

Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2026

10:00 a.m.

**Orwen Aviation Commission Chambers
2nd Floor - Terminal Building**

Commission Members: Commissioner Ronic West; Commissioner Michael Cioffi;
Commissioner William Fennoy; Commissioner Marshall McKnight;
Commissioner Wilbert Barrett; Commissioner James Germany;
Commissioner Randy Sasser; Commissioner Kay Roland;
Commissioner Davis Beman; Commissioner Dan Troutman;
Commissioner Larry Harris

Absent: Commissioner Marshall McKnight

Staff: Mr. Herbet Judon; Ms. Lauren Smith; Mr. Ken Hinkle;
Mr. Robert Kerr – Staff Attorney; Ms. Elizabeth Giles;
Ms. Risa Bingham; Ms. Diane Johnston; Chief Michael Beal;
Mr. Bruce Keller; Ms. Catherine Highsmith; Mr. Tyler Good;
Ms. Jennifer Humphrey; Mr. DeAndre Davis; Mr. Cody Mitchel;
Mr. Korey Anderson

Others: Mr. Edwin Scott – Mead & Hunt; Mark Godzina – Mead & Hunt;
Lt. Larry Bracken – AGS Marshal Department;
Ms. Dana Lynn McIntyre – Augusta Business Daily
Mr. Robert Moore – Foth; Mr. John Queen – Foth
Mr. Skylar – Augusta Press; Mr. Lonnie Wimberly
Mrs. Nancy Williams; Mr. Derrick Bingham;
Mr. Johnny Gregory – 100 Black Men of Augusta;
Mr. Alex – Bennish Engineering
Mr. Bryson Holley; Ms. Mia Wilson; Ms. Krisha Patel;
Mr. Ritchie Rowland; Ms. Diondra Neely; Ms. Leila Carter;
Mr. Ja’Von Johnson; Mr. Thomas Lowry;

Mrs. Keisha Quick – Richmond County School System ;
Mrs. Angela Sneed – Richmond County School System;
Mrs. Sophia Cogle – Richmond County School System

CALL TO ORDER & PRAYER – Chairwoman Ronic West called the meeting to order at 10:27am,
Prayer offered by Commissioner Wilbert Barrett

Motion by Commissioner West to amend agenda I.E.1. Director Action Requests – IV. A-J to A-K

Motion by Commissioner Germany to pull Consent Items I.E.1. Director Action Requests – IV. A-K

Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Barrett to add IV. Director Action Requests Item M. Masters 2026 Van Rentals and Item N. Vehicle Purchase for the Richmond County Marshal's Office – Airport Division, to the agenda.

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

I. AGENDA, MINUTES, STATISTICS, & CONSENT – Chairwoman Ronic West

- A. January 29, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Agenda
- B. November 13, 2025, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Minutes
- C. December 17, 2025, Augusta Aviation Commission Special Called Meeting Minutes
- D. December 2025 Statistics

Motion by Commissioner Beman 2nd by Commissioner Roland to approve January 29, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Agenda, November 13, 2025, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Minutes, December 17, 2025, Augusta Aviation Commission Special Called Meeting Minutes, December 2025 Statistics

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

E. Consent Items

- 1. Director Action Requests – IV. A-J (Approved in Aviation Marketing Committee, Aviation Construction Committee Meeting, Aviation Masters® Committee Meeting)

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Marketing Committee Report – Commissioner Michael Cioffi
 - B. Construction Committee Report – Commissioner Dan Troutman
 - C. Masters® Committee Report – Commissioner Dan Troutman
- Committee Reports received as information.*

III. FINANCIALS - Risa Bingham

A. December / Year End Financials

Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Harris to accept December / Year End Financial Report.

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

IV. DIRECTOR ACTION REQUESTS

- A. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – The Greater Augusta Arts Council / *The Augusta Music & Songwriter Festival* – Lauren Smith
Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Sasser to approve sponsoring The Greater Augusta Arts Council / The Augusta Music & Songwriter Festival in the amount of \$1,000.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- B. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – American Heart Association / *CSRA Heart Walk* – Lauren Smith
Motion by Commissioner Harris 2nd by Commissioner Roland to approve sponsoring American Heart Association / CSRA Heart Walk in the amount of \$1,500.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- C. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Hearts of Serenity / *Community Support Services Resource Fair* – Lauren Smith
Motion by Commissioner Barrett 2nd by Commissioner Beman to approve sponsoring Hearts of Serenity / Community Support Services Resource Fair in the amount of \$1,000.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- D. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – PCNAA – Augusta Alumni Chapter / *Augusta Legacy Banquet* – Lauren Smith
Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Harris to approve sponsoring PCNAA – Augusta Alumni Chapter / Augusta Legacy Banquet in the amount of \$1,000.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- E. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) - Inside to Outdoor Xtreme Kids, Inc. / *ITO Xtreme Kid's Fishing Event* – Lauren Smith
Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Roland to approve sponsoring Inside to Outdoor Xtreme Kids, Inc. / ITO Xtreme Kid's Fishing Event in the amount of \$1,000.
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- F. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – CAT II Upgrades to Mark 1F Instrument Landing System (ILS) for Runway 35 – Elizabeth Giles
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve CAT II Upgrades to Mark 1F Instrument Landing System (ILS) for Runway 35.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- G. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – 2026 Miscellaneous On-Call Services – Elizabeth Giles
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve 2026 Miscellaneous On-Call Services.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- H. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Fuel Farm Improvements – Amendment #1 to Work Authorization #41 for CA/CO Services – Elizabeth Giles
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Harris to approve Fuel Farm Improvements – Amendment #1 to Work Authorization #41 for CA/CO Services.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- I. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Recommendation of Award (ROA) & Construction Contract to Reeves Construction for Long-Term Parking Lot “A” Phase I – Elizabeth Giles
Motion by Commissioner Barrett 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve Recommendation of Award (ROA) & Construction Contract to Reeves Construction for Long-Term Parking Lot “A” Phase I.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- J. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – John Wayne Air Calvary Inc. Professional Service Agreement – Kenneth Hinkle
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve John Wayne Air Calvary Inc. Professional Service Agreement.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

- K. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Autonoma, Inc. AutoVerse Simulation Program – Kenneth Hinkle
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve Autonoma, Inc. AutoVerse Simulation Program.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- L. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Richmond County Marshal's Office – Lauren Smith
Motion by Commissioner Dr. Larke 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Richmond County Marshal's Office.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- M. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Masters® 2026 Van Rentals
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve Masters® 2026 Van Rentals
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- N. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Vehicle Purchase for the Richmond County Marshal's Office – Airport Division
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Roland to approve the Vehicle Purchase for the Richmond County Marshal's Office – Airport Division
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Innovation Exchange – Diane Johnston
- B. Air Edu / Intern Introductions – Cody Mitchell
2026 Air Edu Interns introduced themselves and shared goals within the program. Interns: Bryson Holley, Mia Wilson, Krisha Patel, Ritchie Rowland, Diondra Neely, Leila Carter, Ja'Von Jonson, Thomas Lowry

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Augusta Aviation Commission did not enter Executive Session.

VII. COMMISSION COMMENTS / ACTION REQUESTS

- A. Recommendation from Nomination Committee for 2026 Aviation Chair & Vice-Chair Roles – Commissioner Randy Sasser
Motion by Commissioner Harris 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve the Recommendation from the Nomination Committee for Commissioner Ronic West as the 2026 Augusta Aviation Commission Chairwoman and Commissioner Michael Cioffi as the 2026 Augusta Aviation Commission Vice-Chair.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- B. Discuss Aviation Committees – Commissioner Ronic West
Commissioner Fennoy requested Point of Personal Privilege to introduce District Commissioner Lonnie Wimberly.

Commissioner Germany stated question for Airport Attorney, Mr. Robert Kerr: Can the chair & vice-chair serve as committee chair. Mr. Kerr's response: According to the Bylaws, this is acceptable.

Commissioner Fennoy requested Commissioner Sasser be added to the Augusta Aviation Masters / Air Show Committee.

Motion by Commissioner Barrett 2nd by Commissioner Germany to remove "Special Projects Committee" from the list of Augusta Aviation Committees.
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

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C. Recommendation from Nomination Committee for 2026 Aviation Committee Roles – Commissioner Michael Cioffi

Motion by Commissioner Beman 2nd by Commissioner Dr. Larke to approve the formation of all 2026 Augusta Aviation Committees and Committee Members:

Standing Committees

Air Service Committee: Randy Sasser (Chair), Ronic West (Vice-Chair), Davis Beman, Dr. Charles Larke, Dan Troutman

Finance Committee: Davis Beman (Chair), James Germany (Vice-Chair), Marshall McKnight, Randy Sasser, Dan Troutman, Michael Cioffi

Marketing Committee: Michael Cioffi (Chair), Larry Harris (Vice-Chair), Dr. Charles Larke, Wilbert Barrett, Randy Sasser, William Fennoy

Personnel Committee: Kay Roland (Chair), James Germany (Vice-Chair), Dr. Charles Larke, Ronic West, Wilbert Barrett, Randy Sasser

Special Committees

Business Development Committee: Davis Beman (Chair), Ronic West (Vice-Chair), Randy Sasser, Michael Cioffi, Marshall McKnight, Larry Harris, James Germany

Construction Committee: Dan Troutman (Chair), Larry Harris (Vice-Chair), William Fennoy, Dr. Charles Larke, Michael Cioffi, Marshall McKnight

Masters / Air Show Committee: Dan Troutman (Chair), Michael Cioffi (Vice-Chair), Davis Beman, Wilbert Barrett, Kay Roland, Randy Sasser

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

D. Budget Information – Commissioner Ronic West

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Commissioners discussed the possibility of amending the Augusta Aviation Commission Bylaws by specifying a more detailed policy for the nomination and assignment for the Chair and Vice-Chair prior to the beginning of business in a new year. Jennifer Humphrey volunteered to email current Augusta Aviation Commission Bylaws to all Commissioners.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Cioffi 2nd by Commissioner Roland

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

Meeting adjourned at 11:54am

Ronic West, Chairwoman
Augusta Aviation Commission

Date