



MINUTES

December 5, 2013 RAC Meeting

1. Call to Order, Mike McCartney, Regional Aviation Committee Chairman
 - a. Chairman Mr. Michael McCartney opened the December 5, 2013 DVRPC Regional Aviation Committee meeting at 10:15 am.
2. Introductions
 - a. Chairman McCartney asked all in attendance to introduce themselves by name and affiliation.
3. Minutes of the September 19, 2013 RAC Meeting
 - a. The minutes were approved as presented.
4. Status of Regional Airports (2 Minute Reports):
 - a. Delaware:
 - i. New Castle/Wilmington: Steve Williams deferred to the presentation section of the meeting as he was to give a presentation on current activities at ILG at that time.
 - ii. Summit: An airport representative was not present.
 - b. Maryland:
 - i. Cecil County: David Metzler found on the AOPA internet site that Cecil County Airport was sold for \$1.34 million at auction and that the new owner plans to keep operating it as an airport. The new owner's name was not announced.
 - c. New Jersey:
 - i. Camden County: One grant offer was withdrawn.
 - ii. Cross Keys: AECOM has provided different scenarios under the grant which are out for discussion and will meet with NJDOT to discuss.
 - iii. Flying W: No new projects were reported.
 - iv. Red Lion: No new projects were reported.
 - v. South Jersey Regional: Finalizing Jet A installation, master plan updated submitted to HARADO.
 - vi. Spitfire Aerodrome: Grant transfers are being finalized per change in airport ownership.
 - vii. Trenton-Mercer: EMAS installation and passenger terminal upgrade completed. In design phase of taxiway rebuilding.
 - viii. Trenton-Robbinsville: Several grants have expired as owners did not plan to proceed with them.
 - d. Pennsylvania:

- i. Brandywine: No new projects were reported.
 - ii. Chester County: No new projects were reported.
 - iii. Doylestown: A stormwater management project is underway. The airport is also focusing on obstruction removal.
 - iv. Heritage Field: No new projects were reported.
 - v. New Garden: Phase II of runway project underway, the Future Aviators program will go into local schools in January.
 - vi. Northeast Philadelphia: No new projects were reported.
 - vii. Pennridge: No new projects were reported.
 - viii. Perkiomen Valley: No new projects were reported.
 - ix. Philadelphia International: Taxiway K extension underway. Design of taxiway EE and H 90% complete. Terminal F hub area opened.
 - x. Philadelphia Seaplane Base: An airport representative was not present. There was a discussion of the on-call FBO service.
 - xi. Pottstown Municipal: Design for runway rehabilitation underway.
 - xii. Quakertown: Fuel system repaired, runway repainting completed. John Mininger expressed his appreciation to DVRPC and Dave Metzler who provided expertise in line striping to the volunteers at Quakertown airport and also assisted in the striping and repainting of the main runway.
 - xiii. Vansant: No new projects were reported.
 - xiv. Wings Field: Terminal ramp renovation completed.
 - e. Heliports
 - i. Penn's Landing Heliport: Sea wall reconstruction and deck rehab bid process 97% complete and permit applications are underway. Sterling Helicopter is adding space for twin engine helicopters at Croyden facility.
5. PA Department of Community & Economic Development Update
- a. Lisa Worden spoke on the successful efforts to institute aircraft parts sales tax exemption and on DCED's domestic and international outreach efforts to attract business to the state.
6. Presentations
- a. Jim Robinson, Regional Emergency Planner, FAA Eastern Regional Office, gave a presentation on Emergency Management/Crisis Response
 - b. Steve Williams, Director of Airports, The Delaware River & Bay Authority, gave a presentation on new commercial activities at ILG Airport.
7. DVRPC Planning Activities
- a. Kale Driemeier discussed ongoing RASP activities, included student pilot survey and aircraft capacity survey.
 - b. Dave Metzler discussed the ongoing aircraft traffic activities; one more counting season is remaining and the new counting project will begin in the spring at Brandywine, Chester County, Flying W, New Garden, South Jersey Regional, and Summit airports.
 - c. Paul Carafides discussed the AWOS project; a new ceilometer for Hammonton was approved, AWOS problems at Alexandria were rectified and a new antenna installed.
8. Capital Funding Program Status

- a. FAA. CIP letters went out and airports should schedule their meetings with FAA in January/February.
 - b. Pennsylvania. Planning meetings were conducted in Reading. Updates made through JSOP. An extra \$5-\$6 million will be available for aviation from the new transportation funding bill.
 - c. New Jersey. CIP completed, no matching funds required at this time.
 - d. Delaware. Delaware Airpark and Sussex County airports received money for expansion [note these airports are outside DVRPC aviation planning area]
 - e. Maryland. No MDOT representative present.
9. Old Business
- a. Nothing to report.
10. New Business
- a. John Mininger noted that Rob Rockmaker is no longer executive director of the Aviation Council of Penn., a new director will be named soon.
 - b. Ted Dahlburg mentioned the upcoming DVRPC board retreat and TRB January meeting.
 - c. Bob Checchi mentioned the New Jersey Aviation Conference will take place on May 2 in Princeton.
11. Announcements/ Adjournment
- a. Confirmed the following RAC Meeting Dates for 2014:
 - i. March 20
 - ii. June 19
 - iii. September 18
 - iv. December 18
 - b. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Attendance

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Bobbie Geier	DELDOT
Dave Metzler	DVRPC
Diego Rincon	PHL
Elaine Farashian	Aero Club of PA
Gary Luczak	TranSystems
Greg Fredrickson	Michael Baker Corp.
Hank Stoebenau	Wings Field
James Robinson	FAA Eastern Region
Jeff Gilley	NBAA
Jim Fels	FAA-HADO
John Brewer	Northeast Philadelphia Airport (PNE)
John Mininger	Bucks County Aviation Authority
Jonathan Martin	New Garden Airport
Joy Bose	Perkiomen Valley Airport
Kale Driemeier	DVRPC
Lisa Worden	DCED
Mark Tiger	Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson
Mary Scheuermann	Parsons Brinkerhoff
Michael Anzalone	Sterling Helicopter
Michael McCartney	PHL
Reiner Pelzer	AECOM
Rich Delello	BRRAM
Rob Betz	PennDOT BOA
Roger Moog	NJAA/ACP
Ron Harbest	NJDOT
Ron Morris	L.R. Kimball
Sean Campbell	DRWC
Shirley Loveless	Temple U. Ctr for Sustainable Communities
Stephen Williams	DRBA
Ted Dahlburg	DVRPC
Tom Tomczyk	PennDOT BOA