

AGENDA

Maine Aeronautical Advisory Board Meeting Auburn – Lewiston Municipal Airport 80 Airport Drive, Auburn, Maine 04210

**December 6, 2017
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Board Members Present:

Marty McMahon, Brunswick Executive Airport, Board Chairman
Rick Lanman, Auburn – Lewiston Municipal Airport
Allison Rogers, Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport
Randy Marshall, Waterville – Robert LaFleur Airport
Brad Madeira, BHB
Lisa Reece, Maine Aeronautics Association
Scott Wardwell, Northern Maine Regional Airport
Evan McDougal, Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc.
Duke Tomlin, Experimental Aircraft Association

Other Attendees:

Mary Ann Hayes, MaineDOT
Stacie Haskell, MaineDOT
Ashley Edwards, MaineDOT
Tim LeSiege, MaineDOT
Jason Homiak, Jacobs
Brady Brewster, Jacobs
Richard Yarnold, Ballantine Aviation
Rick Tetrev, Wiscasset
Barry Valentine, MABA
Sean Collins, AOPA
Paul Richards, MABA
Josh Dickson, Life Flight
Kenn Ortmann, Visitor

- 1:01** **Call to Order** – Marty McMahon
- 1:05** **Review and Accept Revised March 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes**
- Rick Lanman & Allison Rogers
- 1:10** **Welcome and Introductions**

1:15 Nominate Chair – Stacie Haskell

Chair: Scott Wardwell (Nominated by Allison Rogers)

Evan
Marty

Vice Chair: Allison Rogers (Nominated by Randy Marshall)

Evan
Marty

1:20 State System Plan – Stacie Haskell

Scott: What is eligible and not eligible economically wise?

Evan: State System Plan can have an economic impact statement included. Two Phases?

Also, recommend to get away from the Maine Airport Level system and keep it in line with Federal ASSET level system.

Allison: Statewide vantage point- Drill down inventory of all Airports. Get an idea of strengths that already exist. Fill in some of the blanks that airports may be missing.

Evan: Need a background / purpose story behind each Airport. How many jobs is it creating, more information to help put forth toward the legislature. Who's using the airport? The more information the better. Two or three stories for each airport to focus on what's helping.

Tim: Need to reach out to see who IS using each airport. What kind of companies are involved. Who are the high impact users?

Evan: The money spent may be better spent on a different project. Some airports may not think this it is a benefit for them.

Sales tax exemption is important to look at to keep as everybody has benefitted from this.

The full report may not be done for three or four legislature sessions – This is a good reason why getting this done sooner rather than later.

1:30 Statewide Obstruction Study and Pavement Management – Tim LeSiege

We have been requested by FAA to do a state Airport Pavement Management System. No longer accept PCI data. Does not match the FAA process (ASTM).

ASTM is ~~would be~~ a lot more intense than what we do. Pavement management we are doing is Phase One. More than 60% of airports have at least ONE obstruction on at least ONE runway. Not acceptable from FAA. Thinking of a Drone flight over every airport. Including all runways, taxiways, taxilanes, and aprons. Pretty much all of Airport pavement. Could lead into the Systems Plan. Will be able to get

all obstruction problems, and all pavement information that FAA is requesting. FAA is trying to rate each state. Sent in project readiness form last week. Still need to sit down and speak with Michelle about information. Will need to get all surrounding land owners information so they know a drone is flying. Start time of next spring. All data will be useable in Systems plan.

1:40 **Airports and Drones: the Good, the Bad, and the Inevitably Ugly** – Evan McDougal (Please see attached slide show in e-mail)

2:00 **Update for Maine Invites You Advertising Co-Op** – Allison Rogers
Advertising co-op in magazine. 350 thousand copies. Six page spread. Very happy with final product. Commercial service page, advertorial information. Airport Restaurant. Everything will be click-able. Everyone who participated will receive 50 copies. Will have directions for Google so you can see how many visits come from the actual website. Target audience tourism related. \$37,000 Total Cost. See <https://www.mainetourism.com/>.

2:15 **Aviation Day Update** – Sean Collins
April Last year, date this year will be Wednesday, February 7, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. set-up at 9:00 a.m. First event was a great turn out – all are invited, the more airports the better!
For more information: sean.collins@aopa.org

Lisa Reese: Contact your town reps and county reps beforehand about this day. This is HUGE, so important!!

Mary Ann: Schooling is a BIG miss here in the state of Maine. What can we do or what should we do to help in this stand point? Maine needs to expand on A&P program in Aviation. Maine is one out of four states that don't have a program.

2:30 **Creating Revenue Generation at Airports** – Mary Ann Hayes
Mary Ann: Performance Measures and where we do Invest.

Tim: 20 Airports have G.A.R.D. system. System is being upgraded. ADSB tracking.
G.A.R.D. system will now become a little bit more automated. Along with the ADSB tracked with your N Number. Complete Upgrade.

Mary Ann: Needs your help for her to help you!

Rick: Has had an opportunity to read up on or has actual information on Benchmarking at airports. Will send information to Mary Ann.

Mary Ann: We have choice that need to be made, or eventually will need to be made.

Scott: Are we pulling down as much FAA money as we possibly can?

We do the best we can to get as much possible moneys into the state. Limited by FAA for a planning level.
Politicians are NOT engaged enough. Coming from Mary from FAA.

2:50 Other Business

Benchmarking items to be added to next agenda.
Check on expiration dates for MAAB Board members.

Lisa Reece / The Katahdin Wings Chapter of the 99's:

June 2018- Air race classic. All women's Air Race in Fryeburg, Maine.

- This is an all women event with over 100 women racers coming to Fryeburg. Concentrating on educating girls about aviation – they can be pilots, mechanics, etc.
- **We are looking for sponsors - \$500 gets you a banner at the airport.**
- Also looking for volunteers that weekend.

For more information contact Lisa Reece at lisa@woodex-meco.com

Josh Dickson / LifeFlight:

Winter time, please update Runway NOTAMS and Runway information.

Any problems or anything please contact Josh Dickson:

jdickson@lifeflightmaine.org

If NOTAMS do not cooperate CALL!

Area Forecasts going away, if you do not have an AWOS, Part 135 operators won't be able to land in your airport.

MABA – working with board members to get more information on what they can do to help. Will have more info in coming meetings.

3:07 Adjourn