



# PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Thomas Ricotta  
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Vacant  
*Carlsbad Representative*

Kevin Karpé  
*San Marcos Representative*

## MINUTES

**Thursday, May 16, 2019**

Chairman Chuck Collins called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. on Thursday, May 16, 2019, at the City of San Marcos Council Chambers, 1 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos, CA, 92069.

### **ROLL CALL**

The roll call was taken.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gordon Nesbitt, Jim Swain, Chuck Collins, Cliff Kaiser, Kevin Karpé, Dan Frazee, John O'Reilly and Tom Ricotta were present, which represented a quorum.

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

No members were absent.

### **COUNTY STAFF PRESENT**

Present were Olivier Brackett, Roger Griffiths, Shawn Raysin, and Elena Espinoza.

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

Mr. Bender followed up on his requests regarding CPA's lease assignment reviewed, safety issues to be addressed and for flights to be environmentally assessed. Mr. Bender also commented on a complaint against CPA from a former mechanic.

Mr. Thorley requested that the County look into CPA's financial status with the two airports they previously serviced.

Mr. Swanson, President of Palomar Airport Association and a lead representative for the San Diego FAA's safety team (FAASTeam), advised, the Palomar Airport Association will be co-sponsoring with FAASTeam for the first Wings Credited Safety Seminar on June 5, 2019 at 7:00pm. He is anticipating this seminar occur on a quarterly basis.

### **APPROVE MINUTES FOR APRIL 2019 MEETING**

The PAAC members reviewed the minutes for the April meeting.

Mr. Karpé requested a change to be made on page 5, agenda item 15, Paragraph 3. Mr. Frazee moved the minutes be approved as amended, Mr. Ricotta seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Mr. Bender requested clarification on who the current Western-Pacific Region Regional Administrator is, Mr. Karpé advised that the current administrator is Raquel Girvin.

### **AIRPORTS DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – R. Griffiths

Mr. Griffiths advised that on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 9:00am the Board of Supervisors will be considering the appointment of Mr. Winthrop Cramer to represent the City of Carlsbad.

### **CONVERGENCE INSTRUMENTS NOISE MONITORING PILOT** – C. Kaiser

Mr. Kaiser invited, Dr. Bruno Paillard, the founder of Convergence Instruments to present his noise monitoring pilot program.

Dr. Paillard provided a presentation on Convergence Instruments noise monitoring pilot program, as well as, answered questions from the committee members and the public.

Mr. O'Reilly requested for County staff to brief the committee on what the requirements are for noise monitoring measurements at Palomar.

Mr. Brackett and Mr. Griffiths advised the committee that County staff will look into it.

### **AIRPORT MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT** – S. Raysin

Report for April 2019:

- Monthly Airline Passengers: 0
- Annual Airline Passengers: 0
- Monthly Take-Offs and Landings: 11,185
- Annual Take-Offs and Landings: 44,876
- Monthly Complaints: 349
- Annual Complaints: 898
- Community Noise Complaints by Quadrant: Southwest: 176; Southeast: 4; Northwest: 138; Northeast: 31
- Jet Flights during quiet hours (2200-0700): 66
- Propeller Flights during quiet hours (0000-0600): 14

Mr. Raysin received comments and answered questions from the committee members and the public.

Mr. Bender requested a copy of the voluntary noise abatement procedures (VNAP) letters that were sent out in the month of April. He also asked about helicopter hush kits and if NextGen is being implemented at Palomar.

Mr. Griffiths acknowledged the public records act (PRA) request but was not sure on the exact amount of letters that were sent out and he would first have to review the County's privacy policy. He also stated he can put some enterprise money towards research on hush kits but the Federal Government is in charge of it. Mr. Griffiths also clarified that the FAA is in charge of NextGen not COSD.

### **PAAC RULES OF PROCEDURE UPDATE** – C. Kaiser

Vice Chairman Kaiser discussed the rules of procedure, he suggested some modifications in regards to having better dialogue with the public.

The committee members discussed different alternatives as to improving the communication with the public and at the same time maintaining structure during PAAC meetings.

Mr. Bender stated he supports Mr. Kaiser and would like for these modifications to be tested for a few months to see if it helps.

Mr. Thorley stated he would like to have a more open meeting.

Mr. Griffiths advised the committee, he can provide a working document of the rules of procedure to Vice Chairman Kaiser were he can make adjustments and bring a draft copy of the committee for discussion.

### **STAFF REPORT** – O. Brackett

Mr. Brackett announced the Wings of Freedom had an excellent year with five aircraft, 53 paid flights and 227 people who purchased tickets to fly. He thanked Mr. Rock Swanson and the Palomar Airport Association for all their help and support.

Mr. Brackett received comments and answered questions from the committee.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Chairman Collins stated he attended the Carlsbad City Council meeting, where he believes inaccurate comments were stated. He also provided a copy of the letter from the County of San Diego to the City of Carlsbad responding to a claim that the County of San Diego violated the Brown Act.

PAAC members discussed their views on the City of Carlsbad meeting. The committee received comments from the public.

Vice Chairman Kaiser advised the City of Vista will be hosting their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Strawberry Festival on Sunday May 26, 2019.

**SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING** – June 20, 2019

Vice Chairman Kaiser requested the Rules of Procedure discussion to continue.

Mr. Karpé stated he is anticipating for FAA Regional Administrator to come for a briefing in August.

Mr. O'Reilly requested a motion item to not make any changes to the Rules of Procedure.

Mr. Brackett asked the committee to submit their bios to Elena Espinoza.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Swain moved the meeting be adjourned, Mr. Ricotta seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm.

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