

FORT WAYNE-ALLEN COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY
Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority Board Meeting
Regular Session
March 16, 2026
3:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority Board of Directors was held on March 16, 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 3:04 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

**AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD MEMBERS:**

Richard B. (Barry) Sturges, Jr., President, present
Kimberly M. Grannan, Vice-President – present*
Timothy J. Haffner, Secretary – present
Jerome F. Henry, Jr. - absent
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
Jordan Huttenlocker, Airport Authority Attorney
Doug Robertson, Controller/CFO (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 3:04 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 March 16, 2026 Board Agenda and the Consent Agendas as presented below. Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez seconded the motion. Mr. Barry Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Ms. Kimberly Grannan - Aye
Mr. Timothy Haffner – Aye
Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez – Aye
Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye

The motion carried.

A. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of Board Minutes – 02.16.2026
- Review & Approval of Claims #26-03
- Accounts Receivable Reports

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

Construction Contingency Authorization 1 – Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment, Exhibit A, Construction Manager as Constructor, Fort Wayne International Airport Hangar 2003 Renovations Project with Hagerman

The Hangar 2003 Renovations Project has an Owners Controlled Contingency of \$300,000 beyond the Guaranteed Maximum Price amendment with Hagerman, Inc. The Construction Change Directive items below result in an overall total of \$90,184 towards the contingency fund.

CCD No.	Description
001	Civil Drawing Changes From ILP Review Regarding Fire Suppression Water Main
002	Exposed Duct Work Finishes
003	Restroom Floor Drain Replacement
004	Floor Drain Cleanouts Replacement
005	Sanitary Sewer Line Extension
006	Workshop Floor Drain Removal for Paint Booth
007	Interior Liner Panel Replacement
008	Underground Plumbing in Office Area Reroute to Replace Damaged
009	Exterior Signage, Landscaping, and Interior Finish Changes for Brand Standards Alignment
010	Room 115 Drywall to Deck Sound Insulation
011	N/A – Skipped for System Numbering Purposes
012	Floor Drain Cleanouts Replacement – Room 119
013	Mold Remediation Work in Office Area

2. ACTIVITY REPORT – FEBRUARY 2026

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

February enplanements continued to increase with a 2.38% over February of 2025. February 2025 enplanements were 37,303 and this month's the enplanements were 38,192 which was an increase of again 2.38%. For a year-to-date the increase was 2.42%.

Our total capacity for February was down 1.9% and seats were down 2.3%. This is largely due to last year American had two of their three flights to Charlotte on CRJ 900's and this month all flights are now on Embardier 145.

American had three flights to DFW last year on CRJ 700 or 900's and last month they pulled the market to two flights daily. So, we are running on less capacity but yet our enplanements are going up. Early April we will be getting our third flight back to Dallas.

In August, American and United will increase more flights to Chicago O'Hare.

We are still growing in a declining capacity, and our capacity will recover here in the next quarter and then we anticipate having a growth.

Our parking lot is undergoing a 550-space expansion and last month 300 spaces were made available and now out of those 300 spaces we have 150 spaces available. Once the warmer weather arrives and stays, that new parking lot area will be finished.

Gateway Lounge by Star Bank turns one year old on May 15th and along with celebrating that milestone we plan to promote out valet parking to help with our parking crunch. We feel that our valet parking is one of our best kept secrets and it's time to get the word out more that we do offer this convenient service to our passengers.

3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF FUEL TANK PURCHASE

This last fall we signed a lease agreement with Bombardier and in that agreement, they had a right to use one of our fuel tanks, In order to do so, they had to provide a 180-day notice to use our existing tank system. Earlier this year they executed their right to utilize our tank. Our staff quickly hired a fuel tank consultant to design with specific specs a 12,000 gallon above ground fuel tank on a skid. It will be adjacent to the ramp by the FBO. It will be full service and have the option to have self-service so if a pilot wants to pump his own 100LL he'll have the ability to do so.

The lead time on a tank of this size is significant. We have to have the tank done, completed and ready to operate on August 1st. We solicited seven tank manufacturers for quotes and received four quotes back and awarded it to the lowest most responsible quoter to meet our specific time line. With the tank scheduled to be delivered by August 1st this will ensure the tank for Bombardier will be functional and ready to operate by the September 1st

Mr. Hinderman then asked the board to ratify the purchase of the fuel tank.

Mr. Haffner made a motion to approve the ratification, and Mr. Abdul-Azeez seconded the motion. Mr. Barry Sturges called for a roll call vote. Below is a tally of the votes:

Ms. Kimberly Grannan - Aye

Mr. Timothy Haffner – Aye

Mr. Ramadan Abdul-Azeez – Aye
Mr. Barry Sturges – Aye

The motion carried.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Sturges asked Mr. Hinderman if there were any other business and Mr. Hinderman said he did have one item that doesn't require any action. Mr. Hinderman then introduced Brad McDaniel, District Director for Congressman Stutzman's office. FWA received the Congressional Directed Spending in the value of two million dollars for the west ramp project along with AIP and CDS funds to help complete the project. These funds from Congressman Stutzman's office were extremely helpful and we truly appreciate Mr. McDaniel coming here to introduce himself to the board and directors.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barry Sturges adjourned the March 16, 2026 Regular Session Board Meeting at 3:16 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session was held on **Monday, March 16, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. - prior to the regular session** in the Board Room (Ste. 210), to discuss Personnel (pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5) or (b)(6) or (b)(9) or 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), to have communications with an attorney that are subject to the attorney client privilege (pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.19(b)(19) pursuant to or confidential records which is pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1-(b)(7).

Attendance:

Richard B. (Barry) Sturges, Jr., President; present
Ms. Kimberly Grannan, Vice-President; present
Timothy T. Haffner, Secretary; present
Jerome F. (Jerry) Henry, Jr.; absent
Ms. Réna Bradley, absent
Ramadan Abdul-Azeez, present
Mr. Scott Hinderman; present
Mr. Joe Marana; present
Mr. Ryan Bauer; present
Mr. Doug Robertson; present
Ms. Annie Hoffmeier; present

**electronic participation*

By signing the minutes of the March 16, 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

Ms. Kimberly Grannan
Board Vice-President