- 1 The following is a condensed version of the TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS regular
- 2 meeting held Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at the Truckee Tahoe Airport District Community Room, 10356
- 3 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, California at 5:30 pm.
- 4 **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** 5:30 p.m.

5 **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** President John B. Jones Jr.

Vice President James W. Morrison Director J. Thomas Van Berkem

Director Lisa Wallace

Director Mary Hetherington

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STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Kevin Smith, General Manager

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Mr. Hardy Bullock, Director of Aviation and Community Services

Ms. Jane Dykstra, Director of Finance and Administration

Mr. Brent Collinson, District Legal Counsel

Mr. Mike Cooke, Aviation and Community Services Manager

Mr. Mike Barrett, Safety Coordinator
Ms. Maria Martinez, District Clerk
Ms. Donas Granger, Administrative Cl

Ms. Denae Granger, Administrative Clerk

20 21 **VISITORS PRESENT: 21**

23 SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS: President Jones read Resolution No. 2014-01 of the Truckee Tahoe Airport District

commending Mary Hetherington for her service as President of the Board of Directors from December 1, 2012

- through December 5, 2013.
- 26 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- 27 MOTION #1 JAN-22-14: A roll call vote on this motion resulted in the following: Director Wallace yes, Director
- Van Berkem yes, Director Hetherington abstained, Vice President Morrison yes, President Jones yes. The
- 29 motion passed.
- 30 President Jones presented Director Hetherington with a plaque for her service as President of the Board of
- 31 Directors. Director Hetherington thanked the Board, staff and public.
- 32 Mr. Smith read a letter from the Truckee Fire Protection District thanking the Board of Directors for the purchase
- of the Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) fire truck. There will be several firefighters present at the February
- 34 19, 2014 Board meeting to do a presentation on the ARFF training school they attended paid for by the District.
- 35 The fire truck will be ready in August 2014. Director Hetherington stated that it is great synergy for these public
- 36 agencies to work together.
- 37 Mr. Cooke gave an update on the network vulnerability evaluation project. There was a vendor contracted
- 38 several months ago to perform a network vulnerability and penetration test to look at security, data, and network
- 39 infrastructure, among other things. Overall, the Airport security came out very well with only a few minor
- 40 adjustments that staff is working on. Mr. Smith stated that Mr. Cooke has been hired as the new Aviation and
- 41 Community Services Manager. Director Van Berkem questioned how the ACAT responsibilities will be divided
- 42 with the changing of staff. Mr. Bullock stated that is to be determined, but he will continue forward as the point
- 43 of contact for ACAT.

- 44 Mr. Stoner stated that when the runway designations were changed two years ago, staff called other airports with
- 45 the same runway designations and offered to donate the numbered signs. The 10-28 runway signs went to
- 46 Hawthorne, NV.
- 47 Mr. Stoner also stated that Mr. Cooke oversaw the upgrade of the AWOS system, which received final FAA
- 48 certification in December, 2013.

49 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- 50 Ms. Carol Meagher, Executive Director of KidZone, read a letter to the Board requesting two acres of property
- from the Airport to grow their program. She stated that the project would fit perfectly into the Airport's strategy
- of community benefits and community enhancement. Ms. Stephanie McCale, an educator at KidZone, stated how
- great it is to have a place for kids to take part in the arts and sciences. It was indicated that the District would
- take the request into consideration.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 56 Director Hetherington requested that the Operations and Comment Report Q4 2013 be pulled from the Consent
- 57 Calendar. District Counsel Collinson requested that the Minutes: December 5, 2013 Regular Meeting be pulled
- from the Consent Calendar. Mr. Bullock requested that the Revision to ACAT Bylaws be pulled from the Consent
- 59 Calendar.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None

- Monthly Service Bills and Fees
- Financial Report
- Policy Revisions PI 210 and PI 306 Reimbursement of Travel Expenses
- Financial Internal Control Review

66 MOTION #2 JAN-22-14: Director Hetherington moved to approve the items on the Consent Calendar with the

- exception of the Operations and Comment Report Q4 2013, the Minutes: December 5, 2013, and the Revision to
- 68 ACAT Bylaws. Director Van Berkem seconded the motion. President Jones, Vice President Morrison, and
- 69 Directors Van Berkem, Hetherington and Wallace voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

70 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

- Minutes: December 5, 2013 Regular Meeting
- 72 District Counsel stated that on page 8 of the December Minutes, on line 303, the word should be substantive, not
- 73 substitute. This change will be made.

74 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

- Operations and Comment Report Q4 2013
- 76 Director Hetherington asked Mr. Bullock to walk the Board through his observations focusing on the increase of
- 77 commenters. Mr. Bullock stated that the 2012 and 2013 total operational numbers are almost identical, prior to
- 78 adding the multiplier for touch and go operations. He explained how the "touch and go multiplier" is based on
- 79 operations and was applied on a quarterly basis. He commented on the increase in comments, which was related
- 80 to an increase in community outreach. He stated that, in his opinion, the Master Plan outreach process made

- 81 people feel comfortable about calling the Airport, which lead to an increase in comments. Director Morrison
- 82 questioned if there have been any comments about the JetSuite operations. Mr. Bullock stated that there are
- four times more operations from the jets under 12,500 lbs, such as the Phenom 100s from JetSuite. He does not
- 84 see that type of aircraft causing a lot of annoyance. Mr. Smith pointed out that every one of the JetSuite aircraft
- use the GPU.
- 86 Director Morrison questioned if it is significant to note that the comments went up to 13 new commenters in
- 87 2013 as opposed to seven new commenters in 2012. Mr. Bullock stated that he would not give a lot of weight to
- 88 those numbers as it is probably also related to the increased public outreach effort. He does look at new
- 89 households that comment, as that may indicate enhanced annoyance in response to airport action related to
- 90 flight procedures.

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91 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

- Revision of ACAT Bylaws
- 93 Mr. Bullock stated there were a couple of changes to the bylaws from District Counsel Collinson. He said that on
- page 4, section D, subsection C, it be changed to Director of Finance and Administration from District's controller.
- 95 In that same subsection, District Counsel Collinson stated that the quarterly report should be submitted to ACAT.
- 96 Mr. Bullock stated that on page 5, section G, subsection B, the words "over \$500" should be taken out. These
- 97 changes will be made.
- 98 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- 99 MOTION #3 JAN-22-14: Director Hetherington moved to approve the Minutes: December 5, 2013 Regular
- 100 Meeting, the Operations and Comments Report Q4 2013, and the Revision to ACAT Bylaws as amended.
- 101 Director Van Berkem seconded the motion. President Jones, Vice President Morrison, and Directors Van Berkem,
- 102 Wallace and Hetherington voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

103 AIR FAIR COMMITTEE REPORT

- Mr. Tim LoDolce, Chairman of the AirFair, gave an update. He stated that the performers have been hired. He
- also stated that four people of the committee went to the ICAS convention to study air shows. The name of this
- 106 event has been changed from Truckee Tahoe AirFair and Family Festival to Truckee Tahoe AirShow and Family
- 107 Festival. He is expecting 20,000 people to attend this event on July 12, 2014 with the theme being women in
- aviation. Ms. Patty Wagstaff will be the keynote speaker and Ms. Barbara Northrop will be the Grand Marshal.
- 109 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

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AIRPORT COMMUNITY ADVISORY TEAM

- 111 Mr. Bullock gave a summary of the December 2013 and January 2014 ACAT meetings. At the December meeting,
- there was officer selection as well as the Bylaws modifications. ACAT also approved an expenditure not to exceed
- \$8,000 for the development of eight community noise abatement procedure videos done by the Lipperts outlining
- community friendly arrivals and departures while enhancing safety through mountain flying awareness. Mr.
- 115 Barrett did the voiceovers for the first video.
- Mr. Bullock stated that there was discussion in the ACAT meetings about the two procedures that are pending,
- 117 CONKY1, from Mr. Pete Elmore, and PWWDR, from the FAA. There was direction given to staff to develop a
- comparison between those two procedures and the current TRUCK3 procedure, asnd well as possibly scoping a

- 119 night operations project. These comparisons were presented to ACAT during the January ACAT meeting. The FAA
- 120 procedure affects approximately 10% less households than anything else being looked at. ACAT decided to stop
- work on CONKY1 and let the FAA know that ACAT supports PWWDR as a procedure.
- Mr. Smith reached out to Mr. Peter Kirsch, with Kaplan, Kirsch and Rockwell, aviation consultants, regarding night
- operations and solutions, and he will be present at the February 11, 2014 ACAT meeting.
- 124 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

125 COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH EFFORTS – Q4 2013

- Mr. Barrett gave the quarterly report for community outreach. He stated that the Airport has become a leader in
- the community. He gave several examples of this, such as Truckee Community Christmas, and the help from the
- 128 Airport staff. Mr. Smith pointed out the statistic from the report that the community rooms were reserved 344
- times by 64 different groups in 2013.

130 PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Terry stated that with volunteers, it is tempting to change their process, but he cautioned staff that doing that
- can swamp the volunteer effort. Mr. Barrett stated that the events are a big part of what staff does at the
- 133 Airport.
- 134 Mr. Smith introduced the three consultants present from C&S to do a Hangar 3 assessment, Cory Hazlewood,
- 135 Jessica Mullen, and Mark Roth. Mr. Hazlewood gave quick introductions of the three consultants.
- 136 Mr. Lou Reinkens, past Board member, thanked the Airport for their involvement in the community. He would
- 137 like to keep the presence of seaplanes on Lake Tahoe, and he stated that the Airport has been supporting the
- 138 Memorial Day Seaplane Splash-In over the years. This year, the event will be held on Father's Day.

139 DISCUSSION OF FUNDING PROPOSAL FOR ALUC REQUIREMENTS FOR TRUCKEE DONNER PARKS & REC

- Mr. Smith stated that there was a letter received from the Truckee Donner Recreation & Park District requesting
- funding from the District for improvements required to the proposed pool structure to comply with the CLUP. He
- noted that the Truckee Tahoe Airport Land Use Commission, a separate entity from the Truckee Tahoe Airport
- District, is the organization that has placed the requirements on new buildings. The estimated funding required is
- approximately \$280,000, but has not been reviewed by the Airport District Engineer. He stated that with the right
- policy, there may be a place, if funding is available to assist in public buildings owned by public agencies.
- Director Hetherington stated that any way to work with different agencies is good synergy. Director Van Berkem
- 147 questioned who paid for the recreation center reinforcements. Mr. Smith stated that Truckee Donner Rec & Park
- paid for that. He disclosed that he is a member of the Truckee Tahoe Land Use Commission, as required by state
- statute. District Counsel Collinson stated that he is the Placer County representative for the Airport District on the
- 150 Truckee Tahoe Land Use Commission as well.
- 151 Mr. Steve Randall, the General Manager of the Truckee Donner Recreation & Park District stated that for the pool
- 152 structure, there is a very tight budget. Director Van Berkem questioned when the decision was made to begin the
- process of constructing an aquatics center, if the numbers shown to the community reflected this work and the
- 154 cost of the structure. Mr. Randall stated that there was a certain amount of money set aside for those
- expectations, approximately \$100,000. President Jones questioned if there is authorization to break ground if
- there is enough funding. Mr. Randall stated that the project is out to bid, with the total project cost being

- approximately \$7.2 million. Vice President Morrison questioned the reserves that would be available should this
- project go over budget. Mr. Randall stated that there are some potential reserves, but it will be tight.
- Mr. Randall gave a description of what the structure will look like with the total building area approximately
- 160 26,000 ft. Vice President Morrison questioned when the project could start. Mr. Randall stated it could start the
- middle of April, weather depending, and would be approximately a 10 month to one year project. He stated that
- this facility would be a replacement for the pool at Truckee High School. He requested consideration of funding
- from the Board, asking for an approval of the concept. President Jones stated that the approval for funding will
- not come during this meeting, just the approval to move forward with the project.
- 165 Mr. Kevin Murphy, Chairman of the Truckee Donner Rec & Park District gave a little background on how the
- reserves have been drawn down approximately \$900,000 over the years.

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- Mr. Terry stated that the current site was explicitly identified for the recreation center during the CLUP process.
- He stated that there may be some sort of hazard by having this building under a takeoff route. It would be in the
- District's best interest to help fund any safety improvements that are desired for the building.
- 171 Director Van Berkem questioned how much more land falls into this same category of required safety
- improvements in public buildings. Mr. Bullock stated that he met with District Engineer Bill Quesnel regarding the
- safety of the building. Since this building would be under a takeoff route, the building would be intended to
- 174 produce enough enhancement of the current engineering for a plane to hit a building, with enough time to get
- the occupants out of that building. Mr. Smith answered Director Van Berkem's question pointing out the different
- 176 CLUP zones around the Airport, stating that the "B1", "C" and limited section of the "D" zones would be the areas
- that would require safety improvements in public buildings.
- 178 Mr. Terry stated that this project should be looked at on a 40-50 year horizon, and there should be a thought to
- upgrade the glass to laminated glass to soundproof the building.
- Director Wallace stated that she would like to see a policy to give guidance for projects like this in the future. Vice
- 181 President Morrison questioned if Mr. Randall will come back with bids and line items as to where the money will
- be spent. Mr. Randall confirmed this, stating that bids are due February 7, 2014. Director Van Berkem asked staff
- for a better understanding of this project, as well as the potential land use for the next 10-20 years at the
- 184 February Board meeting. He would like to understand the potential liability as well. Mr. Bullock mentioned that a
- new CLUP will come out of the new Master Plan process. Director Hetherington questioned what else could go in
- that space, such as a library, or parking. Mr. Smith stated that there is not much acreage in the indicated zones
- that could be eligible for public buildings. Director Wallace would like noise mitigation to be part of the policy for
- these types of projects.

WEBSITE UPDATE

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- Mr. Bullock stated that the milestone committee has been working on the new website for approximately four
- and a half months. The new website is in draft form and is not yet published. Mr. Robert Bousquet, the managing
- 192 partner of New Leaders, gave a presentation on the draft website and how it differs and is an improvement on the
- 193 current website. The ability to update the website will be a lot easier as well, as there have been some complaints
- about keeping the current website up to date.

- 195 Vice President Morrison questioned if there will be TAF (terminal area forecast) data on the new website as well.
- 196 Mr. Bullock stated that has not yet been discussed. TAF data is future forecasting of the weather, whereas METAR
- data is what is happening with the weather at the present time. Mr. Bousquet reminded everyone that this
- 198 website will be a living document, and not a published book. Director Wallace questioned the frequency of having
- to keep the data accurate, especially in relation to Board members information. Mr. Bullock stated that there will
- be a schedule for revisions, and analytics will be used to find out what is valuable to the users, so staff can cut out
- the information that is not needed. Mr. Bousquet stated that there will also be a feedback mechanism on the
- 202 each page of the website. Director Hetherington stated that at the CSDA conference some of the Board members
- 203 recently attended, it was communicated that having transparency with the Board is a good thing. Mr. Bullock
- stated that some of the information on the website is mandated by the CSDA District Transparency Certificate of
- 205 Excellence that TTAD is interested in obtaining.

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- Mr. Reinkens stated that he just attended a safety meeting in Reno, and he would like to have the new website
- indicate where the safety problems are at the Truckee Tahoe Airport for people coming in.
- 209 President Jones stated for the next set of flight videos, he would like to see several pilots participate in the
- 210 comments and dialogue.

HISTORICAL USAGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES PRESENTATION

- 212 President Jones gave an introduction to this, stating that since the Board retreat is January 29, 2014, he wanted to
- 213 know where the District is going next in terms of property tax. Ms. Dykstra stated that the first spreadsheet
- details the percentage of property tax used by category, by fiscal year. The second spreadsheet is the actual
- dollar value of some of the selected categories, and how they lay out proportionately on the graph. President
- Jones stated that in the last ten years, the District has generated approximately \$39 million in property tax
- 217 revenue. Of that approximate \$39 million, approximately 28% is still in liquid asset form. He stated that the
- administration building represents 20% of the property tax revenue. He would like to keep in mind how the
- 219 District has allocated resources in the past to see what needs improvement or changing. Director Wallace stated
- that it might be something to consider to have a plan that extends 30 to 50 years in the future.

221 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 222 Mr. Terry stated that he does not think that there is a natural place for public building modifications or sound
- reduction efforts in the categories as listed. If the District starts to get involved in these projects, the categories
- 224 may need to be broadened.

GODBE AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT

- 226 Mr. Smith stated that the Ad Hoc Committee went through the Godbe Report and removed questions that were
- 227 no longer relevant. Director Hetherington questioned if any night operations questions were captured elsewhere
- in the report as that was one of the questions removed. President Jones stated that it is captured elsewhere, but
- the night operations question was taken out because it implied that the District could do something it could not.
- 230 The Ad Hoc Committee thought it was best to remove the question rather than create the wrong impression of
- 231 what the authority of the District is. Director Hetherington questioned if the public supports the District spending
- money to determine if there is a way to make it harder for night operations. Mr. Smith stated that Mr. Kirsch will
- 233 help staff understand night operations and what can be done about them.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 236 Mr. Smith reviewed the upcoming training opportunities. He also gave an update on the four Ad Hoc Committees
- that are continuing to meet on a regular basis regarding the Master Plan, land leasing, legal services, and the
- 238 Godbe survey. There was an article in *Moonshine Ink* regarding Clear Capital and their possible decision to move
- to Nevada. Mr. Smith stated that both the District and the Town of Truckee have worked very hard to
- accommodate Clear Capital, and there will hopefully be an update at the February Board meeting. There will be a
- safety seminar on February 18, 2014 by Mr. Chris Snideman. The Board budget workshop will be April 23, 2014
- 242 before the regular Board meeting.
- There was a conversation in one of the 2013 Board meetings regarding what is appropriate in terms of electronic
- device usage. The Board must be Brown Act compliant at all times. In relation to what is appropriate for the
- public to text or email a Board member a comment during a meeting, it should come through a staff member.
- 246 Mr. Smith questioned if there should be a policy for this. Vice President Morrison stated that it is not worth
- setting up a policy since it is not presently an issue. President Jones stated that if there is a member of the public
- that would like to discuss an issue, that person should come to the Board meetings to discuss it. He stated that
- the Board is Brown Act compliant when it comes to their actions and the electronic device usage. District Counsel
- 250 Collinson stated that the law is always behind technology. The position that the law sees now is that it does not
- 251 matter what form of media is being used, it must be Brown Act compliant.

252 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- 253 Mr. Terry reminded the Board that ACAT was first to use iPads during the meetings, and suggested that the Board
- use them as a tool as well.
- 255 Director Van Berkem stated that he would rather wait until it becomes a problem before implementing a policy.
- 256 Mr. Smith talked about the upcoming Board retreat, and the afternoon meeting with the Town of Truckee.
- 257 Mr. Smith stated that Mr. Kirsch will come to the February ACAT meeting to discuss night operations. President
- 258 Jones would like this meeting to be taped. Mr. Smith stated that he would look into having the meeting either
- recorded or broadcasted. Director Hetherington questioned if it was appropriate if three or more Board members
- attended this meeting. District Counsel Collinson stated that as it is a publicly noticed meeting, the majority of
- the Board can go, but cannot discuss anything with each other.
- The summer pavement maintenance program will be brought to the Board in February. The runway obstruction
- removal is complete. The multi-use hangar study will hopefully be brought to the Board in February as well.
- 264 Director Hetherington questioned the status of the aviation safety initiatives and if anything is currently
- 265 happening with some of the brainstorming that occurred before NBAA. Mr. Smith stated that there has not yet
- been any other discussion regarding anything more than the current incentive program already in place.
- There was discussion regarding the schedule of upcoming Board meetings. It was decided to have closed session
- after the Board meeting.
- 269 Director Van Berkem asked Mr. Smith if staff is working on the letter presented by Ms. Meagher. Mr. Smith
- stated that he had not known about the letter prior to its presentation at this meeting. District Counsel Collinson
- reminded everyone that as that letter was part of public comment, the Board is unable to comment on it.

- **BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 273 Director Hetherington stated that she will not be present at the February regular Board meeting.
- 274 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
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- 276 **MOTION #4 JAN-22-14:** Vice President Morrison moved to adjourn. Director Hetherington seconded the motion.
- 277 President Jones, Vice President Morrison, and Directors Van Berkem, Wallace and Hetherington voted in favor of
- the motion. The motion passed.
- 279 At 8:24 p.m. the January 22, 2014 regular meeting of the Truckee Tahoe Airport Board of Directors adjourned.

