

Governance Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 7, 2023

Pursuant to notice duly given and posted, the Governance Committee meeting of the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority was called to order on Thursday, September 7, 2023 in the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority Board Room located in the Syracuse Hancock International Airport by SRAA Chair, Ms. Jo Anne Gagliano.

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 a.m. by SRAA Chair Gagliano.

Members Present

Ms. Jo Anne Gagliano
Mr. Nick Paro
Mr. Michael Lazar
Mr. Thomas Fernandez
Mr. Kenneth Kinsey
Mr. Nathaniel Stevens

Members Absent

Committee Chair – Mr. Michael Frame

Also Present

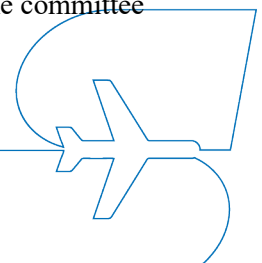
Mr. Jason Terreri – Via Teams
Ms. Robin Watkins
Ms. Debi Marshall
Ms. Joanne Clancy
Mr. Jason Mehl
Mr. John Clark
Ms. Erin

Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting:

SRAA Chair Gagliano reminded the committee that she would be chairing this meeting in the absence of Vice Chair, and Governance Committee Chair, Mr. Frame. She asked the Committee to review the past committee minutes and waive the reading and adopt the minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Lazar and seconded by Mr. Stevens and was unanimously approved to accept the minutes from the March 2, 2023, Governance Committee meeting.

New Business

A Review of the Financial Disclosure form was discussed and handed out to the committee members for collection per ABO requirements. The SRAA Mission statement and performance measurements were reviewed and approved by the committee with no further comments. Ms. Clancy explained what the yearly requirements are for the Governance Committee to cover in meetings yearly. The SRAA Mission Statement was recently approved and the member evaluation form is no longer needed as the committee decided previously. All questions were answered.



Current and future legislative priorities for the SRAA were discussed. Ms. Erin Elliott, from The Hill East Group updated the committee on issues related to efforts with local, state and federal elected officials. Director Terreri stated that the landside funding is the top priority and that the SRAA will need assistance with advocating on behalf of the airport and is looking for support from both the SRAA Board and the Regional Advisory Board towards those efforts.

Director Terreri went through a series of slides describing federal priorities with the landside project as the top priority; land exchange with the 174th ATKW, there is a piece of property they would like to exchange with us for use for their training. This would be a beneficial trade for both parties and the third priority is an exciting project, with SYR being a Center of Excellence for Advance Air Mobility (AAM). NuAir has moved their offices from Griffis Air Base to SYR. The Master Plan identifies an AAM vehicle runway specific to these vehicles and in support of the 174th ATKW. SYR would be the only airport that has this type of structure with fully integrated drones in the country. A meeting is being held in October with Federal agencies to discuss developing this infrastructure at SYR in support our regional initiatives. Ms. Elliott mentioned that funding for the government is challenging currently, but that a full funding bill should be completed by the end of the year. Director Terreri stated that he will keep the board updated on these important issues.

The committee discussed the two upcoming SRAA member expirations, possible renewals and the one rotating two-year seat that will transition in January from Town of Salina to the Town of Clay. Ms. Clancy reminded Committee members that all SRAA board members can be on any committee of their choosing and to discuss any changes or updates to the committee rosters with Board Chair Gagliano.

Ms. Marshall showed the committee the SRAA Organization chart and a discussion ensued regarding the number of provisional employees on the SRAA roster, discussions regarding civil service and that more information would be provided to the board. All Human Resources committee documents are in the Teams folder for the full board to review.

Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

Adjournment

Having no other topics brought to the committee, a motion was made by Mr. Paro to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. Kinsey. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

