

Wyoming Airport Operators Association  
General Membership Meeting  
Cheyenne, Wyoming  
January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005

**Call to Order:**

8:10 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mike Becker motioned to approve the minutes from the Saratoga, Wyoming general membership meeting. George Larsen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Dave Haring, Treasurer explained the report. Dave advised for the period September 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004 the revenue totaled \$17,185.00. Expenses for the same period totaled \$24,020.71. Total earning for the money market account for the same period were \$65.78. WAOA cash account balance as of December 31, 2004 was \$16,656.91. Total cash assets on the previous treasurers report were \$64,436.52. Total cash assets as of December 31st, 2004 were \$57,166.59. This represents a net loss of \$7,269.93. Jay Lundell motioned to approve the treasurers report. Chance Warne seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Conference Schedule**

The next conference will be held in Gillette, Wyoming. While the dates at this time are unknown, it is anticipated that the conference will be held between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week in September.

**Legislative Update**

Dan Mann presented the following issues for the legislative update:

- 1) House Bill 6 – Transportation Enterprise Fund
  - a. Some individuals are proposing that airports are removed from consideration for Transportation Enterprise funds
  - b. It appears as though the bill will fail to pass committee.
- 2) House Bill 24 – Sales and Use Tax Exemption
  - a. The bill is currently in the revenue committee
  - b. Seeking tax exemptions for general aviation aircraft and FAA certified repair stations.
- 3) House Bill 53 – Air Service Enhancement
  - a. Appears as though \$3,000,000 will be appropriated for Air Service Enhancement and administration fees.
  - b. The bill had 100% approval coming out of committee
- 4) House Bill 166 – Loans for Airport Development
  - a. Loan program has been increased to \$10,000,000
  - b. Pete Illoway is attempting to address the issues with the interest rate
- 5) Title X adjustments
  - a. Cleans up language and, specifically, removes debt limits
- 6) Airport Police Departments
  - a. Although it is having difficulty passing the house, this bill seeks to allow airports to have their own police departments.

### **Old Baldy Club Rotation**

WAOA has received a great deal of positive comments from the Old Baldy conference. George Larsen commented that he would like to see WAOA visit Old Baldy every other year. However, the survey results that Dave conducted had confusing language as to exactly what every other year, every two years, etc. actually meant. Dan Mann stated that while WAOA did lose money at the Saratoga conference, sponsorships and fees could be adjusted to avoid that happening in the future. Dave will send out another questionnaire with clearer language and the rotation dates will be formalized in Gillette.

### **From the Floor:**

No comments were made

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Membership Drive Update**

Dave stated that all past WAOA members should have received the renewal information by now. Thus far, about 85 members have responded and paid. Overall, this is a great start for January.

### **By Law Revisions**

Dan Mann explained that the Bylaws were updated 3 years ago and have not been looked at since. In consideration of keeping these bylaws current, it would be a good idea to have the bylaws on each agenda. Additionally, a question has been raised regarding the 1 airport/1 vote rule. Specifically, what is to happen when there is more than 1 airport representative on the Board of Directors? Dan explained that language would be worked up to change the bylaws and would be presented at the Gillette meeting. The change is anticipated to maintain the 1 airport/1 vote rule in general membership meetings, but allow for more than 1 vote within the board of directors.

### **Budget Approval**

Dave Haring explained the process that was used to create the proposed budget and went over the numbers. Gary Thompson made a motion to approve the budget. John Stopka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Nominations Elections**

The following officers were presented in a slate to the general membership:

Past President: Dan Mann  
President: Chance Warne  
Vice President: Dave Haring  
Secretary/Treasurer: Mike Becker  
Air Carrier Rep: John Stopka  
GA Rep: Eugene Briggs

### **Adjournment**

Jay Lundell made a motion to adjourn. Mike Becker seconded the motion. Motion Passed.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

---

**Dan Mann, President**

---

**Date**

---

**David Haring, Sec/Tres.**

---

**Date**