

**WAMA 2007 Spring Business Meeting**  
**May 2-4, 2007**  
**Wenatchee Convention Center, Wenatchee, Washington**

**Introductions**

Treasurer Pat Moore, and Commissioner Craig Larsen, Port of Chelan County, welcomed a membership of 74 to Wenatchee, and discussed some of the unique organizational issues at the Ports of Douglas, and Chelan Counties, in operation of the airport.

**WAMA Business Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from the 2006 WAMA Fall Business Meeting of August 29, 2006 were approved by the membership.

**Special Order of Business**

Vice-President Parish thanked Marv Kinney and Ron Foraker for their years of service to the association, with a plaque.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Moore presented a comparison report, balance sheet, and financial update to the membership. As of May 1, 2007, the total assets of the association included \$27,759.84 in cash, and \$9,291.76 in investments, totaling \$37,051.60. As of this update, it appears we will break even on the 2007 WAMA Spring Conference.

Secretary Cheyne presented a general policy recommendation related to WAMA's goal of maintaining a maximum reserve (carry over) at the end of each year, totaling 20% of the total revenues from the previous year. The policy, to reduce the existing reserve fund, would be implemented over the next 3 years. The recommendation was moved, seconded and approved unanimously.

**Old Business**

**Small Community Air Service**

Vice-President Parish briefed the membership on the progress of the Northwest Air Service Initiative. Phase I and Phase II are now complete, and the completion of Phase III, although a little behind schedule, should be completed by the fall of 2007. There may be budget implications due to the delay, but we do not anticipate an additional assessment for WAMA.

The agenda items related to Fire Code, Trapping Legislation, and Wildlife Management Training, were deferred.

WSDOT Aviation Division – John Sibold presented a general overview of WSDOT’s Aviation Division initiatives and work program. A detailed discussion was scheduled for a specific conference agenda item later that day. Topics covered included discussion on the State’s role in the NW Air Service Initiative from a perspective that will lead to a regional approach to air service.

There was a request of the membership for volunteers to serve on the nominating committee. The task of the committee is to put together a slate of candidates including President, Vice-President, Secretary, and 2 Director Positions for membership consideration at the 2007 Fall Business Meeting. Volunteers were asked to respond directly to Vice-President Parish.

Secretary Cheyne requested membership direction related to the use of the Association’s electronic roster for purposes other than WAMA. The membership discussed this issue, and it was determined that WAMA would not make available the electronic version of the roster for non-WAMA use.

Secretary Cheyne also presented 2 by-law changes for review and action. The by-law changes were moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by the membership.

1. The membership unanimously approved the following language to be added to Article II, Section II – CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP: “A Government and Agency Membership category will be restricted to individuals that represent federal, state, local resource agencies, and aviation industry association representatives. Government and Agency Members will not be eligible to vote at a regular or special meeting and will not be required to pay dues”.
2. The membership unanimously approved the following language to be added to Article III, Section II – ELECTION OF DIRECTORS. “No more than one member of the Board of Directors will be from the same airport”. “No more than one member of the Board of Directors will be an Associate Member”.

Vice-President Parish requested suggestions for agenda items at the Fall Tri-State conference. The continued conflict of association meetings was discussed, as was the scheduling and frequency of WAMA meetings. It was suggested that a tri-state survey be conducted to determine the appropriate mix of tri-state venue, versus individual state conferences.

## **Committee Reports**

In the agenda package, Secretary Cheyne presented an update from the AAAE Operations, Safety, and Planning Committee, related to aviation issues management. The membership was encouraged to participate in the virtual meetings.

Secretary Cheyne also presented an update on membership status. Currently there are 217 WAMA members, including 92 Management, 83 Associate, 9 Resource/Government, and 33 Honorary members.

The General Aviation, and Newsletter committee reports, were both deferred

Director Jung presented the membership with an overview of the Thomas Eller Memorial Scholarship, Internship, and Professional Development grants. The membership was encouraged to review and bolster interest for these programs.

Secretary Cheyne presented the following adjustments to WAMA's annual scholarship and internship program.

1. \$1,000 annual contribution to the Aviation High School Robotics program
2. \$1,800 annual scholarship for 2 Aviation High School students, and one chaperone, to attend the spring and fall WAMA Business meetings.
3. \$1,200 annual scholarship for 2 aviation college students to attend the spring and fall WAMA Business meetings.
4. Increasing the WAMA internship program from \$1,000 to \$2,000 annually

The membership unanimously approved the changes to the scholarship and internship program.

## **Other Business**

Dave Smith, from Sea-Tac Airport, presented an update on Sea-Tac's use of the electronic Airport Layout Plan (iALP), and the potential relevancy to other airports. WSDOT is currently evaluating the potential for a state-wide initiative to incorporate this technology into their work program.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 A.M.