

**CHICAGO EXECUTIVE AIRPORT
AIRPORT NOISE COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016
1020 S. PLANT ROAD
WHEELING, IL 60090
2:00 PM**

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chair Jamie Abbott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call confirmed the following present: Steve Neff and Ray Lang. Larry Rosenthal arrived at 6:32pm.

Absent: Bill Zyrkowski

Also in Attendance: Jamie Abbott – Executive Director
 Vicki Mayr - Recording Secretary
 Scott Campbell – Chief Financial Officer
 Rob Mark – Airport Communications

II. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the December 15, 2015 Noise Committee minutes was made by Ray Lang and seconded by Steve Neff. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

III. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

IV. Committee Chair Report

Jamie Abbott welcomed those in attendance. He then introduced new airport staff members Andrew Wolanik and Bryce Walters as well as Amy Hanson from the FAA.

Jamie reported that he will draft some by-laws regarding the rules and functions of the committee before the next meeting.

An RFQ is in the works for a consultant to update the Noise Exposure Maps (NEMs). We hope to have a consultant by the April board meeting.

A 310 departure procedure is in the works. A notification to pilots has been drafted. It will be done at night on a 6 month trial basis so that consideration can be given to the impact on the noise signature and environmental impact. Additional impact studies will be required for the procedure to become permanent. The procedure would have pilots take off to the north, when

able, and put them on a 310 heading, which would shift the departure noise away from some residential neighborhoods.

Jamie responded to a couple of audience member's questions and promised to look into a proposed landing procedure that would have landings coming from the northwest.

V. Committee Member Comments

Steve Neff asked about acquiring funds for noise attenuation. Amy Hanson from the FAA responded that there is a process that must be followed. The Noise Exposure Maps must be updated, which the airport is in the process of doing. In reference to the 310 departure procedure, in addition to being communicated via the ADS, some pilot education will be necessary.

Mr. Neff asked if the airport could provide funds for noise monitoring equipment for use in Wheeling High School's STEM program and tracking airport noise. Ray Lang suggested that contact information for the STEM program be sent to Jamie. Amy Hanson commented that there might be a diversion of funds concern with providing money to the program.

Larry Rosenthal had no comments.

Ray Lang asked if the 310 departure procedure would affect Meadowbrook West. He is concerned that the procedure will shift noise to another neighborhood.

Amy Hanson commented that NEM's will be produced from a model based on aircraft that use Chicago Executive Airport. When concern for accuracy was raised, she stated that she has confidence in the model's accuracy.

VI. Public Comments

Mary Papantos commented on the 310 departure procedure not addressing landings. She also asked about a plan to have helicopters fly over the forest preserve. Rob Mark responded that he has met with the Department of Homeland Security and they have come up with a "no fly" zone. He will share this information with other operators.

Phil Mader thanked the committee for their efforts. He asked why the medical flights take place at night and why pilots do not use other runways. Jamie responded that 16/34 is the only the most desirable due to the length and it has the only instrument approach on the airfield. He also assured attendees that pilots are in contact with Chicago Approach when using the airport during the times when the tower is not manned. Mr. Mader would like to see Noise Committee meeting notifications better publicized in Wheeling and Prospect Heights and the hours of the 310 departure procedure test extended.

VII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Larry Rosenthal and seconded by Ray Lang to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Mayr
Executive Secretary