

## OCONEE COUNTY AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

**Date/Time:** January 15, 2015 at 5:30pm

**Location:** 365 Airport Road Seneca, SC 29678

**Members Present:** Randy Renz, Mike Gray, Eddie Perry, David Bryant, Dan Schmiedt, Ron Chiles,

**Additional Attendees:** Sam Carver, Cookie Fitch, Rob Akins, Dan Suddeth

**Media Present:** Dick Mangrum (WGOG), Ray Chandler

**Call to Order:** Mr. Renz called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

**Introduction of New Airport Director:** Mr. Renz introduced Mr. Sam Carver as the new Airport Director

**Approval of December 2014 Minutes:** postponed approval to February 2015 meeting

**Airport Directors Report:** Mr. Sam Carver provided the ADR focusing on all FBO activity and retail sales. He will add fuel gallons to his report from this point forward. Also, Mr. Carver stated the runway may close during night operations for 2 nights for the Stub-Taxiway project. He will advise Commission more details at a later date.

**COAA Report:** None

**Old Business:** Mr. Carver will prepare a draft Strategic Business Plan to review at next meeting

**New Business:** A) Election of Aeronautics Commission Officers:

Chairman: Randy Renz was nominated by Dan Schmiedt with the second provided by Eddie Perry

Vice Chairman: Dan Schmiedt was nominated by Ron Chiles with the second provided by Randy Renz

Secretary: Mike Gray

B) Aeronautics Commission At-Large Vacancy: To be appointed by County Council. All Commissioners will contact their Councilman to offer assistance if needed.

C) Aeronautics Commission 2015 Meeting Schedule: Draft scheduled provided.

Mr. Perry offered a motion to adopt with Mr. Chiles providing the second. All members concurred.

D) Airport Focus 2015: Mr. Carver will be focusing on safety, compliance, economic development, and community outreach.

**Commission Member Comments:** Round Table discussion/Ideas

Mr. Perry: 1. Start up a new Flying Club at OCRA. 2. Fix or refurbish conference room chairs- the prison system refurbishes office furniture at low cost. 3. Airport website needs improvements with additional links.

Mr. Bryant: Would like for the group to decide how much effort needs to focus on further runway extension.

Mr. Gray: Need for further study of financials to build additional hangars at OCRA with improved pay back ratios.

Mr. Renz: Airport website needs improvements. He would also like to see a study of fuel pricing in order to maintain competitiveness.

**Public Comments:** None

**Next Meeting:** February 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

**Adjournment:** There being no other business, Mr. Renz asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gray gave the motion with Mr. Perry providing the second. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mike Gray

Prepared by: Melinda Anderson

