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Governance Committee Meeting Minutes Friday, September 12, 2025

Pursuant to notice duly given and posted, the Governance Committee meeting of the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority was called to order on Friday, September 12, 2025, in the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority Board Room located in the Syracuse Hancock International Airport by SRAA Board Chair, JoAnne Gagliano

The meeting was called to order at 11:04 a.m. by Ms. Gagliano.

Members Present

Members Absent

Mr. Michael Frame, (Chair)

Ms. Jo Anne Gagliano (Ex-officio)

Mr. Michael Lazar

Mr. Thomas Fernandez

Mr. Kenneth Kinsey

Mr. Nathaniel Stevens

Mr. Damian Ulatowski

Also Present

Mr. Jason Terreri

Mr. Aaron Harris

Ms. Robin Watkins

Ms. Joanne Clancy

Mr. Ben Yaus

Mr. John Clark

Ms. Lexi Hull

Ms. Kristine Carson

Chief Justin Baum

Dr DeSiato

Executive Director Terreri thanked General Counsel, John Clark for his years of service to the airport and wished him well on his retirement. New General Counsel, Ben Yaus was introduced to the group as his replacement.

Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting:

Ms. Clancy asked if the committee reviewed the past Governance committee minutes and asked if anyone had any comments or changes. A motion was made by Ms. Gagliano and seconded by Mr. Lazar to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2024, Governance Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.



New Business/Discussion

Executive Director Terreri gave an update on legislative priorities for both the Federal and State levels. On the Federal level, the government is only funded through the end of this month and there are several options being worked on to continue funding the FAA in critical positions, but could affect grant funding and FAA environmental approvals which would impact the SRAA projects and delay projects even further. New legislation impacting airports has been rolled out across the board and we are working to understand and implement each of these new federal initiatives and security protocols being rolled out throughout the country. SRAA continues to work on funding ideas for the landside projects with local, state, and federal elected officials. Failures to the baggage system are a priority and continue to be the biggest issue and complaint for SYR airlines and passengers. To put a new inline baggage system at SYR that would process the number of bags needed now and, in the future, it would cost \$60M to fully install. TSA does have a grant available funded through 2028, however, that only funds the equipment piece of one inline system and SYR has two different sides, therefore, to fix this issue, further discussions need to take place and would involve a significant investment for the airport. NYSDEC wetlands and mitigation projects and discussions are on-going to expand the cargo facilities.

Ms. Clancy noted that all materials regarding the ABO policy and statement reviews are in the teams folders and the committee was provided with a hard copy packet for all members for review.

- 1. Records retention policy review
- 2. Review of the SRAA Mission Statement
- 3. Review of the SRAA Mission Statement & Performance Measurements
- 4. Review/discussion and distribution of the SRAA Annual Statement of Financial Disclosure
- 5. Review of the SRAA Governance Charter
- 6. Review of the SRAA Bylaws
- 7. New SRAA Board member training discussion
- 8. Enabling legislative review and updates
- 9. SRAA Board member expirations, SRAA committee roster, Regional Advisory Board (RAB) membership and past and future schedule for the rotating seat on the SRAA Board.

Ms. Clancy reviewed each policy on the agenda and in the packet with the group. The draft 2026 SRAA committee meeting schedule and meeting cadence was discussed and members were provided with a copy of the proposed schedule and in Teams folders. The group discussed appointment process and expiration dates for current board members with the 2-year rotating seat beginning to begin in 2026 with the North Syracuse School Board appointment. When there is a new SRAA board member, the Executive Director, and the SRAA Board Chair meet with that member, they receive training, electronic materials and airport tours and are invited to the December meeting to meet everyone in advance. Ms. Clancy reminded the group to review the Draft 2026 SRAA Committee schedule and advise if there are any conflicts. Executive Director Terreri asked for feedback or questions, having answered all questions and no suggested changes to the policy and statements, the group approved all the ABO required materials to be moved to the consent agenda for the next board meeting on September 19, 2025. Ms. Clancy provided copies of the 2026 SRAA committee schedule.

Executive Session

No Executive session was held.

Adjournment

Having no executive session or other topics brought to the committee, a motion was made by Mr. Lazar to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ms. Gagliano. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.