
June 12, 2025

The Board of Commissioners of the Arapahoe County Public Airport Authority, Arapahoe County, Colorado, held a regular meeting open to the public at Centennial Airport Administration Complex, 7565 South Peoria St., Englewood, Colorado, located within the County, on June 12, 2025, at 3:00 pm

The following members were present:

Commissioner Bagnato, Chair
Commissioner Campbell, Chair Pro-Tem
Commissioner Baker, Clerk
Commissioner Beatty, Assistant Clerk
Commissioner Summey, Treasurer
Commissioner Huffman, Ex-Officio

The following members were absent, but excused:

Commissioner Laydon, Ex-Officio
Commissioner Sieber, Ex-Officio

Each Commissioner was notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting and the purpose to which it was called. At least three (3) days prior to the date of the meeting, Public Meeting notices were posted, and an agenda was posted on the Authority's website and in the window of the door at the Administration building. Please note that this public meeting was held through video and web conferencing software options for the Board members, staff, and public.

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Bagnato called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amendments to the Agenda

- Item #8: Centennial Airport Foundation - Award of Aviation Scholarships is now Item #10
- Item #9: South Metro Fire Presentation is now Item #8
- Item #10: Airport Update and Legislative Report is now Item #9
- Item #13: Received new and updated documentation.

Next Meetings

- August 6, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m. – Noise Roundtable Meeting – Wright Brothers' Room, Hybrid/Virtual
- August 14, 2025 @ 3:00 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting – Wright Brothers' Room, Hybrid/Virtual

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approve Minutes of May 8, 2025,** **Stacey Davenport**
Recommendation: Motion to approve the minutes of May 8, 2025, and authorize the Chair to sign
- 2. April 2025 Financial Reports** **Andrew Gillespie**
Recommendation: Advisory
- 3. Variance for Parking Requirement for Deluxe Public Charter, LLC dba JSX Air** **Lauren Wiarda**
Recommendation: Motion to approve parking requirement variance for Deluxe Public Charter, LLC dba JSX Air to operate out of the hangar located at 8156 Interport Blvd
- 4. Renewal Application from West Star Aviation to conduct Aircraft Maintenance and Avionics Repair** **Luke Skaflen**
Recommendation: Motion to approve West Star Aviation, LLC re-application and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the associated 10-year Agreement Under Standards (AUS)
- 5. APA Equipment Storage Building** **Lauren Wiarda**
Recommendation: Motion to award the contract for the APA Equipment Storage Building to Calahan Construction Services and authorize the Chair and Clerk to sign the Contract and the Chair to sign the Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed
- 6. Approval of Consent Agenda** **Thad Bagnato**
Recommendation: Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner Beatty made a comment on Item #8 of the Business agenda.

The motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS AGENDA

7. Items Moved to the Business Agenda

Thad Bagnato

No items moved from the Consent Agenda for discussion

8. South Metro Fire South Metro Presentation

Bill Shriver

Recommendation: Advisory

South Metro Fire Rescue presented an overview of its current financial challenges to stakeholders and community leaders. The presentation highlighted a significant decline in revenue due to recent property tax legislation, particularly HB24-1001, which has had a major impact on special districts like South Metro. At the same time, operational costs—including equipment, facilities, and apparatus—have increased substantially. As a result, the organization is facing a projected annual shortfall of approximately \$50 million.

The estimated revenue decline is expected to reach \$16 million in 2026 and approximately \$270 million over the next decade. Potential strategies to address the gap included service reductions, a property tax increase, or the introduction of a sales tax. The board had not yet decided on a course of action and was actively seeking feedback from the community and Authority members.

Commissioner Campbell commented on the Arapahoe County Mill Levy amounts.

Following the presentation, a question-and-answer session was held. Commissioner Campbell emphasized the importance of the presentation and inquired about potential service reductions and how they might impact Centennial Airport. The presenter assured that the airport remains a priority for South Metro Fire Rescue.

Commissioner Campbell also asked for clarification on the projected \$16 million shortfall beginning in 2026 and inquired about any potential changes to South Metro's strategic plan regarding expenditures. The presenter responded that a range of strategies is currently under consideration to address the financial challenges.

Commissioner Campbell concluded by commending South Metro Fire Rescue for its efforts during a difficult financial period, stating that the department remains one of the best in the state.

Chair Bagnato asked about the relationship between the fire department and the County. Commissioner Campbell and Mr. Shriver provided responses to those questions. Commissioner Baker also contributed to the discussion by commenting on the relationship in the context of tax collection and distribution.

Following this Commissioner Huffman, asked about the \$16 million and where does that apply. Mr. Shriver answered. Commissioner Huffman asked about the training facility at the airport and Mr. Fronapfel answered. Commissioner Beatty asked about how changes are going to be communicated to the airport. Mr. Shriver answered.

9. Legislative Report and Airport Update

Mike Fronapfel

Recommendation: Advisory

Mr. Fronapfel, highlighted the relationship with South Metro Fire Department and Centennial Airport, stating the great addition they have been to the airport with their services.

Then, he started the presentation, providing an update on several key operational and development activities. In May, 9,673 gallons of UL94 unleaded avgas were sold despite the UL94 fuel truck being out of service for a couple of weeks in May. Year-to-date unleaded fuel sales were down approximately 21%, primarily due to ongoing maintenance issues and reduced training during afternoon thunderstorms. The maintenance problems with the fuel truck appeared to be resolved, and options for a backup truck were being explored.

The Study Group had held 49 meetings to date, continuing collaboration with BridgeNet to implement the Flight School Dashboard. Although noise complaints were expected to rise with the summer season, initial analysis indicated year-over-year reductions in overflights of the Study Area. Some community members had affirmed that conditions had improved. Also mentioned that a flight school meeting is coming up soon.

The Lobby Group submitted four recommended questions/statements to Senator Hickenlooper for the Senate confirmation hearing of proposed FAA Administrator Bryan Bedford. However, the Senator did not ask the submitted questions during the hearing, which largely focused on safety, modernization, and service. His staff indicated the questions would be submitted in writing. Mr. Bedford responded positively to the potential use of remote tower technology at non-towered airports, which could enhance safety and help

distribute training traffic. Mr. Fronapfel expressed overall confidence in Mr. Bedford's performance but noted the lack of discussion around noise and environmental issues at the hearing.

On the facilities front, rehabilitation of Taxiway C is set to be completed this summer, while construction on Taxiway D and the S3 connector has already finished. Tower rehabilitation work has been delayed, pending County permit approval, and was expected to take just over a year once started.

Phase One of the Sky Harbour hangar project is 50% complete, with full completion and leasing expected by the end of summer. Signature plans to begin construction on a new hangar west of the Airport Admin Building in late summer, with completion targeted for the end of the following year. The Colorado Karting Circuit hopes to finish its entry road within a month and begin main building construction this summer.

The Four Points by Sheraton has hired a full staff and began Marriott training. The official hotel opening is scheduled for June 19, with a celebration to follow.

Lastly, the Runway 5K held on June 7 was reported as a tremendous success, drawing over 1,500 attendees. Mr. Fronapfel extended thanks to airport staff, volunteers, vendors, and sponsors for their support. And then introduced, Mr. Jeremy Gunn to give more details.

Mr. Gunn stated the 5K event was held this past Saturday and was a sold-out event with 1,687 registered participants from all over the country. He thanked all volunteers and specifically thanked Ms. Blymyer and Mr. Gabehart for the hard work on the event. Then he provided the numbers on sponsorship and compared it to last year's event, highlighting the estimated funds raised for the Centennial Airport Foundation of \$85,000. Mr. Fronapfel then thanked Ms. Sharlene Glover for doing all the accounting and bookkeeping for the event. Then, Mr. Gunn showed pictures for the event, also acknowledge the sponsors and thanking them.

Mr. Gunn proceeded to show some pictures from the event and thanked the sponsors. Chair Bagnato commented on the importance of the 5K as an event.

Commissioner Huffman referenced the pilot meeting held on Tuesday and inquired about the questions at the confirmation hearing. Mr. Fronapfel responded. Commissioner Huffman then requested additional information regarding flight schools and remote towers, to which Mr. Fronapfel again responded.

Chair Bagnato asked whether the issue of the FAA's staffing shortage was discussed during that meeting. Mr. Fronapfel confirmed that it was, noting that the FAA is working to reduce barriers for applicants and to increase the number of trainees.

Commissioner Summey also raised a question about the hearing, specifically why none of the questions proposed by the airport were selected. Mr. Fronapfel suggested that the decision may have resulted from a combination of factors, emphasizing that safety remains a top priority for senators and other elected officials.

10. Award of Aviation Scholarship Recipients through the Centennial Airport Foundation ("CAF")

Jeremy Gunn

Recommendation: Advisory

Mr. Gunn expressed gratitude to the airport staff for organizing the 2024 Runway 5K, which raised funds to establish the scholarship program, and thanked the CAF Board members for their support in making the program a success.

Mr. Gunn shared that the CAF Scholarship Program received numerous applications, with 38 applicants meeting the required criteria. From these, three recipients were selected. He proudly announced the scholarship winners giving a brief description for each one of them, who each received \$10,000 in one of three categories:

- **Robert P. Olislagers Memorial Scholarship for Aviation Management:** Jacob Ablanczy
- **Aircraft Maintenance/A&P Mechanic:** Tatum Rasmussen
- **Professional Pilot:** Alexander Buchanan

Commissioner Baker expressed that it was particularly meaningful for those present to witness the awarding of the first Robert P. Olislagers Scholarship, recognizing the significant contributions Mr. Olislagers made to the airport.

Following this, Mr. Gunn introduced Mr. Kendall, a professor in the Aviation Department at MSU. Mr. Kendall expressed his gratitude for the opportunities provided and for honoring the students. He highlighted how scholarships like this help make dreams a

reality and play a crucial role in shaping the future of the aviation industry by supporting the next generation of aviation professionals. He emphasized that Centennial Airport is a part of the journey for an overwhelming number of their students.

Commissioner Beatty addressed the students, encouraging them to think about "paying it forward." He emphasized that, as the next generation of aviation professionals, they not only can shape the industry but also have the responsibility to inspire and mentor others. He challenged them to consider how they would spread the creativity and inspiration they receive, congratulating them on their achievements. Commissioner Campbell also offered her congratulations to the scholarship recipients, mentioning that it is the work they have already done that made them stand out from the other applicants. Commissioner Summey also congratulated them. Commissioner Huffman also noted that while the pilot shortage is widely acknowledged, the aircraft maintenance shortage often goes unmentioned, and he congratulate the recipient of the maintenance scholarship for their contribution to addressing this critical need.

11. Audit of the ACPAA Financial Statements for the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2023

Karmyn Jeffries

Recommendation: Advisory

Mr. Andrew Gillespie introduced Mrs. Jeffries, the auditor, who was invited to present the audit of the ACPAA Financial Statements for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2023, and December 31, 2024.

Mrs. Jeffries began her presentation by expressing her gratitude to the staff. She reported that Centennial Airport received a positive audit opinion, reflecting a strong financial standing.

She provided an overview of the key items in the reports, offering clarity on the details. She emphasized that, overall, the results were favorable. Additionally, she recommended that the Board pay particular attention to specific sections of the reports to gain a better understanding of the airport's overall financial health.

Commissioner Campbell asked about the reports and Mrs. Jeffries answered. Commissioner Huffman asked about the findings on the report and asked about internal control. Mrs. Jeffries, replied.

Motion to approve the ACPAA Financial Statements for the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2023 was made by Commissioner Summey and seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Fronapfel thanked Mrs. Jeffries and her team for the work done and recognized the Centennial Airport team.

At 4:27 pm before continuing with the meeting, Commissioner Campbell made a motion to move to a recess of 5 minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Summey. Motion passed.

Commissioners came back in session at 4:32pm.

12. Public Hearing Jurisdiction

Kimberly Bruetsch

Recommendation: Advisory

Mrs. Bruetsch, as legal counsel confirmed that each of the notices for the public hearing were properly published and proceeded to establish the jurisdiction.

13. Delux Public Charter, LLC - Application under Centennial Airport's Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities.

Luke Skaflen

Recommendation: Motion to approve the Minimum Standards application from Delux Public Charter, LLC (d/b/a JSX Air) and authorize the Chair and Clerk to sign the associated 10-year Agreement Under Standards.

Mr. Skaflen provided a summary of the application submitted on May 9th by Delux Public Charter, LLC (d/b/a JSX Air) to conduct Air Charter activities under Part 3, Section (5) of Centennial Airport's Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities. He explained that the Applicant, an FAA Part 135 charter operator, intend to operate under DOT Part 380, with JetSuiteX. He outlined that the Applicant's fleet consists of Embraer ERJ 135 and 145 aircraft, each seating up to 30 passengers. The Applicant has proposed routes to four destinations, departure dates and times will vary, with plans to expand in the future.

The Applicant has secured office and lobby space at 8156 Interport Blvd, on the Sunborne leasehold, and has committed to providing adequate parking for customers.

He confirmed that the Applicant's premises and aircraft liability coverage meets or exceeds the insurance requirements outlined in the Standards. Mr. Skaflen concluded that the application was satisfactory, and staff recommends approval.

Commissioner Campbell inquired about the availability of departures. Mr. Edmondson responded that availability varies by destination, as demand for travel to different locations will dictate the scheduling. Chair Bagnato then asked about the booking process, specifically regarding public departure times and destinations, and how this might affect variability. Mr. Edmondson explained that once approval is granted, the departure times will be based on demand. Commissioner Huffman asked about the company's relationship with United Airlines, to which Mr. Edmondson confirmed that they are an investor. Then, Commissioner Huffman asked about the parking spaces and Mr. Edmondson replied they have handled this via good communication with their customers and set good expectations. He also asked about the loading area and Mr. Edmondson replied.

Commissioner Campbell also commented on the number of flights per day in peak season and inquired about the type of aircraft used. She also asked about the operational aspects of the company, particularly regarding the shift between airports and timing. Mr. Edmondson responded to these questions.

Chair Bagnato then commented on how the company would communicate the transition to the public, and Mr. Edmondson provided his response. Finally, Commissioner Campbell asked about the anticipated commencement dates, and Mr. Edmondson replied with the relevant details.

Commissioner Campbell then inquired about the route to Dallas, and Mr. Edmondson responded accordingly. She also asked about the use of unleaded avgas for their operations. Mr. Edmondson confirmed the company's commitment to sustainability and outlined their plans for incorporating hybrids into their operations.

Questions were opened to the public. Mrs. Thompson commented on the noise and the traffic that may be generated due to JSX operations. Mr. Edmondson stated that her comments were valid, and noise abatement will be taken seriously.

Commissioner Campbell motioned to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss certain details pursuant to CRS Section 24-6-402(4): (a) purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal or other property interest; (b) conference with an attorney for purposes of receiving advice on specific legal questions; (c) matters to be kept confidential by federal or state law; (d) security arrangements; (e) determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations or negotiation strategies; and (f) personnel matters. No decisions would be made during this session, and it would be advisory in nature. Commissioner Summey seconded the motion, which passed. Following the executive session, the floor was opened for questions from Board members.

Commissioner Campbell inquired about operational procedures and the number of flights permitted under the operator's certificate. Mr. Edmondson provided a response. Commissioner Campbell also asked about the policy regarding flight cancellations for operators under Part 380. Mr. Edmondson addressed that as well.

Mr. Edmondson then clarified the type of certificate held and explained relevant airport-specific regulations. Mr. Fronapfel asked questions regarding the types of certificates and their applicability across different airports. Mr. Edmondson responded accordingly. Following this Commissioner Huffman and Chair Bagnato asked about government funding and Mr. Edmondson replied. After this, Mrs. Thompson asked about chartered flights from Centennial and Mr. Fronapfel, Mr. Edmondson, and Commissioner Campbell responded.

A person online commented on the questions asked by the Board and the audience, regarding the noise and the traffic.

Commissioner Campbell made the motion to approve the Minimum Standards application from Delux Public Charter, LLC (d/b/a JSX Air) and authorize the Chair and Clerk to sign the associated 10-year Agreement Under Standards. Seconded by Commissioner Summey, motion passed unanimously.

14. Centennial Aerotech, LLC Application under Centennial Airport's Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities.

Luke Skaflen

Recommendation: Motion to approve the application from Manifest d/b/a Skyroads Aviation and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the associated 10-year Agreement Under Standards.

Mr. Skaflen started the presentation and informed that Centennial Aero-Tech, LLC (the "Applicant") has submitted its application under the airport's Minimum Standards to conduct Aircraft Maintenance, as defined under Part 3, Section (11) of the Minimum Standards. Mr. Skaflen stated that the Applicant had secured office and hangar space as required, located at 7515 S. Peoria Street Unit A in the Alpha North area. They would be open Monday through Friday 8am to 5pm.

Mr. Skaflen stated that the Applicant had satisfied all applicable requirements under the Minimum Standards including insurance. Staff recommended approval of the application.

Commissioner Huffman asked about the forms of operations (mobile or on call service) and type of aircraft and service. Mr. Scott Smith, representative of Centennial Aerotech, LLC answered. Commissioner Beatty asked about staffing and the opportunities to grow more. Mr. Smith confirmed they plan to expand.

Commissioner Campbell made the motion to approve the Centennial Aero-Tech, LLC application and authorize Chair and Clerk to sign the associated 10 year Agreement Under Standards, seconded by Commissioner Summey, motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

15. Fuel and Operations Report for May 2025

Ethan Nason

Mr. Nason presented the following information:

- Monthly Operations, May: Down 5.8% from 2024 at 27,847.
- 2025 YTD Operations: Down 10.2% from 2024 at 126,596.
- Monthly 94UL, May: Down 29% from 2024 at 9,673.
- 2025 YTD 94UL: Down 21.3% from 2024 at 49,402.
- Monthly 100LL, May: Up 11.6% from 2024 at 55,811.
- 2025 YTD 100LL: Up 7.4% from 2024 at 228,443.
- Monthly AvGas Total, May: Up 3% from 2024 at 65,484.
- 2025 YTD AvGas Total: Up 0.8% from 2024 at 277,845.
- Monthly Jet A, May: Down 3.6% from 2024 at 1,093,448.
- 2025 YTD Jet A: Up 0.1% from 2024 at 5,470,793.
- Monthly Fuel Totals, May: Down 3% from 2024 at 1,158,932.
- 2025 YTD Fuel Totals: Up 0.1% from 2024 at 5,748,638.
- Monthly Market Share for fuel sales, May: JCoC: 43.6%; Signature South: 17.9%; Signature North: 24.1%; Modern: 14.3%; Heliplex: 0.2%

16. Noise Report May 2025

Zach Gabehart

Recommendation: Advisory

Mr. Gabehart presented statistics on the May 2025 Noise complaints and provided the following information:

- For May 2025, there were 1,033 complaints from 72 households.
- The 2025 Year-to-Date complaints are 3,820 from 140 households.
- Arapahoe County Unincorporated led complaints at 24%, followed by Greenwood Village, Parker and others with 19%, then Centennial at 10%, followed by Douglas County Unincorporated and at 6%.
- Of the 1,033 complaints received in May 2025 total of 82 were responded, 75 by email and 7 by phone.
- Of the 1,033 complaints 946 came from daytime operations while 87 came from nighttime operations.
- For May 2025 there were 27,847 operations.
- For the Year 2025 there were 126,596 operations.
- The number one household resides in Arapahoe County with 1438 complaints which make up 38% of the complaints for the year 2025. The top five households make up 62% of the total complaint's year to date.
- For May 2025: Propeller aircraft led complaints by aircraft type with 91%, 8% for Jets, and 1% for helicopter flights. Training led complaints by operation type at 59%, followed by departures at 29% and arrivals at 12%.

Commissioner Campbell asked about the map and if it includes the top 5 households and gave comments on the recent study group meeting. Mr. Gabehart replied.

17. Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable (CACNR) Update

Pam Thompson

Mrs. Thompson reported on the June 4, 2025, meeting of the Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable. She noted that public comments were received from the Colorado Pilots Association, residents of Louviers, and representatives from Elbert County regarding three communication towers. And additional land use concern was submitted via email. The Study Group discussed the issue of unmasked tail numbers in relation to flight tracking and noise monitoring.

Mrs. Thompson also reported that Elbert County submitted a formal request for membership on the Roundtable and will be accepted upon signing the MOU. She concluded by commenting that good things are happening at the airport.

Public Comment

At 5:41 pm Public comment started.

Someone in person started the comments. The participant mentioned he is a pilot and spoke about the zoning commissions in Douglas County. He gave examples on construction approved that are close to the airport and will have noise, therefore the zoning plans are important to avoid future claims for residents. Chair Bagnato gave thanks to the resident for commenting. Commissioner Campbell clarified that they are Arapahoe County commissioners and clarified information regarding the Part 150 study.

A resident online also commented, gave information on the number of airplanes flying over his area, stating that there were days with no planes at all. The resident also stated he has seen some airplanes avoiding the area.

Adjournment

Thad Bagnato

Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm

Execution of Documents

Stacey Davenport

Approved:



Thad Bagnato, Chair

