

**SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2008  
SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
BOARD ROOM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Bersin called the special meeting of the Board and Executive Committee to order at 1:03 p.m., Wednesday, September 17, 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 O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

***Board***

Present: Board Members: Bersin, Desmond, Finnila, Miller,  
O'Connor (Ex-Officio), Panknin, Watkins  
Absent: Board Members: Boland, Young, Zettel

***Executive Committee***

Present: Committee Members: Bersin, Finnila, Watkins  
Absent: Committee Members: None

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

Chairperson Bersin noted that Ex-Officio Board Member, Anne Sheehan, has resigned from her position with the Department of Finance. He requested that the Authority Clerk draft a letter of gratitude for Ms. Sheehan.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

EDWARD LEARNED, LOS ANGELES, Park & Ride, stated that he received a letter regarding the implementation of the \$2.00 trip fee, and he expressed surprise that no meetings were held or explanation given.

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, stated that the letter was sent out by a staff member without her authorization and she apologized for any distress it caused. She stated that she is committed to meeting with the stakeholders regarding this issue prior to any implementation of a trip fee.

RICHARD ABDALA, SAN DIEGO, expressed disappointment at the lack of communication regarding the trip fee.

ROBERT CARTWRIGHT, SAN DIEGO, General Manager, Sheraton Hotels, spoke in opposition to the AVI trip fee.

CHARLES HOLLADAY, SAN DIEGO, General Manager, Ramada Plaza Hotel, spoke in opposition to the AVI trip fee.

JACK MONGER, SAN DIEGO, representing the San Diego Off Airport Parking Association, spoke in opposition to the AVI trip fee.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - NEW BUSINESS**

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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

**ACTION: Moved by Board Member Finnila and seconded by Board Member Watkins to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2008 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

**2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUESTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS FOR AUTHORIZED TRAVEL OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES:**

Chairperson Bersin stated that this item was placed on the agenda because three Board Members have requested to attend the aviation issues conference in Kona, HI in January. He stated that the current policy only allows two Board Members to travel internationally at one time.

Board Member Watkins suggested there be an addendum to the policy that states that all travel requests should be focused on airport business.

Board Member Finnila noted that Hawaii and Alaska are not recognized as part of the continental United States under the policy, and she stated that the policy should include those two states, as well as Puerto Rico.

Board Member Panknin noted that it is an important conference, and suggested that this particular conference might be accepted as general Board policy. He suggested that a briefing be heard from those who have attended the conference previously.

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, stated that it is important that staff and Board Members attend the ACI Aviation Issues Conference.

Michael Kulis, Director, Inter-Governmental Relations, stated that the Aviation Issues Conference provides Board members with a unique opportunity to discuss aviation issues with key elected and appointed officials. He stated that he could provide a copy of the conference agenda to the Board if desired.

Board Member Panknin suggested that there be an exception to the rule for this conference.

**ACTION: No action taken.**

### **REVIEW OF FUTURE AGENDAS**

#### **3. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER 2, 2008 BOARD MEETING:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, presented the draft Board meeting agenda for October 2, 2008.

Chairperson Bersin noted that the Destination Lindbergh project is moving forward, and the preparations for the Terminal Development Program continue, but no decisions will be made without Board approval.

In response to Board Member Watkins regarding design schemes that include and don't include a parking structure, Ms. Bowens stated that those schemes are part of the design-build phase of the project and the Board's wishes will be observed as the project moves forward.

#### **4. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER 2, 2008 AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION MEETING:**

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, presented the draft agenda for the October 2, 2008 Airport Land Use Commission Meeting.

Chairperson Bersin stated that the attempt to certify the Airport Land use Compatibility Plan (ALUCP) for Marine Corps Air Station Miramar at the last Board meeting brought up the issue of legal constraints on what action the Board can take. He questioned if the Authority should take an active role in the legislation to be sought to remove the constraint.

Breton Lobner, General Counsel, stated that if the Board wished to have a discussion on legislation, it needs to be added to the agenda.

Chairperson Bersin requested that an item be added to the agenda to discuss whether or not the Authority should be involved in the drafting of legislation which could change restrictions associated with ALUCP's.

Board Member O'Connor questioned the Authority's participation in legislation to reduce restrictions in regards to ALUCP's.

Mr. Lobner requested that Item 22, regarding the Britt case, and Item 23, regarding the property at 2722-2724 Truxtun Road, be removed from future Closed Session agendas.

## **BOARD BUSINESS – NEW BUSINESS**

### **5. ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD MEMBERS WRITTEN REPORTS ON THEIR ATTENDANCE AT APPROVED MEETINGS:**

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the report.

**ACTION: Moved by Board Member Finnila and seconded by Board Member Watkins to accept staff's recommendation. Motion carried by the following vote: YES – Bersin, Desmond, Finnila, Miller, Panknin; NO – None; ABSTAIN – Watkins; ABSENT – Boland, Young, Zettel. (Weighted Vote Points: YES – 58; NO – 0; ABSTAIN – 8; ABSENT – 34)**

*Board Member Miller left the dais at 2:08 p.m.*

### **6. DESTINATION LINDBERGH PROGRESS UPDATE:**

Keith Wilschetz, Director, Airport Planning, provided a presentation on Destination Lindbergh, which included an overview of the Memorandum of Agreement; Organizational Chart of Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee; Work Flow; Meetings Held to Date; Assumptions and Considerations; Planning Activity Levels (PAL); Concepts Being Considered; Terminal/ITC Concepts 1-6; Terminal/ITC Concepts Direction; Airfield Concepts A-F; Airfield Concepts Retained; Decision Sequence; Alternatives Development Process; and Future Ad Hoc Policy Committee Meetings.

Board Member Finnila questioned whether the Authority is working under the assumption that we are going to be doing the best thing for aviation at this airport, or are we working under the assumption that we are going to try to incorporate everyone's possibilities under some type of plan.

Board Member Desmond stated that we are trying to protect aviation but at the same time, we are trying to make it a transportation node with other agencies. He stated that nothing has been decided and that we are not lessening aviation at this airport.

In response to Board Member Finnila regarding who is responsible for the transit planning, Mr. Wilschetz stated that transit planning is being done by the group. He stated that the Ad Hoc Committee is advisory to the Board and that the Board will ultimately make the decision.

Board Member Watkins suggested that the third bullet on page 12 of the presentation be revised to read "Washington Street Access will be preserved as best as possible for all parties concerned".

Board Member Desmond requested that an extension of Taxiway C be included with any concept showing terminals on the north side.

Board Member Watkins suggested that all concepts have all mandatory requirements listed with an asterisk.

Board Member Finnila suggested that another bullet be added to Page 11 under General Assumptions that none of the concepts increase capacity at this airport.

Chairperson Bersin stated that Airfield Concept E should be removed from consideration.

Mr. Young reminded the Board that Concept E is the only viable option that has gates on the north side.

*Board Member Finnila left the dais at 3:05 pm.*

In response to Board Member Watkins regarding wording in the MOA about designs for the 10 gates, Ms. Bowens stated that the wording in the staff report for Item 12 makes a clear statement of only moving forward with design as approved by the Board, and staff has had no direction from the Board to begin any construction.

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the report and provide direction.

**ACTION: No action taken.**

**CLOSED SESSION:** The Board did not meet in Closed Session.

- 7. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR:**  
Labor negotiations pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code §54957.6.  
Authority Designated Negotiators: Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO and Jeffrey Woodson, Vice President, Administration.  
Employee Organization: Teamsters 911.
  
- 8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:**  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9(c).  
Number of potential cases: 1 (Nazbest-Pacific).

9. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:**  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9(c).  
Number of potential cases: 1 (Galaxy).
10. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9(b) and (c).  
Number of potential cases: 1 (Contract matter – Soltec Pacific).
11. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a).  
*Britt v. San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, et al.*, San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2007-00072794-CU-MC-CTL.
12. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:**  
Real property negotiations pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code §§54954.5(b) and §54956.8.  
Property: 2722-2724 Truxtun Road (APN 450-841-05-00).  
Agency Negotiators: Vernon D. Evans, Vice President, Finance/Treasurer and Eric Podnieks, Real Estate Manager.  
Negotiating Parties: Truxtun LLC and/or First National Bank.  
Under Negotiation: Purchase agreement – terms of payment, conditions, and purchase price.

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION:**

**PRESIDENT/CEO REPORT**

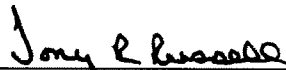
**BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Chairperson Bersin stated that he has requested that the President/CEO send a memo to Board Member Finnila, Chairperson of the Audit Committee, responding to the Committee's request to add public Audit Committee members to the Finance Committee. He stated that there are some legal issues to be considered.

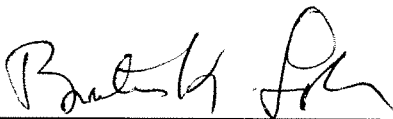
**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m. The next meeting will be held on October 27, 2008 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 SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2008.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
TONY R. RUSSELL  
DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES/  
AUTHORITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
BRETON K. LOBNER  
GENERAL COUNSEL