

The Brookings Airport Board was called to order by President Brady Klocker on Thursday, March 19, 2026 at 3:00 PM in Conference Room #241, Second Floor. Members present were Lynn Riedesel, Isaac Wilde, Dan Krogstad and Klocker. Absent was Brian VanLiere. Also present were Airport Manager Lucas Dahl, Airport Maintenance Technician Brett Torgrude, City Engineer Charlie Richter, Public Works Director John Thompson, Civil Air Patrol – Jacob Roth, Tyler Gross, Tyson Springman, SDSU- Devin Bastemeyer, FBO-Joey Johnson and Harry Thompson.

Item #1 - Roll Call

Item #2 – (Riedesel/Krogstad) Motion to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #3a – (Wilde/Krogstad) Motion to approve the January 15, 2026 minutes. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #4 – Open Forum – None.

Item #5 – Presentation from Civil Air Patrol –

Item #6 – Revenue and Transfer In Discussion – Thompson explained how the transfer in from the Landfill is going to reduce starting this year. A report was presented to those in attendance to show the reduction. Klocker feels that the airport runs rather lean already, how can the airport run any cheaper? There isn't a lot of fat to cut on the expense side. Wilde wonders if there is any way we can collect funds from other communities. Thompson explained that would be hard to show those communities that they are benefitting from our airport.

Thompson stated that we need to find ways to generate revenue. The airport is an enterprise fund because not everyone in the city benefits from it. Like Park & Rec, that is a city fund because everyone in the city benefits from parks. How can we get the community engaged in the airport? A park area could be an idea. People could bring lunch and sit and watch or there could possibly be a food truck in the park/sitting area. This wouldn't generate funds but people would be interested. Wilde wondered if we could allow others to use our terminal and bring people in. Richter believes Civil Air Patrol would be willing to work with us.

We need to try to create additional events, possibly with the Fly-in. (a bonanza, hot air balloons, other aircraft)

Item #7 - Airport Manager's Report –

- Monthly Operations

- Winter Operations – There were a couple of snow events. Nothing major.
- Airport Conference – April 8th and 9th being a one day event this year. Please let Lucas know if you plan to stay Tuesday and Wednesday night.
- SRE Building Project Update - CIP Meeting with Helms, FAA, SDDOT was held this week. Planning to design and build a SRE building this year. And then we need to look at replacing the terminal apron.
- Rent and Fee Study Update and Timeline - AMCG was here and spent some time talking with staff and user (FBO, SDSU, Wilde). They collected data to complete the rent and fee study.
- Public Outreach
- The hose reel at the fuel tanks and the lights have been fixed. Midwest Petroleum needs to come and look at the alarms and Richter would like them to also look at the tanks to see if they need repairs or maintenance.
- Dahl reported that someone has been driving off of the asphalt/concrete causing a mess of the mud near the hangars. Dahl sent an email to all users regarding this. The guilty party has been talked to.

Item #8 - FBO Report – Johnson stated that fuel prices are increasing. Jet up 58% and AvGas is up 27%. FBO has not passed these increases on yet.

Item #9 - SDSU Report – Bastemeyer reported that with Spring Break the flying is slow right now but will pick up this Spring.

Item #10 - Other Items & Reports – None.

Item #11 - Next Scheduled Meeting – April 16, 2026

Item #12 – Adjourn

Lana Schwartz, Secretary

Brady Klocker, President