# MINUTES

## June 7, 2017

# Approved August 2, 2017 VISION – QUIETER SKIES FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

MISSION – UTILIZING PARTNERSHIPS TO REDUCE AIRPORT NOISE FOR THE BENEFIT OF NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES

Chair: Brad Pierce Vice Chair: Katy Brown Treasurer: Jamie Hartig Secretary: Alison Biggs

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, and QUORUM:</u> The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m.by Chair Brad Pierce. The following were in attendance:

Douglas County: Alison Biggs Lone Tree: Susan Squyer Aurora: **Brad Pierce** Parker: Amy Holland Castle Pines: ACPAA: Robert Olislagers Melissa Coudeyras AOPA: Robert Doubek Centennial: Andrea Suhaka Cherry Hills Village: Katy Brown CABA: Don Kuskie

Greenwood Village: Karen Blilie

Castle Pines and AOPA Alternate Representatives Maureen Shul and John Hirshman respectively were also in attendance.

#### Those absent were:

Arapahoe County: Kathleen Conti/Thad Bagnato CDOT Aeronautics Division: Todd Green/Vacant

Arapahoe County: Jim Dawkins/Vacant FAA APA Control Tower: Constance Ritchie/Ron Curry Douglas County: David Weaver/Jamie Hartig FAA District Office: Linda Bruce/Kandace Krull Castle Rock: Brett Ford/Julie Kirkpatrick FAA TRACON: Steve Martin/Bill Dunn

Foxfield: Dave Goddard/Vacant

- 2. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:</u> Chair Brad Pierce indicated he would like to adjust the agenda as needed to accommodate the arrival of Maureen Shul who would join Susan Squyer to present the updated website. On the motion of Alison Biggs, duly seconded, the agenda was approved with that caveat.
- 3. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Jerry Johannes from Algonquin Acres near Jordan and Arapahoe, was present to request CACNR use any possible influence to encourage Centennial Airport to reverse its seeming approach as both a civilian and a military airport. Military aircraft could and should be using Buckley Air Force Base. Military flights are frequently ear shattering over homes in the area and may circle more than once before landing. Centennial Airport is already an excessive burden for residents.

Robert Olislagers indicated he knew Mr. Johannes, who already was familiar with many things in relation to military flights using Centennial Airport. Apparently, the airport is required to allow its use by military flights, and it does provide amenities for pilots and their families who live in the area, such as access to cars and better food.

#### Questions were asked:

- it military pilots might alter their flight paths
- if the airport would contact Buckley about the noise concerns military fights cause for the area
- if Buckley related pilots were aware of the Noise Abatement Guidelines and how military pilots might be made better aware of the existing noise sensitive areas
- if military pilots could be asked to not use full burner take-offs
- if pilot choice really trumps neighborhood concerns

Question was also asked if the airport collected information about the origin of the military flights which use the airport. Robert Olislagers responded in the negative, indicating the number is small and identification numbers of those flights are not available to him.

<u>SPECIAL INTRODUCTION:</u> Immediate Past CACNR Chair Harold Anderson was introduced and warmly welcomed. He had been a Representative from Lone Tree during his tenure on CACNR, and had served several terms as CACNR Chair.

4. <u>CONSENT AGENDA:</u> The Consent Agenda included the May 3, 2017 Draft Minutes and a Treasurer's Report, unfortunately dated "April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017." That Treasurer's Report showed expenses to date of \$750 for initial work on the CACNR website, \$3,729.72 for two CACNR representatives to attend the UC Davis conference, and \$1,000 for annual N.O.I.S.E. dues, leaving a balance of \$4,520.28. On the motion of Katy Brown, duly seconded, the Consent Agenda was approved.

#### 5. ITEM(S) REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None

#### 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. <u>COMMUNITY OUTREACH</u> Susan Squyer and Maureen Shul presented the work that had been done on the CACNR Website. Comments and questions are noted as they arose during the presentation, and are numbered only for ease of reference:
  - Agendas, minutes, and treasurer's reports would only be included for the current and prior years. Prior information would have to be accessed through Centennial Airport, not CACNR.
  - 2) Question was asked if there was any way to see how many had looked at the site, and what they looked at or for. Apparently, that information can be available and is free through a system such as Google Analytics.
  - 3) How will the public know the website is operational again?
  - 4) Cori Foxworthy has to be paid at her rate of \$50/hour to post anything on the site, such as the monthly minutes. It was anticipated she would post materials once a month.
  - 5) Robert Olislagers indicated there could be links established so those looking for something missing on CACNR's site might find it on the airport's site which will be much more complete.
  - 6) Request was made for the CACNR website address and logo be placed throughout the site. The noise hotline and WebTrak address should be prominently featured as well.
  - 7) Question was asked if Noise 101 was up to date.
  - 8) There was agreement to have a group photo taken in August, for use on the website.
  - 9) Information or articles which should be added to the site should be sent to Susan Squyer, who would transmit them to Cori Foxworthy for the monthly posting.
  - 10) Suggestion was made that something should be included on the site which references the military's use of Centennial Airport. Robert Olislagers indicated he would prepare something.
  - 11) Cori Foxworthy will turn over the URL when she is paid, so CACNR will own it.
  - 12) Question was asked how much was desired under a News/Events category.
  - 13) Robert Olislagers suggested a link to a source for that type of information, possibly Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell. He indicated he would provide CACNR with a sample.
  - 14) Information such as that noted in #13, materials about the FAA, N.O.I.S.E., Web Trak and similar materials, addresses, or links should be placed in a Resources tab.

Andrea Suhaka moved to approve the revised CACNR website with modifications as discussed, so that it could be activated. Motion was seconded. There was further discussion:

- 1) There was no need to authorize payment of the remaining portion of Foxworthy's initial fee, as it had been approved in the original agreement with her.
- As Foxworthy is hosting the site for CACNR, CACNR should request the hosting log, passwords, user names and all other such information related to the website interface before that payment would be made.
- 3) Foxworthy is apparently the only one who can make changes to the website, and CACNR will pay her at her hourly rate of \$50 to do so.
- 4) Foxworthy might not activate the website until receipt of the full amount in the original agreement.
- 5) The Community Outreach Committee would do the final clarifications of these matters with Foxworthy.
- 6) Katy Brown would be available to provide assistance as needed.

The motion as stated above was carried and the Committee was thanked for its work on this project.

- B. <u>FLY QUIET</u> Don Kuskie provided information about getting responses to the FAA regarding the Metroplex project. Some of his contacts had been unable to use the comment form on line, so had sent individual letters. He wondered if anyone who had sent comments had received a reply; apparently, no one at this meeting had. Robert Olislagers indicated he would compile the responses he was aware of in one place, for everyone's reference.
- C. <u>NOISE MONITORS</u> The committee had not met since the last CACNR meeting. Karen Blilie indicated there had been a very busy day over her location, with at least 19 flights, but no flights had shown up on Centennial Airport's Webtrak version; they had shown up on DIA's Webtrak. Robert Olislagers stated he would look into it. He also stated that the Lone Tree noise monitor had lost power again, and the equipment was being reset.

The noise report from April 2017 was presented by Robert Olislagers.

There had been 25,729 operations in April, down from 26,195 operations in March, but up from 21,242 in February.

In April, eleven noise monitors had recorded 20,661 noise events, down from 21,393 noise events in March but up from 17,453 in February. The Lone Tree monitor had been off line from April 4 to April 30. Noise events by decibel range were:

15,141 in the 60 – 69 decibel range 4,798 in the 70 – 79 decibel range

667 in the 80 – 89 decibel range 55 in the 90+ decibel range

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Total noise events in April 2017 at each monitor were:

7,046 events at the Golf Course monitor on airport property

3,855 events at the Meridian monitor

2,682 events at the Airport East monitor on airport property

2.065 events at the State Park monitor

1,293 events at the Grandview Estates monitor

1,259 events at the Parker monitor

810 events at the Castle Rock monitor

743 events at the Greenwood Village monitor

479 events at the Hunters Hill monitor

192 events at the Sagebrush Park monitor

157 events at the Castle Pines monitor

80 events at the Lone Tree monitor (4 days only)

Correlations between noise events at the monitors and noise complaints from related areas were not available.

In April 2017, in descending numerical order, a total of 421 complaints had come from 2 households in Highlands Ranch; 147 complaints from 7 households in Greenwood Village; 79 from 6 in Unincorporated Arapahoe County; 53 from 6 in Unincorporated Douglas County; 28 from 2 in "Other;" 16 from 9 in Centennial; 14 from 2 in Aurora; 7 from 5 in Lone Tree; and 1 from 1 in Parker. Households in Castle Pines, Castle Rock, Cherry Hills Village, and Denver had lodged no complaints. YTD, there had been 3,555 complaints from 93 households overall.

In April 2017, there were 707 daytime complaints (92.3%), and there were 59 nighttime complaints (7.7%).

With the complaints from the top complaining household removed, there were 346 complaints in April, down from 463 complaints in March but up from 191 complaints in April 2016. Operations in April 2017 had been 25,729, while operations in April 2016 had been higher, at 27,969.

YTD totals: the top 5 household complainants had come from Highlands Ranch (2,110); Greenwood Village (380); Unincorporated Douglas County (284); Unincorporated Arapahoe County (236); and Unincorporated Douglas County (98). There were 447 other complainants.

In April, with the complaints from the top complainer removed, props were responsible for 56% of the complaints by aircraft type; jets were responsible for 35%; and helicopters were 9%. Departures continued to account for the most complaints, at 49%, with arrivals at 22%, training at 22%, and overflights at 7%. Military flights were not broken out from these numbers and Robert Olislagers indicated he would check to see what those numbers might be.

Two complaining households were not shown on the map because they were outside the map area in Jefferson County. The Radar Track Density Map was last updated in Mach 2017.

- D. WORK PLAN No Report.
- E. <u>STUDY GROUP</u> The Study Group was working on a plan for outreach to the jurisdictions in relation to the MOU and its accompanying Funding Structure Document. Members of the group had presented the April 11, 2017 clarifying letter from the FAA to the ACPAA, and would be willing to attend meetings in the jurisdictions if that was desired. Any comments, questions, or requests should be directed to Brad Pierce.

#### 7. FAA REPORTS:

- A. <u>DISTRICT OFFICE</u> None.
- B. APA AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER None.
- C. TRACON None.
- D. <u>METROPLEX</u> There had apparently been a mix-up, and no one from the Metroplex staff had been asked to make a presentation at this meeting.

### 8. OTHER REGULAR MONTHLY REPORTS:

A. <u>ARAPAHOE COUNTY PUBLIC AIRPORT AUTHORITY</u> – Robert Doubek, ACPAA Chair, submitted the following report: "BOARD MEETING NOTES MAY 11, 2017

"Two minor items on the Consent Agenda were approved with no items presented on the Business Agenda.

"Katy Brown presented the Noise Roundtable Update which invoked considerable discussions involving CACNR website revisions, new Fly Quiet brochure, the work plan, update on the MOU and Metroplex community meetings. Rjd/5/23/2"

Katy Brown provided additional details about her report to ACPAA on the items included above and noted ACPAA members shared concerns similar to CACNR's about Metroplex.

B. <u>AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u> – Robert Olislagers reported on recent support from the White House for separating air traffic control from the FAA, creating a not-for-profit, non-governmental entity, indicating that would modernize the system. Concerns related to the action include such things as a potential increase in the cost of tickets, loss of service to smaller communities, questionable impact on military users of the airspace and whether creation of new routes by the new entity would pay any attention to the effect of any resulting aircraft noise on communities. In addition, it appeared doubtful the composition of the board of the new entity would have any representation from the general public. The proposal also would exempt the FAA from the National Environmental Policy Act, leaving its only concern to be about safety.

In other news, the DC Federal Court of Appeals had ruled that regulation of hobby drones was outside of the FAA's purview.

Olislagers reminded CACNR the main Centennial Airport runway would be closed until July 6. The impact of this on noise complaints would be of interest.

The annual Morgan Adams Foundation fundraiser for childhood cancer will be held at Centennial Airport on August 26, 2017. In addition to food, a silent auction, and exhibits of aircraft, automobiles and motorcycles, there will be a 30 minute aerial demonstration and fireworks.

C. <u>N.O.I.S.E. & NEXTGEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE</u> – Brad Pierce indicated the next N.O.I.S.E. meeting would be in conjunction with the National League of Cities, in November in Charlotte, NC. CACNR policy is to send one Representative to that meeting; Pierce would also attend in his capacity as Chair of N.O.I.S.E. He would be attending the NextGen Advisory Committee meeting in June in Memphis.

## 9. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. <u>REPORT FROM UC DAVIS</u> Information about the 2017 UC Davis Symposium was provided with the meeting materials. The next UC Davis Aviation Noise & Emissions Symposium will be held February 25-27, 2018 in Long Beach, California. CACNR has a policy to send two representatives to this conference every year.
- B. <u>CONGRESSIONAL QUIET SKIES CAUCUS</u> Nothing new on follow-up to the invitation letter to Congressman Ken Buck. Brad Pierce will continue attempting to accomplish this.
- C. <u>CACNR 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE AND REPRESENTATION TO ACPAA MEETINGS</u> Dates which remained to be filled were August 10, September 14, October 12, and November 19. Jim Dawkins volunteered to serve in August.
- 10. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> Robert Olislagers indicated the American Association of Airport Executives was planning a conference on noise issues in Washington, DC in September. He would provide CACNR with the agenda for the meeting, in case there was interest in having anyone attend.
- 11. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- 12. NEXT MEETINGS:
  - A. CACNR July 5, 2017 Meeting Cancelled
    Aug 2, 2017 6:30 p.m. Ramada Hotel & Suites, 7770 South Peoria Street, Englewood, CO
    Sep 6, 2017 6:30 p.m. Ramada Hotel & Suites, 7770 South Peoria Street, Englewood, CO
  - B. ACPAA June 15, 2017 3:00 p.m. Wright Brothers Room, Centennial Airport, 7800 S. Peoria St., Englewood, CO (Melissa Coudeyras representing CACNR)

July, 2017 No Meeting Scheduled

Aug 10, 2017 3:00 p.m. Wright Brothers Room, Centennial Airport, 7800 S. Peoria St., Englewood, CO (Jim Dawkins representing CACNR)

Sep 14, 2017 3:00 p.m. Wright Brothers Room, Centennial Airport, 7800 S. Peoria St., Englewood, CO (?? representing CACNR)

13. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Alison Biggs, Secretary