SANTA YNEZ VALLEY AIRPORT AUTHORITY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2022– Zoom Meeting

Directors Present: McGowan, Kaslow, de Werd, Krauch, Kendall, Porter, Carrier, Cleland

Directors Absent: Thomas

Assistant Manager: Dave Romero present

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of April 7, 2022 meeting approved unanimously on motion by Director McGowan and second by Director de Werd

Tribute to Jim Kunkle: Charlie Plumb spoke about the legacy of the Kunkle family and their service to the airport, community, and our country.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Krauch reported Accounts Receivable over 90 days was down substantially. Net income of $26,000. 100LL sales were strong at 4,307 gal and Jet A at 5,736 gal.

President's report: President de Werd reported rental T-hangars had been inspected and five hangars were noted to be out of conformance with our license agreement. Tenants will be notified in writing and must either correct or vacate.

Assistant Manager's Report: Fuel prices going down slightly. Margin on 100 ll is at $.71. Still only three employees for line service. More interviewing to follow. Mid-field project on schedule. New lift for disabled aircraft is operational. .

Public comments (limited to items not on the agenda): Shawn Knight requested permission to use temporary Astro turf at east end for launching paramotors to protect from gravel. He will relocate if it interferes in any way with other operations. Mike Burchardi noted that Rancheros Vistadores are in town so there will be an increase of visitor pilots at the airport.
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Agenda Items: Action may be taken on any agenda item

Old Business

1. Safety Issues – None reported
2. Airport Days Budget and Planning – Director Krauch reported on progress in organizing event. Event occurring on 5/21 and arrangements ongoing. Director Kaslow will be in charge of Rotary barbecue. Shy Bourgeois offered her kids pedal cars for the event if there is room with the restricted apron area.
3. Residential Office Trailer Options – No update.
4. Authority Contribution to Pilot Training Scholarship – Director Krauch reported that the full $11,500 Board match goal had been met with approximately $23,000 available and a few remaining contributions are expected. Bob Perry suggested that approximately $5,000 could be used for two introductory scholarships and the remaining $18,000 could be used for a single scholarship as planned. To be reviewed at a special board meeting on 5/19.

New Business

1. Determination of status of In-Person Board Meetings – President de Werd noted the State requirement for a resolution each month to continue meeting via Zoom. Board was polled and agreed to begin in person meetings next month with a Zoom option. Motion to do so made by President de Werd and seconded by Director Cleland. Passed unanimously.
2. Assignment of Lease for Hangar D-3 – Tabled until May 19 special meeting pending confirmation that there are no outstanding debts owed at the airport.
3. Proposal for Airport Sign – Director McGowan, noting that we have no sign, proposed construction of a sign along the airport entrance road in the area currently being graded and landscaped. He presented a concept design and noted that the site grading, foundation, and electrical conduit could be constructed

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under the current AIP project. He also noted that the Authority currently had a $32,000 unallocated fund that could be used to construct the sign. Project was unanimously approved to proceed on a motion by Director Krauch and second by Director James. Final design along with costs will be approved by Board prior to construction.

4. Proposal for Membership Advisory vote on Proclamation to Amend Airport Name – Director McGowan asked the Board to allow an advisory vote of the Authority Membership. Vote will be a yes or no acceptance of the proclamation amending the airport name to "Santa Ynez Valley Airport – Kunkle Field". The Board will then use that vote response in consideration of adopting the Proclamation (attached) at the special board meeting on May 19. Discussion ensued with several comments either in support or opposition to renaming the airport. It was noted that many people have played important and significant roles in the development of the airport. It was also noted by several people including Director Porter that the Kunkle family represented not only our airport but also our community and our country. Motion to proceed with the advisory vote was made by Director Krauch and seconded by Director Cleland. Passed unanimously.
5. Approval of Final Revision to Hangar Land Leases – Director McGowan requested final approval of the Hangar Land Lease with one modification to be made. On assignment of the land lease after a hangar sale, the assignor should not have continuing liability for the lease. He made a motion for acceptance with the one change. The motion was seconded by Director Kaslow. After discussion centering around the process that lead to the final version, the motion passed unanimously.
6. Approval of Rental Hangar License Agreement – President de Werd presented the final version and made a motion for approval. On a second by Director Krauch, the motion passed unanimously.
7. Schedule Special Board Meeting for May 19 – Three agenda items were noted including the transfer of hangar D-3, acceptance of committee recommendations for scholarship recipients, and a vote to accept or reject Proclamation amending the name of the airport to "Santa Ynez Valley Airport – Kunkle Field." Motion to hold the special 5/19 meeting was made by Director Cleland and seconded by Director Carrier. Motion carried unanimously.

Advisory Committee Reports

Membership/Nominating Standing Committee **–** no meeting.

Standing Committee Reports

None given.

Adjournment: President de Werd adjourned the meeting at 9:20 on a motion by Director Kaslow and second by Director Kendall.

Respectfully Submitted by Bruce McGowan, Secretary

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Kunkle Field
Proclamation

Whereas the Board of Directors of the Santa Ynez Valley Airport Authority is responsible for overseeing and exercising all power, privileges and duties vested in the Airport Board; and

Whereas the Kunkle family has been an integral part of the operation, growth, safety, and expansion of the airport, as well as service to the community for many years; and

Whereas James K. Kunkle is a highly decorated World War II pilot who saw service in the European Theater where he shot down two German Luftwaffe Aircraft before being shot down in his P-38 aircraft over Aachen, Germany in September,1944 suffering severe burns to his face and hands, a broken back, and missing front teeth resulting in 16 weeks in the hospital; and

Whereas he continued his service to the nation in the post war Air Force including testing and flying the newest jet aircraft, and remained in the Air Force until 1948; and

Whereas James K. Kunkle is a highly decorated veteran earning the Distinguished Service Cross, France's Legion of Honour, Belgium's Croix de Guerre, Air Medal with ten clusters and the Purple Heart; and

Whereas his son James W. Kunkle began his aviation career at the age of eight, working with his father, James K. Kunkle around airplanes and airports his entire life; and

Whereas James W. Kunkle worked on his dad's airport construction projects throughout California, relocating in 1976 to the Santa Ynez Valley where he became a tenant of the Santa Ynez Valley Airport, and was responsible for numerous hangar construction projects on site over the years; and

Whereas James W. Kunkle was elected to the Santa Ynez Airport Board of Directors and served as its President and Airport Manager for over 18 years serving on numerous ad hoc committees, helping oversee the retirement of the original airport debt, and creating, sustaining, and supporting the special character and culture of Santa Ynez Valley Airport; and

Whereas James W. Kunkle was a long-time pilot with multiple private and commercial ratings in fixed wing, float planes, and helicopters who often undertook numerous missions to assist downed or missing flyers; and

Whereas James W. Kunkle was a tireless advocate and supporter of all things related to the airport including updates of its facilities and outreach to the community on behalf of the airport while being totally focused on the betterment of the Santa Ynez Valley Airport; and

Whereas father and son together with grandson Chris Kunkle, also a pilot, maintain and promote the legacy of open, friendly, and inclusive spirit, have fostered a very special family feeling at the Santa Ynez Airport.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Board of Directors of the Santa Ynez Valley Airport Authority take this opportunity to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to James K. Kunkle, James W. Kunkle, and Chris Kunkle for their combined years of dedication and valued service to the airport by renaming this facility the Santa Ynez Valley Airport – Kunkle Field.

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