

FORT WAYNE-ALLEN COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority Board Meeting

Regular Session

January 20, 2026

3:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority Board of Directors was held on January 20, 2026 at the Fort Wayne International Airport, 3801 W. Ferguson Rd., Fort Wayne, Indiana 46809, pursuant to proper legal notice. A quorum being present, Mr. Barry Sturges, President, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

**AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD MEMBERS:**

Richard B. (Barry) Sturges, Jr., President, present
Kimberly M. Grannan, Vice-President - absent
Timothy J. Haffner, Secretary - present
Jerome F. Henry, Jr. - present
Réna Bradley, absent
Ramadan Abdul-Azeez, present

**AIRPORT AUTHORITY STAFF
& LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:**

Scott Hinderman, Chief Executive Officer
Joe Marana, Chief Operating Officer
Ryan Bauer, Airport Dev/Properties Manager
Mike Deam, Airport Authority Attorney
Ms. Jordan Huttenlocker
Doug Robertson, Dir. of Admin & Fin. (Interim)
Annie Hoffmeier, Admin Assistant I

**electronic meeting participation*

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Barry Sturges, President, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

**1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TODAY'S AGENDA AND CONSENT
AGENDAS**

Mr. Barry Sturgis asked Mr. Scott Hinderman if there were any changes to today's Agenda and Consent Agendas which Mr. Scott Hinderman replied that there were no adjustments to today's agenda or consent agendas. Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to approve the January 20, 2026 Board Agenda and the Consent Agendas as presented below. Mr. Jerry Henry seconded the motion. Mr. Barry Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Mr. Jerry Henry – Aye
Mr. Timothy Haffner – Aye
Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye
Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez - Aye

The motion carried.

A. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of Board Minutes – 12.18.2025
- Review & Approval of Claims #26-01
- Accounts Receivable Reports

**B. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT CONSENT AGENDA
 (WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SIGNATURE AUTHORITY)**

Addendum Number 16 – Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment , Exhibit A,
 Construction Manager as Constructor, Fort Wayne International Airport East Terminal
 Expansion with Clayco

This is an addendum to the Guaranteed Maximum Price amendment with Clayco, Inc. for
 the East Terminal Expansion. This addendum will incorporate the items listed below for
 an overall increase for \$280,075.53.

Staff recommends approval of this Addendum Number 16 in the amount of \$280,075.53
 with signature authorization by the Chief Executive Officer.

Description of Change

COR. #285	RFI-545 – Gate 5 Exterior Condensing Unit Bollard Requirement
COR. #287	RFI-527 – Level 1 Area E Column C7 Cover Conflict
COR. #214	RFI-449 – Unforeseen Column Footing C-118
COR. #275	RFCP-102 – Escalator Pit Access
COR. #229	CCD-014 & RFI-458 – Unforeseen Footing at FF-24, FF-27, & FF-29-R1
COR. #319	L1C – Damaged Exterior Soffit Fascia Metal Panel Replacement – R1
COR. #345	RFCP-114- Angled Bulkhead at Down Escalator
COR. #262	NOPC – Discovered Additional Concreter Piers and Footing (Part 4 of CE 59
COR. #265	RFI-492 – Level 1 Area G Storm Drain Conflict at BHS CD-1
COR. #234	RFI-469 – Demo Existing Brick at Central Plant
COR. #349	Lost Renal Counter Inserts (Credit)
COR. #337	RFI-600 – Level 2 Area F Roof Drain North of Mechanical Room
COR. #340	RFI-606 – Mothers Room 1-18A Baby Changing Table Location
COR. #260	CCD-003-(Part 4) – Unsuitable Soils Discovered Conditions – R1
COR. #295	RFI-530R1 – Level 1 Area Underpinned Footing Existing Conditions R3

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Staff recommended approval of this change order with signature authorization for the Executive Director of Airports.

Change Order 2 - Ardmore Development Project with Fleming Excavation, Inc., AF25-05

This change order reflects an increase of \$8,800.00 for the installation of a ground-mounted service point and for the restoration of previously removed electrical conduits. The conduit sections were removed during drain installation activities and included the portion crossing Ardmore to supply power to the airport signage. The scope of work included excavating the affected areas, repairing and reestablishing the conduit pathway, and restoring the site to its original condition. Work also included remediation of an abandoned private well found on site while under construction.

Staff recommends approval of this change order with signature authorization for the Chief Executive Officer.

2. ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The board historically conducts an annual election of officers for the three positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary of the Board during the first board meeting of the year. Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to approve the following slate of officers to serve in 2026:

Board President – Mr. Richard (Barry) Sturges

Board Vice President – Ms. Kimberly Grannan

Secretary – Mr. Timothy Haffner

Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to approve the election of said officers. Mr. Jerry Henry seconded the motion. Mr. Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Mr. Jerry Henry – Aye

Mr. Timothy Haffner – Aye

Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye

Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez - Aye

The motion carried.

3. ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2025

Mr. Scott Hinderman reported to board members on recent Airport Authority air service and marketing activities. His report to the board included the following:

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December enplanements not only surpassed the all-time record but did so by a substantial margin. December 2024 enplanements were 430,485 and last month the enplanements were 494,014 which was an increase of 14.75%.

That being said, American has been down the last two months. They went back to the 50 seat RJ's to Charlotte. American will be taking away one frequency to DFW in February and hopefully will bring it back the second week in April. In doing so they are giving us another flight to Chicago.

In the last week or so in the news, Allegiant announced that they are going to acquire Sun Country Airlines. Allegiant's monthly capacity will grow 20% with the addition of Sun Country and combined they will be 2.49% of the industry seats.

Sun Country does a fair amount of cargo flights along with a fair amount of charter flights for sports teams and other group charter activities.

Allegiant has 127 stations with 547 routes and Sun Country has 88 stations and 98 routes. There is only one route that overlaps and that is the Appleton-Fort Myers route. Of the 173 combined stations, 43 have service from both Sun Country and Allegiant Air.

Mr. Hinderman stated that he didn't know how long this merger will take to formally close the acquisition.

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 26-01: REAPPOINTMENT OF TREASURER

Mr. Hinderman reminded the board that this annual agenda item designates one individual to sign checks, issue stop payment orders and make electronic funds transfers on behalf of the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority. Mr. Hinderman further explained that Resolution 26-01 would reappoint FWACAA Controller Doug Robertson as Treasurer and along with staff controller job responsibilities would serve the board in the Treasurer capacity.

Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to approve Resolution 26-01: Reappointing Mr. Douglas Robertson as Treasurer. Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez seconded the motion. Mr. Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Mr. Jerry Henry – Aye

Mr. Tim Haffner – Aye

Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye

Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez - Aye

The motion carried.

5. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR STAFF TO ACCEPT ALL FAA AND STATE GRANTS FOR YEAR 2026 FOR FORT WAYNE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND SMITH FILED AAIRPORT WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SIGNATURE AUTHORITY

Mr. Hinderman requested approval from the Board to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to sign and accept any Federal and or State grants and any other grant funding that the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority may be awarded in the calendar year of 2026. Mr. Hinderman also noted that this approval will assist staff to expedite stringent grant acceptance timeframes frequently imposed by the FAA.

Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to sign and accept any grant funding that the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority may be awarded in 2026. Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez seconded the motion. Mr. Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Mr. Jerry Henry – Aye
Mr. Tim Haffner – Aye
Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye
Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez - Aye
The motion carried.

6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF 2025 ENCUMBERED APPROPRIATION (TO BE ADDED TO THE 2026 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS)

Mr. Doug Robertson, acting Interim Chief Financial Officer, reported to the board that the following encumbered amounts were committed by the Authority in 2025 with either an approved purchase order or contract:

CONSIDERATION & APPROVAL OF 2025 APPROPRIATIONS TO BE ADDED TO 2026 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS:

Staff is requesting Board approval to carry the following 2025 encumbered appropriations over to the 2026 budget.

Appropriation
Number Budget Classification Amount
4100 Personal Services \$ 1,777.00
4200 Supplies 144,831.32
4300 Other Services and Charges 1,055,821.45
4400 Capital Outlay 40,045,288.56
Total Encumbrances \$ 41,247,718.33

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4400	Capital Outlay	41,247,718.33
	Total Encumbrances	41,247,718.33

Mr. Robertson further explained that because goods and services had not been delivered or completed by the end of 2025, a payment could not be made, and accounts payable could not be recorded for these commitments. Mr. Robertson requested approval from the Board to add these amounts to the appropriated balances in the 2026 budget. Mr. Robertson explained that staff would then have the authority to pay for these commitments in 2026 once goods and services are delivered.

Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to approve the 2025 encumbered appropriations to be added to the 2026 budget. Mr. Ramadam Abdul-Azeez seconded the motion. Mr. Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Mr. Jerry Henry – Aye
 Mr. Tim Haffner – Aye
 Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye
 Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez - Aye
 The motion carried.

7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DECLARATION OF PERMANENT COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS FOR REAL ESTATE AT 8900 INDIANAPOLIS ROAD (ARDMORE/AIRPORT EXPRESSWAY)

Next, Ryan Bauer, Airport Development and Properties Manager told the Board that this is the airport’s Ardmore Development project that we have been engaged with the city on. Previously the board approved the surplus land document, and this is another document related to the development of the land and if and when we sell the land on how the future developer would be allowed to develop that area, similar to the concept with the James E. Kelly parcels. These covenants, conditions, and restrictions are to ensure the development will be compatible with the

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airport environment as well as additional architectural requirements to ensure high quality buildings on-site. The architectural review process remains as the main method for development compliance. Mr. Timothy Haffner made a motion to approve the declaration of permanent covenants, conditions, and restrictions for the real estate at 8900 Indianapolis Road (Ardmore/Airport Expresswy). Mr. Jerry Henry seconded it. Mr. Sturges called for a roll call vote.

Below is a tally of the votes:

Mr. Jerry Henry – Aye

Mr. Tim Haffner – Aye

Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye

Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez - Aye

The motion carried.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Hinderman announced that this Thursday, January 22nd from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, a thank-you event will be held at the Aero Center to celebrate the Aero Center's 10-year anniversary. January 1st marks 10 years that the Aero Center has been in operation and Justin and his staff will be recognized for their hard work through the years.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barry Sturges adjourned the January 20, 2026 Regular Session Board Meeting at 3:25 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session was held prior to the regular session board meeting on January 20, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. at the Fort Wayne International Airport, 3801 W. Ferguson Rd., Fort Wayne, Indiana 46809, pursuant to proper legal notice, to discuss Personnel (pursuant to IC 5 14 1.5 6.1(b)(5) or (b)(6) or (b)(9), Lease Negotiations (pursuant to IC 5 14 1.5 6.1(b)(2)(D), pending or threatened litigation which is pursuant to IC 5 14 1.5 1(b)(2)(B), and confidential records which is pursuant to IC 5 14 1.5 6.1 (b)(7).

Attendance:

Richard B. (Barry) Sturges, Jr., President; present

Timothy T. Haffner, Secretary; present

Jerome F. (Jerry) Henry, Jr.; present

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Ramadan Abdul-Azeez, present

Mr. Mike Deam; present

Ms. Jordan Huttenlocker

Mr. Scott Hinderman; present

Mr. Joe Marana; present

Mr. Ryan Bauer; present

Mr. Doug Robertson; present

Ms. Annie Hoffmeier; present

Mr. Justin Treft, present

**electronic participation*

By signing the minutes of the January 20, 2026 board meeting, it is hereby certified that nothing other than the topics, as noted above, were discussed during the Executive Session.

Signatures on file

Mr. Richard (Barry) Sturges
Board President

Mr. Timothy Haffner
Board Secretary