



North Dakota Aeronautics Commission

Wednesday, September 16, 2015
Gladstone Inn, Jamestown, ND
1:00 pm

Chairman Lindquist called the meeting of the North Dakota Aeronautics Commission to order at 1:00 pm CST on Wednesday, September 16, 2015.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Jay B. Lindquist, Chairman
Warren Pietsch, Member
Maurice Cook, Member
Kim Kenville, Member
Cindy Schreiber-Beck

STAFF PRESENT:

Kyle Wanner, Director
Malinda Weninger, Admin. Officer
Mike McHugh, Education Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jon Simmers, Chairman, ND Aviation Council
Roger Pfeiffer, Member, ND Aviation Council
Don Larson, ND Aviation Council

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Minutes – Minutes of the August 11, 2015 meeting were reviewed and accepted as printed.

Director Monthly Recap - Kyle reviewed the Director's monthly recap for August 6 – September 11, 2015. Discussion held on various events.

Educational Grants – Mike McHugh presented the following Educational Grants:

ED16-05 – ND Aviation Council - Mike explained that this grant request was submitted in draft form until after the Council met earlier today at which time a formal request was submitted. Mike explained that the Council had met and their formal request is for \$ 11,500 for speaker's fees and an estimated \$ 6,750 to allow for 150 students at \$ 45 per day. Discussion held. **Kim moved to grant \$ 3,000 towards speaker fees and up to \$6,750 for student admission. Cindy seconded the motion. Discussion held. Kim rescinded her motion.**

Warren moved to grant \$ 10,000 towards speaker's fees and reimburse \$ 45.00 per student per day up to \$5,000. Cindy seconded the motion, Roll call vote: Maurice – yeah, Kim – no, Warren – yeah, Cindy – no, J.B. - yeah. Motion carried.

ED16-06 – Women in Aviation – Mike McHugh reviewed the grant request for the Girls in Aviation Day to be held in September. Kim Kenville provided more information on it and reviewed the proposed budget.

Maurice moved, Cindy seconded, to fund 100% which is \$ 500.00 for the Girls in Aviation grant request. Roll Call Vote: Maurice – yes, Warren - yes, Cindy – yes, Kim – abstain. Motion carried.

Carrington Grant – Kyle reviewed the airport grant request from Carrington asking for \$ 8,205.00 or 90% cost share for replacing the DCP Unit in the AWOS system. Discussion. **Maurice moved and Kim seconded to award \$ 8,205.00 to Carrington for the unit for the AWOS System. Roll Call Vote: Maurice – yeah, Kim – yeah, Warren – yeah, Cindy – yeah. Motion carried.**

IPG Engineer Selection – Kyle stated that it was time for the Commission do to an engineering selection for the Peace Garden Airport. He reviewed that requests for proposals went out and that four firms had replied. He stated that a committee went through the selection process and Interstate Engineering came out on top. **Kim moved to accept the committee’s selection of Interstate Engineering as consultant for the Peace Garden Airport. Cindy seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Maurice – yeah, Kim – yeah, Warren – yeah, Cindy – yeah. Motion carried.**

Administrative Law - Kyle updated the Commission on the status of the proposed administrative law changes and that there have been no oral or verbal comments to date. The public hearing session for the proposed changes will take place September 17th at 9:00am.

MN DOT UAS Registration policy – Discussion was held regarding Minnesota’s policy to register unmanned aircraft. The commission noted that at some point in the future when the FAA is able to provide more concrete guidelines regarding the utilization of unmanned aircraft, that the commission will need to visit with the Governor’s office and state legislature regarding the need have commercial use unmanned aircraft pay the excise tax and aircraft registration fee.

Aircraft Registration Proposal – Kyle explained that he had come up with a new proposal regarding the aircraft registration fee increase. The new proposal keeps that fees as they currently are but suggested that the sentence that reduces the fees 10% per year be removed from Century Code. Aircraft registration fees have not changed since 1987 and this new proposal would be the first increase in 30 years.

Warren moved to approve the filing of the proposal as a new aircraft registration bill for next legislative session. Cindy seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Maurice – yeah, Kim – yeah, Cindy – yeah, Warren – yeah. Motion carried.

Old Business – ED1-01 – Mid Dakota Planetarium grant request – Mike reported that this grant was on hold until a later date – possibly November.

Aviation Hall of Fame Committee – Kyle stated that he would like the Commission to select a member to serve on the Aviation Hall of Fame Committee noting that JB has served most recently.. **Kim moved to nominate JB as the member of the Hall of Fame representing the Commission. Cindy seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Maurice – yeah, Warren – yeah, Cindy – yeah, Kim – yeah. Motion carried.**

Next Meeting – Telecom – Wednesday, October 14, 2015 – 3:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.