



# PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## MINUTES

**Thursday, April 20, 2017**

Chairperson Chuck Collins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at the City of Carlsbad Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California.

### **ROLL CALL**

The roll call was taken.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson Chuck Collins, Ron Cozad, Gordon Nesbitt, Tom Ricotta, Ron Lovick and Dan Frazee were present, which represented a quorum. Vice Chairperson Cliff Kaiser and Cal Weeks joined the meeting in progress.

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

John O'Reilly was absent.

### **COUNTY STAFF PRESENT**

Present were Peter Drinkwater, Olivier Brackett, Laura Estrada, Jessica Turner and Lee Ann Lardy.

### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Dr. Joshua Feder, psychiatrist, commented regarding the noise from the airplanes at Palomar Airport. He supports educating students and pilots. Mr. Collins welcomed Dr. Feder and advised that the committee does address some of his concerns.

Mr. Rock Swanson advised that the outreach efforts continue to occur. He stated he joined Jessica Tuner in a presentation to a group of Realtors so they could better answer questions from clients.

Mr. Graham Thorley presented a document to the PAAC committee members and commented on his concern of the new Metroplex flight paths that have been implemented at Palomar Airport. Mr. Collins acknowledged that the document was received.

### **APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2017 MEETING**

The PAAC members reviewed the minutes for the February 2017 meeting. Mr. Frazee moved the minutes be approved, which they were with Mr. Cozad abstaining.

Mr. Thorley commented that he feels that meeting minutes have improved.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – P. Drinkwater

Mr. Drinkwater advised he did not have a report but was available for questions.

### **REAL PROPERTY REPORT – GREAT LAKES AIRLINES-** L. Lardy

Ms. Lee Ann Lardy advised that TSA has approved the County's request of Federal Screening Resources and Other Requirements (FSROR) and will be reinstalling equipment approximately May 1st. She also advised that Great Lakes Airlines is working on allocating resources such as staff and equipment to Palomar Airport. The County expects Great Lakes Airlines will set a start date begin to promote services within the next 30 days.

Mr. Cozad asked what type of aircraft Great Lakes will be using. Mr. Collins answered that Great Lakes Airline would be using Beechcraft 1900 and the Brasilia 120.

Mr. Lovick asked if there is a busy season for the commercial airlines. Ms. Lardy answered summer has an increase.

### **THRESHOLD PRESENTATION** – C. Collins

Mr. Collins provided a presentation on runway basics. The presentation was given in response to the request from the public. The scope of the presentation included runway basics such as displaced thresholds, landings, departures and different runways. Mr. Collins also explained some of the changes that could possibly be made in the Master Plan.

Dr. Feder asked if with these changes this may mean the flight paths would be displaced further north. Mr. Collins answered yes, by 100 feet.

Mr. Lovick asked about the functional relationship between airports with county and city airports. Mr. Drinkwater advised that there is not one single authority as each is handled independently.

Mr. Thorley pointed out differences between Mr. Collins presentation and the Master Plan presentations regarding runway capability. Mr. Collins acknowledged weight-bearing capability is complicated. Mr. Thorley stated his concern Palomar could get very large aircraft, such as the A-320. Mr. Brackett advised this is not possible because that even if runway could support large aircraft the wing-span would still be an issue. Mr. Thorley also asked about the west end of runway

### **AIRPORT MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT** – J. Turner

Report for March 2017:

- ➔ Monthly Operations Count: 14,314
- ➔ Annual Operations Count: 37,469
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Enplanements: 0
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Throughput: 0
- ➔ Annual Air Carrier Total Passengers: 0
- ➔ Monthly Concerns: 343
- ➔ Annual Concerns: 737
- ➔ Community Noise Concerns by area: Southwest: 178; Southeast: 60; Northwest: 62; Northeast: 43
- ➔ Jet Flights during quiet hours (2200-0700): 81
- ➔ Propeller Flights during quiet hours (0000-0600): 14

Ms. Turner advised staff gave a presentation at the Ocean Hills community. She also gave two presentations to two different groups of realtors, giving them information about their airport they could use to help their clients.

Ms. Turner reported staff is trying to coordinating a presentation from the FAA at the June PAAC meeting to provide general information about air traffic at Palomar Airport.

Mr. Frazee requested an explanation of the raw data vs analyzed data. Ms. Turner explained raw data includes all of the concerns received of aircraft that utilized Palomar Airport in some way. Analyzed data excludes the top 3 callers as over the years it was determined that the top 3 households could skew the data. She advised that she also looks for patterns and changes.

Mr. Thorley requested clarifications why Ms. Turner reported she could not tell who was taking off. Mr. Collins clarified that she can usually tell, but was not able to identify one specific complaint that month. Mr. Brackett clarified that Palomar Airport has 24/7 security and when the tower is closed security logs flights during those hours. However, for this one complaint neither the security nor the radar had records of this aircraft.

### **STAFF REPORT** – O. Brackett

Mr. Brackett advised The Wings of Freedom Tour is scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm – May 7<sup>th</sup>. The public can tour the aircraft or take a flight, all with different fees. Terminal planter work is in process and new plants will be planted.

Mr. Brackett also advised that a 10 inch water line broke on the terminal ramp and County of San Diego is working with the city of Carlsbad to fix that.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. Frazee commented that the City of Carlsbad council meeting reported on a 2016 public opinions survey about services and quality of life. The survey did not include any questions regarding Palomar Airport.

Mr. Kaiser commented on concerns of the PAAC and staff not doing anything regarding noise at the airport. Mr. Brackett clarified PAAC and the County of San Diego do not have jurisdiction over these flight paths, the FAA does.

**SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON MAY 18, 2017**

No items were given by PAAC members.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

By: Laura Estrada  
Laura Estrada, Administrative Secretary I