

NEVADA AIRPORT MANAGERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
General Membership Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2008
CasaBlanca Resort
Mesquite, Nevada

1. **Call to Order and Seek Quorum** - The meeting was called to order by President Joni Eastley at 9:00 a.m. It was established there was a quorum.
2. **President's Report** - Joni Eastley gave a report on the success of holding quarterly meetings of the Executive Board. The most recent meeting was held in Mesquite on 4/20/08. Eastley reported on the success of the NAMA table at the Reno Air Races.

She reported the Executive Board agreed a lobbyist was a necessary part of the NAMA mission and function, and so agreed to hire James Braswell at \$300/month March 1 to 12/30/08, then \$500 per month from 1/1/09 through 6/30/09. He will be developing legislative strategies and lobbying, also working on the 501(c) 3 status. A copy of the contract will be provided to the membership by Eastley.

Jim Clague and Jim Braswell conducted the Financial Audit. Jim Clague reported the books were in order and they were satisfied. Due to a misunderstanding, Wendy Rudder was not notified of the audit.

Eastley reported on the NAMA website and working with CNS and NDOT Aviation. Any suggestions or comments should be sent to Bill Thompson or Matt Furedy.

3. **Approve Minutes of March 25, 2007 General Membership Meeting** - Eastley emailed copies of the minutes to each member after the March 2007 meeting was held. The current draft includes changes or corrections submitted in email responses by the membership. Jim Braswell made the motion to approve the minutes. Jim Clague seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Treasurer's Report** - Dianne Bartmess reported on the financial statement which will be included as a permanent part of this record. The beginning balance January 1, 2008 was \$12,931.77. Income between January 1 and March 22, 2007 was \$12,510.00. Expenses for the same period totaled \$7,323.47. The Ending Fund Balance April 18, 2008 was \$15,166.30. The current value of the CD is \$12,924.00. Total deposits including general fund and the CD are \$28,090.30 for period ending April 18, 2008.
5. **Payment of 2008 Conference Fees** – Steve Tackes made the motion to pay the conference fees. Motion seconded by Jim Braswell. Motion carried.

6. **Appoint/Reappoint Audit Committee** – Joni Eastley stated there was confusion on who was on the committee. It was apparently Jim Clague, Jim Braswell, and Wendy Rudder, not Yvonne Weaver as stated in the minutes. Eastley stated at the Chair's pleasure she would like to see the current Audit Committee of Jim Clague, Jim Braswell and Wendy Rudder reappointed. Discussion followed that Jim Braswell should not be on the Audit Committee as he is now paid by NAMA. Kay Bennett volunteered to take serve on the Audit Committee.
7. **Election of Officers (Two-Year Terms)** – Eastley discussed the President-Elect correction of term, which should be 2009-2011. The President-Elect is Trent Moyers.

Eastley stated she has been serving as both President and Secretary. She thought it would be beneficial to have someone else serve as Secretary. Jim Braswell nominated Wendy Rudder as Secretary. Tyler Mason seconded the nomination and it passed unanimously.

Wendy Rudder nominated Dianne Bartmess as Treasurer. Jim Braswell seconded the nomination and it passed unanimously.

There was an error in the agenda regarding selecting two Associate Director positions it should say three. Dave Austin, Stacy Howard and Wes Waltenspiel are currently serving. Steve Tackes nominated them. Lynn Forsberg seconded the nomination and it passed unanimously.

Nancy Boland nominated Freddi Comperchio and Ryan Pritchert. Tyler Mason seconded the nomination and it passed unanimously.

8. **Approve Bylaws to Allow Electronic Voting** – Steve Tackes presented the proposal. Discussion followed on participation required and expected. If there is no quorum at the end of the voting period the motion dies. 50% of the general membership required to act on the motion. It was requested that members alert the Secretary if they are going to be out of the area/country. Discussion followed that we need correct email addresses. Steve Tackes made the motion to adopt the Bylaw change to allow Electronic voting. Dave Austin seconded. Motion carried.
9. **Change Name of Organization**- Dianne Bartmess reported the committee was well received at the Reno Air Races. She stated there was a perception of the public that this organization was just for managers. Jim Braswell suggested changing it to aviation instead of airports. Stacy discouraged that for lobbying concerns. It should be something associated with airport wording. Wendy Rudder asked how we could help the aviators understand they belong in this organization. Eastley said that is a function of the Membership Chairman. Discussion followed on adopting an official Byline. Steve Tackes made the motion to change the name to Nevada Airports Association. Jim Braswell seconded. Motion carried. Discussion followed on what the abbreviation of the name would be – NVAA

(suggestions said it sounded like NBAA). Several other variations of the abbreviation were discussed, including calling it NV Double A. Jim Braswell recommended a committee study this and then look at marketing. Steve Tackes amended his motion to change the name to Nevada Airports Association including NVAA as the abbreviation and adopt a short slogan after the name and he will amend the Articles. Jim Braswell seconded. The motion carried with one Nay.

10. **Change Bylaws to Add Membership Classifications** -Discussion followed on adding different categories of membership and membership of those not involved in aviation. Eastley discussed the change in NACO that included NAMA and other organizations. Stacy Howard stated she felt associate memberships covers this. Discussion followed that students have not been included. Dianne Bartmess asked about a membership for Sister Organizations. Joni Eastley stated NVAA is a member of the AZ organization. Steve Tackes stated he was not comfortable with non-aviation people being a member. Kay Bennett discussed the need for people who are or would be stakeholders. Matt Furedy recommended including a student classification. Stacy recommended a task force to work with Yvonne Weaver to include "Student". Matt Furedy and Stacy Howard will work with Yvonne Weaver. No action was taken.

11. **Change Bylaws to Extend Voting Rights to Associate and Corporate Members** – Joni Eastley discussed the fact that Corporate Members have Executive Board voting privileges. Nancy Boland asked what the negatives might be. Steve Tackes said this was an evolutionary process. He did not see any reason not to include this. Matt Furedy said the Executive Board is limited to two Corporate Members. Discussion followed on the pros and cons of changing adding Corporate member voting. Discussion followed allowing only 1 vote from Corporate. Steve Tackes made the motion to amend the Bylaws to extend voting rights to Associate and Corporate members so long as they constitute less than half of the regular members. Kay Bennett asked him to consider 1 vote for Corporate or Associate of the same company. Steve Tackes amended his motion to amend the Bylaws to extend voting rights to 1 Associate and Corporate member so long as they constitute less than half of the regular members. Max Bartmess seconded. Motion carried.

12. **2009 Legislative Session and Plans to Proceed** – Jim Braswell reviewed current Utah Legislation. He discussed concerns that the State of Nevada has a large budget issue. He recommended lobbying now, be there early. He also recommended developing a brochure and developing a database. He will be working with Stacy and the State and look at FAA future funding. Stacy Howard commented on the Utah legislation and a proposal that would add an additional tax. She stated AOPA would not support this. She supports identifying taxes that are in place and direct them to aviation's benefit. Discussion followed on the importance of working with the county assessors on the personal property tax levied on aircraft.

13. **Nye County High School Aviation Field Trip** – Dianne Bartmess presented the request for assistance with an educational field trip to Hawaii. She reported the students are all pursuing post high school careers in aviation. Joni Eastley said they would also be completing course work in aviation for college credits. Jim Braswell suggested the Board give letters of introduction in Hawaii and have the group report at the next NAMA meeting. Nancy Boland suggested they provide pictures for the NAMA newsletter. Steve Tackes made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$500 with the actual amount determined by the Executive Committee. Skip Polak seconded. Discussion followed that some corporations might like a copy of the letter so they could help. Eastley reported the group has done a lot of fund raising such as bake sales, spaghetti dinners and many other fundraisers. She reported a couple of the students have been nominated for Air Force Academy. Discussion followed they may need up to \$5,000. Dianne Bartmess stated she would like to see \$1,000. Steve Tackes amended his motion to approve \$1,000 with a follow up report requested at the next meeting. Skip Polak amended his second. Motion carried. Bill Thompson asked if the funds would be returned if for some reason the group could not go. Discussion followed. Eastley stated she would tell them. Discussion followed there should be a press release regarding this. Joni will work on this. The motion carried.
14. **Aviation Trust Fund** – Bill Thompson said the Aviation License Plate has \$48,000. NATAC has the decision on who and when to spend this. Let him know how to recommend the disbursement handling.
15. **2009 Tenth Annual Conference Committee** – Joni Eastley discussed the conference being held in Carson City during the Legislative sessions. The last one did not result in establishment of the trust fund, but provided good contacts. Dianne Bartmess discussed the conference committee – Bill Thompson, Freddi Comperchio, Kay Bennett, Yvonne Weaver, and Dianne Bartmess. Bill Vandenberg is Vice President in charge of conferences. Max Bartmess nominated the committee as stated. Nancy Boland seconded the nomination and the nomination passed unanimously.

There being no further business and no objections, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Approved _____

Attest: _____ Secretary