

**SOUTH DAKOTA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
TELECONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2018 – 1:00 P.M.
BECKER-HANSEN BUILDING – 700 EAST BROADWAY
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Eric Odenbach, Chairman
Robert Huggins, Member
Christopher Funk, Member
Dave Luers, Member
Travis Lantis, Member (joined meeting at 1:29 p.m.)

DOT STAFF PRESENT: Joel Jundt, Karla Engle, Jack Dokken, Jennifer Boehm, Jon Becker, and Patricia Saukel

OTHERS PRESENT

VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Justin Johnson – Skylancer Aviation, unknown individual(s)

Chairman Odenbach called the meeting of the South Dakota Aeronautics Commission (the “Commission”) to order at 1:19 p.m. with a quorum present.

Chairman Odenbach opened the floor to Commission members to disclose potential conflicts of interest and to present requests for waivers pursuant to South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) chapter 3-23.

No conflicts of interest were disclosed and no waivers were requested.

Chairman Odenbach asked for a motion to approve the minutes of January 23, 2018.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Funk and seconded by Luers. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Deputy Secretary Joel Jundt of the Department of Transportation (the “Department”) had two items for the Secretary’s Report. The first item on the federal side was an update that Congress passed an Appropriations bill last week. The omnibus bill will fund the federal government for the remainder of the year through September 30, 2018. On the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) side, the bill provided funding for the program and extended the FAA program through September 30, 2018. It also injected one billion dollars of general fund dollars into the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) which will be a discretionary funds grant program. The Department will be in touch with the FAA in the next couple of months as more information is available.

The second item that Jundt presented was on the State side. Jundt updated the Commission that HB 1258 passed by the State Legislature was signed by the Governor last week. Jundt reminded

the Commission that the Commission had agreed to create an ad hoc committee to move forward with review of the language in SDCL Title 50. Jundt will gather information about potential organizations and individuals who may be interested in serving on this committee and the Commission can make decisions on the make-up of the committee at a later meeting.

Travis Lantis joined the meeting via conference call at 1:29 p.m.

Jack Dokken, Program Manager for the Office of Air, Rail & Transit introduced Jennifer Boehm to present the consideration of 2018 Air Venture Cup (Race Launch) funding request. The race is scheduled for July 21-22, 2018, at the Mitchell Airport. Boehm said the race is conducted every two years and the Mitchell Airport has requested and received donations from the Aeronautics Commission/Aeronautics Trust Fund since 2008. The City of Mitchell is requesting the Commission consider supporting this event with a \$3,000.00 grant this year.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Odenbach and seconded by Huggins to provide funding to the Air Venture Cup (Race Launch) in the amount of \$2,500.00. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Boehm presented the consideration of Aircraft Dealer License renewal for Justin Johnson of Skylancer Aviation. Johnson has been a dealer since 2014 and has had four aircraft listed as part of his dealership since then. The Department recommends Johnson be allowed to continue as a dealer for the next two years.

An unknown individual(s) joined the conference at 1:45 p.m.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Funk and seconded by Luers to waive the requirement of selling and/or brokering six (6) aircraft in the past 24-month period for Justin Johnson of Skylancer Aviation and extend his aircraft dealer license for two (2) years. All present voted aye by roll call vote, except for Odenbach who voted nay. The motion carried.

Jon Becker of the Office of Air, Rail & Transit presented as an informational item the South Dakota State University (SDSU) Simulator Update received from Cody Christensen, Program Coordinator. It was noted that SDSU was thankful for the support and commitment of the Commission.

Becker presented the informational item of the Aviation Education Flash Drive. Becker said that the Department had posted the flash drive announcement on the Department's Facebook page and through that source, Becker has received about six (6) requests for the flash drives. He has also had requests from the Dakota Flight School in Mitchell and the SD Discovery Center. Through their programs, a few hundred have been sent to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programs. Altogether about 600 flash drives have been distributed to students through various classes and organizations.

Boehm presented an informational update on the Airports Conference in Deadwood scheduled for April. Boehm provided schedule changes for the agenda and asked the Commissioners for hotel reservation confirmations.

With no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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