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Augusta Aviation Commission Masters Committee Meeting Minutes February 10, 2022

Commission: Chair - Mr. Dan Troutman, Vice Chairman - Mr. Larry Harris, Mr. Frank Bowman, Mr. Michael Ciofi, Mr. Mason McKnight, Mr. Wilbert Barrett, Mr. James Germany, and Mr. Randy Sasser

Absent: Mr. Davis Beman

Staff: Mr. Herbert Judon, Mr. Tim Weegar, Mr. Ken Hinkle, Mr. Paul Strycharz, Chief Richard Beal, Sgt. Larry Bracken, Ms. Lauren Smith, Mr. Cody Mitchell, Mr. Joseph Mulderink and Ms. Durinda Davis

Others: Ms. Rachel Mack, *Legal Counsel*; Ms. Dana McIntyre, *The Augusta Press*

Mr. Troutman opened the meeting at 11:04 a.m. with prayer.

I. AGENDA AND MINUTES:

A. FEBRUARY 10, 2022 MEETING AGENDA

No changes to Agenda.

B. MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 9, 2021 MASTERS COMMITTEE MEETING

Motion: Motion made by Mr. McKnight and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the December 9, 2021 Minutes was approved.

II. UPDATES

A. CURRENT TOURNAMENT UPDATE

A full Masters is still expected.

B. FAA REIMBURSABLE AGREEMENT

Approval to pay the FAA Reimbursable Agreement for the amount requested by the FAA.

FAA acknowledged the FAA's letter in January. It was suggested to use the tower contracts for Daniel Field and the one that provides ground control for AGS during Masters as a means of calculation and comparison to the amount of approximately \$151,000 that the FAA is asking to be reimbursed. Mr. Judon will resend the letter that was sent to FAA to the Commission for the benefit of the new members.

Motion: Motion made by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. McKnight to approve the paying the FAA Reimbursable Agreement for the amount requested by the FAA was approved.

C. BADGING FEE INCREASE

The badging fees have remained the same for approximately 15 years and are different dependent upon what type of badge. Airport staff requested approval to increase the badge fee to \$100 for all types of badges.

Motion: Motion made by Mr. McKnight and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve increasing the badge fee to \$100 for all types of badges was approved.

D. *ECORASTER INSTALLATION RESUMPTION*

Installation of the Ecoraster will resume on February 19th to be completed in time for the 5K Run Event as subsequently Masters Week. The address has been tagged on Google as requested by the Committee at the last meeting.

E. *FBO MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS*

There was discussion regarding how the in-flight catering vendor service agreement works. Avfuel has agreed to supply Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) for Masters Week.

F. *FACILITY/MAINTENANCE REPORT/UPDATE*

A summary of Facility/Maintenance preparations for Masters was given. The Committee pointed out some specific landscaping and cleaning items that needed to be completed prior to Masters.

G. *OPERATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS/UPDATES*

John Wayne Calvary, LLC will be providing ground control services again this Masters.

The Marshal's Office will have additional personnel for the week.

ARFF will work 48 hours on/ 24 hours off during Masters week instead of their normal 24 hours on/ 48 hours off. An apparatus will be stationed on the east side.

H. *TERMINAL ENTERTAINMENT*

The Spring Music Fest entertainers will be the same that performed for Christmas.

I. *PASSENGER ASSISTANCE LIAISONS (PALS)*

Staff will be doubled for three weeks for Masters.

J. SPECIAL EVENT ADVERTISING

Nicholas Air will set up a mobile suite and the conference rooms will be turned into VIP suites. There will be digital ads in the terminal.

K. MARKETING PROGRAMS

There will be advertisements for the additional flights the airlines are adding during Masters to different locations that will encourage the local population to use them to get out of town for the week.

L. ADDITIONAL FLIGHTS/COMMERCIAL AIRLINE OPERATIONS

Both airlines will be using larger aircraft for the week and adding flights to additional airports.

M. MISCELLANEOUS

AU Health AirCare will be operating from another location for the week to allow use of their area of the ramp for aircraft parking.

Staff will be meeting this afternoon to discuss Ground Transportation operations for Masters.

N. DISCUSSION

Motion: Motion made by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Bowman to adjourn, was approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED – 12:11 p.m.

Committee Chairman

Date _____