



Auburn-DeKalb Executive Airport

DeKalb County Airport Authority

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John Chalmers, Member
Don Tribbett, Attorney

John Kruse, Member
Randy Fox, Secretary

MINUTES

May 15, 2026

DeKalb County Airport Authority Scheduled Meeting: The DeKalb County Airport Authority met for the regular monthly meeting which began at 1:00 pm. In attendance at the meeting were; Myers, Korchyk, Fox, Airport Attorney Tribbett, John Feister and Tinisha Weigelt from BF&S, Scotty Hepler from Sweet Aviation, community members Lara Gaerte and Terry Yarde, and Assistant Manager Hoit. Myers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: Myers presented the May 15, 2026 Agenda for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the agenda with the change, with a second from Fox. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Myers presented the April 2026 meeting minutes for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, with a second from Fox. The motion passed unanimously.

Claims: Myers presented the May 2026 claims for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the claims, with a second from Fox. The motion passed unanimously.

FBO Brief: Hepler reported for the month of April they have sold 14,581 gallons of Jet-A, and 2,651.59 gallons of AvGas. There were 11 aircraft rentals, 34 training sessions, and 6 simulator sessions, and 1 Discovery Flight. There were 13 maintenance jobs last month.

Manager's Brief: Hoit stated that the IT Contract has had some back and forth. He turned the discussion over to Mr. Tribbett. Tribbett stated that TriCore made some comments, but he is still not completely comfortable with the contract. After some discussion, the Board decided to continue to work on the contract and address it at the June meeting.

Hoit then asked the Board to make a transfer as follows:
Transfer from AIP 40 to Rainy Day in the amount of \$20,387.14.

We found out after we had made the first payment to Shawnee entirely out of the rainy day fund that there was the \$20k that was to be submitted to the FAA for reimbursement. In order to keep everything within this discreet AIP fund, we will make this transfer and then receipt in AIP 40 PR 1 that Mr. Feister has prepared for the meeting.

Fox made a motion to Transfer from AIP 40 to Rainy Day in the amount of \$20,387.14, with a second from Korchyk. The motion passed unanimously.

Hoit then asked the Board for their thoughts on the proposed placement of the new corporate hangar. Feister stated that the hangar needs to move to the East at least 20' to ensure object free area clearance from the existing hangar ramp to the west. He also stated that the geometry of the taxiway was incorrect. After some discussion, the Board directed staff to encourage the construction of the hangar to the east, allowing space for terminal hangar expansion, at least, while maintaining proper object free zones with existing pavement.

Consultant/Engineer Report: Feister asked for Board action to approve AIP40 PR1 in the amount of \$34,649.01 with \$32,916 95% Federal, and \$866. (2.5%) State and Local. Korchyk made the motion to approve AIP40 PR1 with a second from Fox. The motion passed unanimously.

He briefed the Board that the Runway Extension Project received an award from ACEC. Fox and Couchman attended the event along with Feister and Weigelt to accept the award.

Attorney Brief: See above under Manager Report, IT Contract.

Board Member Briefs: None.

Upcoming Events: None.

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

**Next meeting June 19, 2026
Public Meeting at 1:00 PM
DeKalb County Airport
Glenn Rieke Terminal Building**

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