



**AIRPORT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 19, 2026**

A meeting of the **AIRPORT BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was held at 7:30 a.m., Sioux Gateway Airport, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 2403 Aviation Boulevard, Sioux City, IA 51111.

Board Present: Skip Perley, Scott Plambeck, Dave Kaplan, Paul Baker, Linda Kalin, Electronic Sarah Murray,

Board Absent: Faith Bradham

Staff Present: Michael Collett, Al Lorenzo, Tom Hermann, Melissa Uhl

Others: Brian Crichton, Rochdi Touri, Darren Christopher, Barbara Sloniker, Courtney Schweigert

1. CALL OF THE ROLL

Meeting was called to order by Board President Perley at 7:30am.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Kaplan moved that the minutes of February 19, 2026 be approved. Seconded by Plambeck. Baker and Murray abstained. Motion approved by Perley, Plambeck, Kaplan, and Kalin.

3. DISCUSSION

185th ARW: The NEXUS Project has been submitted in the Community Funding Program by U.S. Rep. Feenstra. The Codel is continuing efforts to move project forward. Believe more will come sometime in April if the \$220M will be in the presidential budget. If not, the Guard Bureau may fund in \$55M increments and will need to plan accordingly with phasing. Other representatives from boarding states are also requesting the increase in program money.

4. APPOINTMENT AND BUSINESS

A Motion to Approve a Recommendation to the City Council to approve Work Order No. 2023-19 with RS&H Iowa, P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$93,262 for construction administration and resident project representative services in connection with the South Apron Reconstruction Phase 2 Project at the Sioux Gateway Airport/Brigadier General Bud Day Field (City Project No. 7546-749-156 / IDOT No. 9I260SUX100) was made by Kalin and seconded by Kaplan. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion to Approve a Recommendation to the City Council to accept the work and authorize final payment in connection to the Sioux Gateway Airport Terminal Roof Replacement (Phase 3) Project at the Sioux Gateway Airport / Brigadier General Bud Day Field was made by Murray and seconded by Baker. Motion approved unanimously.

5. ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION

Construction Projects Update: South Apron will get started soon. Perimeter Fence and Taxiway C Rehab bids will be coming in. Master Plan documents have been submitted to the FAA and will be able to present on that in April.

SkyWest Airlines: The 6:00am flight loads are pretty full however in afternoon flight loads are not as full. Schedule will change in April and in May flipping the Star morning flight from Denver and on May 21st will move to Chicago. No reports locally with TSA staff going to other airports to fill the void.

Hawthorne/Oracle/Ascension/Morningside/WITCC: Recently hosted the Morningside University Aviation Career Day Event. Had many including pilots, Air Force etc attend. Plan to host again next year. The Army Guard recently returned home, and they hosted a return home ceremony and coordinated efforts with the 185th for use due to aircraft weights. Working on fuel farm maintenance items.

Financial Report - Pretty much flat to where we were last February. Even with less farm revenue due to first years of a new agreement, we made up in other areas.

Marketing - Operations were up with the month still down 15% YTD. February enplanements were up. Moved up in the FAA Tower stats. We haven't moved in these rankings in over a year. SUX moved up from 264 to 255 for usage. Load factors have 62% to DEN and 72% to ORD.

6. BOARD CONCERNS

Board expressed appreciation for TSA working through these times. Thanked Ascension for monthly fuel numbers. Foundation Survey should come out before the next meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting date, April 16, 2026. There being no other business, 8:14 a.m. meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:  
Linda Kalin, Secretary