

MARYLAND AVIATION COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 25, 2019
LINOWES CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR
BALTIMORE/WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT

OPEN SESSION

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Philip Nichols

Chairman Rahn called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –Chairman Rahn

Upon request for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 29, June 12, and September 6 Commission meetings, it was so moved by Commissioner Amin, seconded by Commissioner Parenti, and approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Ricky D. Smith

Ms. Shanae Murray was introduced as the new Chief, Division of Administration & Performance Management.

Commissioner John Kiser has resigned from the Maryland Aviation Commission effective September 30, 2019. MDOT thanked him for his contributions to the Commission over his term.

Air Service and Traffic Statistics Overall passenger traffic for the second quarter of 2019 is down 2.2% from the same period last year. This is attributed to the impacts BWI Marshall felt from the grounding of the 737 MAX 8 aircraft. Spirit Airlines continues to grow and recorded a 20%

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passenger increase in the second quarter. Cargo traffic continues to grow, and is up more than 10.5% for the twelve months ending July 31.

Legislative Update There have been a number of recent changes in the State legislature. The new Speaker of the House is Delegate Adrienne Jones, Delegate Tawanna Gaines is the Chair of the Capital Subcommittee. Delegate Marc Korman is now the Chair of the Transportation and Environment Subcommittee and Delegate Carol Krimm is the Vice Chair. Delegate Lierman has transferred to the Environment and Transportation Committee and will chair the Land Use and Ethics Subcommittee. There have been no changes in the Senate.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT – James G. Walsh

Operating and non-operating revenues remained flat for FY 2019, compared to FY 2018. Expenses increased nearly 5%, the increase being attributed to snow and ice events in Winter 2018/2019. A federal government shutdown in January and the grounding of Boeing 737 MAX 8 aircraft had additional impacts on financial results for FY 2019.

MARKETING & AIR SERVICE DEVELOPMENT – Annette Fisher

Marketing Update BWI Marshall recently is launching the Fall 2019 “We’ll Take You There” campaign beginning October 15. A number of events are upcoming to showcase the BWI Static Arts Program with galleries at the Observation Gallery Concourses C and D/E. Chairman Rahn requested additional recognition for the Pathfinders volunteers.

Air Service Update Southwest Airlines continues to hold a majority of the seat capacity at BWI Marshall with two-thirds of total capacity. Southwest has announced service to Greenville-Spartanburg beginning in November. Spirit Airlines is the fastest growing airline in late 2019, with new service to Raleigh-Durham launched earlier this year, in May, service to Charlotte launched in June, and service to Nashville beginning in October.

BWI Marshall was represented at the annual World Routes conference earlier this month and met with twelve airlines over three days. Commissioner Amin suggested important data to be shared with prospective airlines is the customer’s time from parking to the gate.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING– Keiva Rodrigues

Key Projects Update The Concourse B Apron Pavement Reconstruction project replaces the existing concrete apron. The project is finishing ahead of schedule and under budget. Reconstruction of Taxiway B is completing next week. Taxiway rehabilitation work at the Midfield Cargo Complex is expected to be complete in Summer 2020. The five-gate extension to Concourse A is under construction with completion expected in Spring 2020. The Noise and Operations Monitoring System replaces an older system with 24 new monitors and software.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Winstead, and approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.