historic Preservation Organization, the advisory committee and FAA was signed in October. In regards to the architectural engineering firm contracted by the Authority, the Authority made the decision to retain only one of two firms due to reduced federal program funding.

Mr. Hollarn presented updated Missed Approach statistics for 2011 to-date. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

http://www.san.org/documents/airport_noise/anac/12Jan_Presentation_Items.pdf

Mr. Hollarn presented an update of year-to-date Noise Complaints. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

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A member inquired about the staff process when a community member makes a noise complaint. Mr. Hollarn explained that staff enters the provided information into the noise complaint database, investigates each complaint, then calls the community member back with information relevant to the complaint within two working days if the caller asks for a call back and provides contact information. Staff also forwards to the caller a link to a web-based flight tracking system to provide the complainer the ability to independently confirm staff's information.

Mr. Cummings presented updated Early Turns operations. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

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Mr. Cummings next presented Contra-Flow operations. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:


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A committee member inquired what the standard is for switching operations to a contra-flow, asking if it is a subjective decision or based on visibility. Staff explained that more than one condition could require the arrival and departure pattern to change. Inclement weather is the most common, with a significant wind shift favoring the opposite runway as another.

Under New Business: Dr. Butler reminded the committee regarding a continuation of the deferred discussion from the last meeting regarding staff's desire to reduce the amount of paper associated with the meetings and presentations; the question was posed if the committee would prefer to have presentations and statistics made available to each electronically or continue to print all documentation for each committee member at each scheduled meeting. The reasoning behind the request is because one of the Noise Mitigation Department's goals is to reduce cost associated with paper production and to be sustainable. A motion was made and the floor opened for further discussion. One suggestion was to have the Agenda and presentations on-line 72 hours prior to the meeting where the public and members could download it on their own. Discussion ensued where there are some members would like to keep it the way it is so that they have specific documentation to take back to their respective constituents. Other participants prefer to only have an Agenda forwarded to them, while some would prefer the 72-hour advance upload prior to the meeting. Seeing the mixed ideas regarding this matter, Dr. Butler suggested a motion such that staff will forward an email to all ANAC participants requesting them to confirm his/her specific technology/paper requirement needs before the next meeting by replying to the email. Staff clarified that the meeting agenda is currently posted in accordance with the Brown Act as well as on the Authority website. Motion passed unanimously.

Under Public comment: Debbie Keegan, an Ocean Beach resident, requested clarification of the SAN curfew. Specifically, she advised that she hears arriving aircraft at all times of the night, and asked if they are an exception to the curfew. Mr. Frazee explained that the SAN noise curfew is a departure curfew only, and that arrivals are permitted 24-hours a day. He reminded the group of the daily departure curfew times of 10:00 p.m. until 7 a.m. for the noisiest aircraft and from 11:30 p.m. until 6:30 a.m. for the vast majority of aircraft.

Hearing no more questions, Dr. Butler adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Noise Monitoring Room at the Commuter Terminal.



Dan Frazee
Director, Airport Noise Mitigation

NOTE: 1) Please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) on the Airport Noise Office website at www.san.org/airportnoise/info_noise_main.asp for the answers to commonly asked aircraft noise-oriented questions at SDIA.