



Airport Advisory Board Meeting
Thursday, September 21, 2023 9:00 a.m.

Double Eagle II Airport Administration Conference Room

Attendees:

Board Members

Jon Word, Chair
Anthony Gallegos, Vice Chair
Will Ferguson
Joseph Grasso
Marc Limmany
Marie Lobo
Nalleli Reyes Garcia

Aviation Department

Richard McCurley
Brian Boyd
Gary Gillard (remote)
Peter Pierotti
Leah Black
Hartwell Briggs (remote)
Patrick Frias
Daniel Jiron
Manny Manriquez
Gary Sandoval (remote)
Jonathan Small (remote)
Janet Aranda
Vicente Martinez (remote)

Other

Tim Gorman, Bode
Steven Marruffo, Atlantic (remote)
Phil Jurgensen, RS&H
Brent Shank, RS&H

Minutes

1. **Call to Order** – John Word, Chair, called meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
2. **Changes/Additions to Agenda.** None
3. **Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (8/17/23).** Approved without change.
4. **Reports/Updates**
 - a. Richard McCurley, Director.
 - General reports limited to focus meeting on DEII. Revenue is generally up.
 - ABQ continues to have difficulty filling positions due to increased salaries in private sectors. City has initiated compensation study to address issue.
 - Parking lots are full due to relighting project, and alternative space will be identified. Notifications and alerts will be made on social media.
 - b. High Flying Hangars. Reported on groundbreaking for new hangars ad DEII.
 - c. Land of Enchantment Fly-In. To be held September 23 and DEII.
 - d. Air Service. Airlines are upgrading significantly in anticipation of Balloon Fiesta and Solar Eclipse on October 14. Both Daniel Jiron and Fred DeGuio (by email) indicated numbers are unprecedented.
5. **On-Going Business**
 - a. Feedback from Board on use of information. Board members addressed the following:
 - Board should be more interactive, instead of one way presentations from airport management.
 - Reports could be consolidated, giving only high level highlights.



- Keep discussion of all news articles, PR, and marketing.
- Send press releases and links to recent coverage to board members.
- Focus on what is important to community. Financial and management details cannot be changed by Board, so no need to dwell on those details.
- Send meeting material ahead of time.
- ABQ will send a written survey to obtain more information from each board member.

6. New Business—Double Eagle II Presentations

- a. Bode Aero Services Inc., DEII Fixed Base Operator. Tim Gorman Addressed Board, and described current operations at Bode. The FBO serves public entities, private companies, and pilots. Discussion of flight training, partnering with flight schools, and education entities in and out of state. Bode sees lots of opportunity and is willing to discuss. Also discussed Bode’s maintenance operations. Board considered whether it could help to obtain state or federal dollars through state legislature and federal funding programs.
- b. Brian Boyd, Deputy Director, Operations. Presented historical development of DEII, current statistics, current support team, utility upgrades, security fencing, pavement rehabilitation, and runway 17/35 lighting.
- c. Manny Manriquez, Innovation & Commercial Development Manager. Presented information on current DEII development projects, including High Flying Hangars and another private hangar development, 25 acre expansion of midfield development area, and a 100 acre project north of airport.
- d. Tour of DEII

7. Visitors Comments/Questions. Discussion of potential to obtain Mexican carrier. Federal policy changes might make access easier. Comment from Joseph Grasso that 40 mph speed limit on road to DEII is too slow.

8. Next Meeting Date: October 19, 2023, 9:00 a.m. Location not determined.

9. Adjourn to attend tour at 10:20 a.m.