

**ST CLOUD REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

February 9, 2015

The meeting of the St. Cloud Regional Airport Advisory Board was called to order at 4:34 pm.

I. Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Roger Bonn – Chair
Steve Anderson – Secretary
No Quorum

Liaisons and Guests Present:

Dave Kleis – Mayor, City of St. Cloud	Leigh Lenzmeier – Stearns County
George Hontos – Council, City of St. Cloud	Felix Schmiesing – Sherburne County
Bill Towle – STC Airport Director	Kathi Sims – Haven Township
Lynn Hoff – STC Airport Secretary	Karen Miller–Congressman Emmer’s Office
Paul Adamson – Army Aviation	Paul Strege – Mead & Hunt
Patti Gartland – GSDC	Mark Priglmeier – STC Airport
Brian Meyers – GSDC	

II. Minutes

No quorum to vote on past minutes.

III. Additions to the Agenda

IV. ATC Update/Traffic Counts

- a. General numbers about the same as same month last year.

IV. Old Business

- a. General Service Update:
 - o Mead & Hunt – Joe Pickering conference call in with information on air service and STC situation.
 - Best strategy for now is to focus on niche carriers like Allegiant to expand service. It will be easier to expand Allegiant service then to attract a new carrier.
 - Work on strategy for future daily service.
 - It’s difficult to put meaningful performance limitations on subsidy.
 - Subsidy programs to attract service have seen limited success in carriers remaining in service.

- Allegiant flight load factors are once again strong.
- United Express/Skywest service is being discontinued as of March 1, 2015.
 - Flights reduced to one per day as of February.
 - Last flight February 27, 2015.
- b. Regional Airport Authority
 - GSDC Representatives spoke about initiative to develop an airport authority.
 - Starting to talk to the surrounding counties about the benefits of the airport and the value for them to be involved.
 - County representatives are not very interested in the \$2 million “loan” being pursued by the City to bring back Skywest.

VI. New Business

VII. Other Business

VIII. Next Board Meeting – March 9, 2015

XI. Adjourned 5:45 pm

Steve Anderson
Airport Board Secretary

cc: Airport Advisory Board Members
Airport Directors office