DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, October 12th, 2026, at 6:00 PM both in person and via Zoom Video Conference call. There were 6 PDK AAB members: 4 in person, 2 online.

Members Present: Doug Miller (AAB Chair), Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Vice Chair), Reuben Jones, Jordan Fox, Tess Snipes, Nicole Jennings

Members Absent: Mike Reeves, Will Childs

Others Present: Hunter Hines (Airport Director), Korey Barnes (Airport Operations Manager), Sarah Moore (Airport N&E Analyst)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by AAB Chair Doug Miller

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the September 2026 minutes was made by Larry Scheinpflug and seconded by Tess Snipes. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Information/Old Business

A. **Airport Director's Report delivered by Airport Director (Hunter Hines)**:

1. Airfield Crack Seal and Remarking Project: 3L/21R permanent markings in progress. Expect completion tomorrow. Will then move to ramp in front of playground for permanent markings.
2. Airport Perimeter Fencing Project: In progress. Currently working on north end of field replacing fencing. Gates are also in progress. Gate 11and 16 complete. Gate 7 in progress.

Noise & Environmental Report September 2026: N&E Analyst, Sarah Moore delivered the following report:

The September 2026 Noise Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: Total operations were 17,387 which is an increase of 43.02% as compared to September of 2025. There were 546 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2026 year-to-date operations are 145,502 as compared to the total operations as of September 2025 of 133,167. In September 40% of operations were on a southerly flow, 58% were to the north, and 2% were on the NW/SE runway. Noise complaints: A total of 1414 complaints consisting of 52 complainants. Of that, 3 were new complainants. 27.2 households made complaints. Minus the top two households, the average was 17.6 complaints per household. One complainant accounted for 279 of the 1414 complaints (40%). Top five complainants accounted for 924 of the 1414 complaints (81%). The majority of the complaints were made between 12:00PM and 5:59PM (33%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that three zip codes, 30319, 30345, and 30092 generated 22% of the complaints each. A total of 210 advisory letters were sent to aircraft operators who flew during the Voluntary Curfew Period who were not identified as MedEvac and/or other emergency flights. Regarding High Noise Events, 15 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

Motion to accept the September 2026 Noise Report was made by Larry Scheinpflug and seconded by Reuben Jones. Pending one edit to be made to slide presentation, Motion passed unanimously.

Other:

Board Member Jordan Fox expressed appreciation for the success of the Good Neighbor Day air show and shared that he received a complaint from an attendee about not finding water stations that were advertised. Airport Director Hunter Hines taking under advisement for next show as it was reported by other attendees

as well. Board Member Tess Snipes asked for the overall attendance number. Hunter Hines reported that attendance exceeded 10,000.

- Co-Chair Larry Scheinpflug asked about Landing Fees and what projects will be funded with the 1.8 million collected after 5 months, specifically, will there be funds for t-hangars as we discussed in the past. Airport Director Hunter Hines clarified that t-hangars are a line item for an assessment but no new t-hangars are currently planned. There will be additional GA items added to the next draft of the project list. He also explained that the budget provided after last months meeting listed federally and state funded projects only. The current list doesn't include local financed projects that would include landing fee collections. Much conversation ensued around the room on this topic.
- Board Chair Doug Miller asked for an update on Sky Harbour. Hunter Hines shared that Sky Harbour has approved all terms and is now getting ready to work on the contract.

II. **New Business**:

NONE

III. **Public Comments:**

- PDKAA representative Joe McCarty asked how waitlist is processed? Airport Director Hunter Hines explained the process.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:08 p.m. by Larry Scheinpflug and seconded by Reuben Jones. Motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by:

Lori Bell

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

Doug Miller

Doug Miller (AAB Chair)