

**ROSECRANS MEMORIAL AVIATION BOARD MINUTES  
APRIL 6, 2022 – 11:30 AM AIRPORT TERMINAL CONFERENCE ROOM**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Member's Term Attendance</u> <u>(attended/absent)</u>	<u>End of Term</u>
<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Col Greg Hay		Pleasure of the Guard
	Lute Atieh	(21/07)	April 20, 2023
	Michael Grimm	(03/01)	August 29, 2026
	Michael Korte	(04/01)	June 01, 2026
	Larry Lee, Vice-Chair	(27/04)	April 10, 2022
	Tracy Norcross	(12/05)	October 8, 2023
	Greg Starkel, Chair	(20/01)	April 20, 2023
<b>ABSENTEES:</b>	Christel Gollnick	(16/09)	August 10, 2024
	Matt Hoskins	(08/03)	October 8, 2023

**STAFF PRESENT:** Abraham Forney, Airport General Manager  
Roxanne Patton, Recording Administrator

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Aviation Board called to order at 11:31am, April 6, 2022.

**WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS / OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Roundtable introductions were made. Congratulations to Member Grimm for becoming a new member of the City Council. Andy Trout attending the board meeting who also is becoming a new member of the City Council. Chad Welch was approved by the City Council as a new Board Member, replacing Member Lee. Member Lee introduced grandson Elijah who is a Freshman in the Air Force ROTC. Elijah has interest in military and aviation.

**ITEM #1 – Approval of minutes**

Chairman Starkel noted Item #6 from the February minutes needs clarification relating to the Tuskegee Eagles and EAA Chapter 1479. Both groups are coordinating a proposed program to generate aviation related interest in related careers. A meeting has been scheduled with the new St Joseph School District Superintendent, Hillyard Director and St Joseph Chamber of Commerce to introduce a comprehensive 4year high school STEM program in aviation, developed by the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. This program is fully funded by Boeing Aircraft Corporation.

They are hoping the school district will implement this program. In parallel to this program, they hope to liaise with the 139th Airlift Wing, St Joseph Airport staff, Herzog Aviation, and regional Universities with Aviation programs, to establish an aviation career path for the youth of our region, subsequent to the STEM graduates' high school program.

A motion was made by general consent to accept the minutes from February 9, 2022, as corrected and transcribed in the office of the Airport General Manager's office by the Administrative Assistant.

**ITEM #2 – Airport Business**

Airport is currently short staffed by two positions, one Airport Operations Manager and one Maintenance Specialist. Interviews will begin as soon as applications have been received.

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(April 6, 2022 Airport Board meeting)

State Aviation Day was held March 29, 2022 at the State Capitol Building in Jefferson City. Abe Forney, Airport General Manager attended, to meet with State Representatives to discuss legislative needs. Mr. Forney also attended (MAMA). This conference discussed future aviation changes coming within the next 5 to 10 years.

The annual FAA Inspection took place April 5, 2022. No major issues. Markings were in compliance, however, the Inspector is not like the paint stripping over lapping.

**ITEM #3 – Military Updates**

Recruiting efforts are underway. Career Day is scheduled for April 20, 2022.

Simulation Building

Commander at National Guard Bureau considering initiatives for Senior Leadership list.

Air Traffic Control training classes are being held this week.

The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) is an annual bill that lets Congress set guidelines for defense policies. Though funding for the U.S. military must be approved through appropriations bills, Congress uses the NDAA to establish defense priorities, make organizational changes to military agencies, and provide guidance on how funding should be used. The 139<sup>th</sup> AW is hoping for changes from the H-model C-130's to J-models.

**ITEM #4 – Action Items**

Nominations were held for a new board Vice-Chair since Member Lee's term has expired. Member Lute Atieh and Michael Korte were nominated. Member Atieh declined the nomination. Member Korte agreed to serve as Vice-Chair. A motion was made for accepting the nomination. Member Norcross seconded the motion. Motioned carries. Member Korte is the new Aviation Board Vice-Chair.

**ITEM #5 – New Business**

No new business discussed.

**ITEM #6 - Airport Tenants/Organization Activities**

Bubbas BBQ LLC management has changed the name of the Café to B&B Runway Café' LLC. Management continues to market the Café.

Life Net and Express Flight businesses are both doing well. Express Flight is showing more fuel sales compared to last month.

Member Korte asked if the hangars are at a good occupancy. City owned hangars are approximately 87% occupied. Hangars at Rosecrans are very reasonable compared to surrounding airport hangar rentals.

EAA Chapter plans to hold a rally in April or May 2022. Tuskegee Eagles had their project aircraft inspected by Flight Standards District Office (FSDO). FSDO is a local field office for the Federal Aviation Administration

**Item #7 - Capital Improvement Program -2022-2025 (New)**

Airport Manager presented a PowerPoint at the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting on the Air Traffic Control Building State Block Grant Funding: Rosecrans is one (1) of fourteen (14) airports who receive State Block Grants. Runway 17/35 will be funded in part with State Block Grant funds along with a Military Cooperative Construction Agreement (MCCA) from the Guard.

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**ITEM #8 - Information Items**

No Items

**ITEM #9 – Other Business**

Airport Administration posted a job opportunity for two Airport Maintenance Specialists. Interviews were done and new hires will start on Monday, February 14, 2022.

**ITEM #10 - Public Comment**

No public comments

**ITEM #11- Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 11:57 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,



Roxanne Patton, Administrative Assistant  
Rosecrans Memorial Airport