

**SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2008  
SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
BOARD ROOM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Bersin called the regular meeting of the Executive Committee and Special Board Meeting to order at 9:05 a.m., Monday, March 24, 2008, in the Board Room of the San Diego International Airport, Commuter Terminal, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Board Member Panknin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:            Committee Members:    Bersin, Finnila, Watkins  
                         Board Members:            Boland, Panknin

Absent:            Committee Members:    None

Also Present:    Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO; Breton K. Lobner, General Counsel; Tony R. Russell, Director, Corporate Services/Authority Clerk; Sara Real, Assistant Authority Clerk I

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1.    APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of the February 25, 2008 Committee Meeting.

**ACTION: Moved by Board Member Watkins and seconded by Board Member Finnila to approve the February 25, 2008 minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

*Board Member Boland arrived at 9:07 a.m.*

**2.    UPDATE ON THE AVIATION EDUCATION INITIATIVES:**

Cheryl Brown, Deputy Director, Marketing & Route Services, provided a presentation on Aviation Education, which included an overview of ongoing initiatives consisting of tours, Take Your Child to Work Day, Construction Tech High Day, Airport Explorer's YMCA Camp, Miramar Air Show, Job Shadow Days, etc.; and recent accomplishments consisting of

the publication of the Bessie Coleman Book, Airport Exhibit unveiling, launch event at the Air & Space Museum, etc.

Judy McSweeney, Senior Marketing Specialist, provided a presentation on the Aviation Education Program's New Initiative, which is BizTown, San Diego.

She stated that this initiative will enable the airport to take a major role in the community and the aviation education of young minds. She stated that it would reach over 12,000 students annually.

Chairperson Bersin stated that he was supportive of the initiative and asked that it be presented to the Board.

**3. DISCUSSION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AND SANDAG REGARDING THE AIRPORT MASTER PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT:**

Breton Lobner, General Counsel, stated that SANDAG has approved the draft of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). He stated that the City Attorney for the City of San Diego has additional changes.

Chairperson Bersin stated that the City Attorney has presented a new draft of the MOA. He further stated that since the Authority has already approved the MOA, there is no reason to review a new document. He stated that the agreement has not been signed because the City and SANDAG want to be able to legally challenge the Environmental Impact Report should an issue arise. He suggested that the direction should be not to re-open the negotiations of the MOA.

Board Member Finnila suggested that the Authority stand firm with the approved MOA.

Board Member Watkins concurred, stating that the Board should stay the course on what has already been put forward.

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, stated that Authority staff, SANDAG and the City met regarding the Terminal Development Plan, and there was discussion on the roles and responsibilities of the various players.

In response to Board Member Watkins regarding the potential of the project being stopped without a signed agreement with the City of San Diego, Ms. Bowens stated that it's to everyone's benefit to move ahead with the project.

**4. DISCUSSION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LOCAL LAND USE JURISDICTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO REGARDING EXISTING USE PROJECTS:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, stated that this item deals with land use plans and how other jurisdictions handle determinations on existing use projects. She stated that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) identifies under what conditions existing uses could be recognized. She stated that although many existing use projects have come through the City of San Diego, the MOU will also apply to all jurisdictions that submit applications to the Authority.

Chairperson Bersin requested that projects within the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) be separated from non-RPZ projects on future agendas.

**5. DISCUSSION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL REGARDING THE AIRPORT MASTER PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL AIRPORT REPORT:**

Breton Lobner, General Counsel, stated that the Authority has been negotiating an agreement with the Attorney General. He outlined the requirements included in the MOU. He stated that the main issue is greenhouse gas emissions in California, which impacts air carriers. He stated that the issues to be resolved include the mandatory use of tow vehicles and concerns about more greenhouse gas emissions.

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, stated that the airlines have indicated their concern with the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). She stated that she has directed staff to work with the airlines, and General Counsel to identify and address the issues. She stated that she has heard from her colleagues at other airports and they are concerned about what is in this MOU. She further stated that they recognize that under AB 32, California airports are going to be required to do things very differently.

In response to Board Member Watkins, Mr. Lobner stated that he could not identify anything in the bill that is mandated under the law. He stated that in the future, AB 32 will address the greenhouse gas emission issues and also set emission levels, but that is not currently in effect. He further stated that many of the changes that will be mandated under the Bill are already in process at our airport.

Chairperson Bersin requested that a portion of the closed session at the next Board Meeting be set aside to discuss this issue so that the Board can understand the details and give appropriate direction.

## **REVIEW OF FUTURE AGENDAS**

### **6. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 27, 2008 JOINT MEETING WITH MTS:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, reviewed the draft agenda for the March 27, 2008 joint meeting with Metropolitan Transit Systems (MTS).

Ms. Bowens stated that the intent of the meeting is for MTS to vote to accept our Transit Plan. She stated that without commitment from MTS, huge portions of the Transit Plan cannot be executed. She further stated that MTS is included on the Technical Committee for the Multi-Modal Transportation Plan.

Board Member Finnila suggested that the fact sheet that was prepared for the joint SANDAG/Airport Authority meeting be distributed at this meeting as well.

Chairperson Bersin noted that the Terminal Development Plan is the name for Phase 1 of the Master Plan, and the Lindbergh Multi-Modal Transportation Plan is the name for Phase 2.

In response to Chairperson Bersin regarding collaborative activity on implementing the Transit Plan, Ms. Bowens stated that MTS should adopt the Transit Plan. She noted that MTS staff participated in the development of the Transit Plan, and the participation of MTS is needed for execution. She further stated that the Transit Plan allows short term projects to be implemented.

Ms. Bowens stated that staff would forward to the Board what is in Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Transit Plan prior to the meeting.

Chairperson Bersin suggested that a list of short term projects be prepared and included in the presentation.

Board Member Finnila concurred, adding that projects on the list should be delineated into Phase 1 or Phase 2 so that they understand we are going to move ahead and need their help.

### **9. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE APRIL 4, 2008 JOINT MEETING WITH THE PORT OF SAN DIEGO:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, reviewed the draft agenda for the April 4, 2008 joint meeting with the Port of San Diego.

Ms. Bowens stated that the items on the agenda reflect meetings that were held between our staff and Port staff where items were identified that would be mutually beneficial to both agencies.

In response to Board Member Finnilla regarding a discussion on cruise ships, Ms. Bowens stated that issues relative to the cruise ships would be addressed in the discussion on the North Embarcadero Visionary Plan.

**7. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE APRIL 3, 2008 AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION MEETING:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, presented the draft Airport Land Use Commission meeting agenda.

Angela Shafer-Payne, Vice President, Planning & Operations, stated that Item 5 is the only project on the agenda dealing with the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ).

**ACTION: Moved by Board Member Watkins and seconded by Board Member Finnilla to approve the draft Airport Land Use Commission meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**8. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE APRIL 3, 2008 BOARD MEETING:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, presented the draft agenda for the Board Meeting.

Board Member Panknin requested that, regarding Item 3 – Appointments to the Advisory Committee, the NBAA (National Business Aviation Association) appointment needs to be changed. He requested staff to follow up on the new appointment.

Chairperson Bersin requested that the City of San Diego and SANDAG MOA be added to Closed Session for discussion. He further noted that actions resulting from the recent Executive Personnel & Compensation Committee should be added to the agenda.

**ACTION: Moved by Board Member Finnilla and seconded by Board Member Watkins to approve the Board agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

SUHAIL KHALIL, SAN DIEGO, Peninsula Community Planning Board, spoke regarding the recent election of the Peninsula Community Planning Board.


**PRESIDENT/CEO REPORT**

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

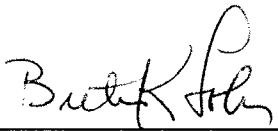
**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held on April 21, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the San Diego International Airport, Commuter Terminal, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THIS 21<sup>st</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2008.

  
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TONY R. RUSSELL  
DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES/  
AUTHORITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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BRETON K. LOBNER  
GENERAL COUNSEL