

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

January 12, 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

Mike Salaski

Mahesh Kumar

Ken Raiber

Liaisons and Guests Present:

George Hontos – STC Council

Bill Towle – Airport Director

Lynn Hoff – Airport Secretary

Paul Adamson – Army Aviation

Leigh Lenzmeier - Stearns

Felix Schmiesing – Sherburne

Kathi Sims - Haven

Jake Bauerly – Benton

Karen Miller – Cong Emmer’s Office

Paul Strege – Mead & Hunt

Mark Priglmeier – STC Airport

II. Minutes

Motion to approve December minutes - M/S/P

III. Additions to the Agenda

IV. ATC Update/Traffic Counts

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

V. Old Business

a. Air Service Update

- o Allegiant flight load factors remain good
 - Enplanements over 17,000 for 2014
- o United Express/Skywest service is being discontinued as of March 1, 2015.
 - Flights being reduced to one per day in February.
 - Grant and private subsidy dollars are used up and they feel load factor is not acceptable.
 - Many service reliability problems cited but not acknowledged by SkyWest.
- o Many alternatives discussed including TSA cleared bus service to MSP, more leisure destinations, etc.

- b. Capital Projects Update
 - Runway 13/31 extension project is still on track for next year
 - Parking lot expansion plans being reevaluated; however, environmental studies are in motion to be ready in case of future needs.

- c. Airport Security
 - Most badges are now updated.

VI. New Business

- a. Regional Airport Authority
 - The idea of setting up a regional airport authority is getting new emphasis to provide a larger support base both politically and financially.

VII. Other Business

VIII. Next Board Meeting – February 9, 2015

XI. Adjourned 5:45 pm

Steve Anderson
Airport Board Secretary

cc: Airport Advisory Board Members
Airport Directors office