

**ROSECRANS MEMORIAL AIRPORT, AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2025– 3:30 PM
NEW AIRPORT TERMINAL CONFERENCE ROOM**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>End of Term</u>
ROLL CALL:	Mo Air National Guard	Pleasure of the Guard
	James Crenshaw	August 29, 2026
	Bruce Crum	March 4, 2029
	Michael Korte, Vice-Chair	June 01, 2026
	Chad Welch, Chair	April 10, 2027
	Derek Vreeland	April 20, 2028
ABSENTEES:	Marcus Tyrrell	February 5, 2024
	Kevin Haywood	August 21, 2028
CITY STAFF:	Julius Rice, Airport General Manager	
	Chris Cordonnier, Airport Operations Manager	
	Roxanne Patton, Airport Recording Administrator	

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CITY CLERK

CITY OFFICIALS: Councilmember Trout

CALL TO ORDER

The Aviation Board called to order 3:30pm.

WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS / OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

ITEM #1 – Approval of minutes

Motion made and seconded to accept the October 2, 2024 minutes. Minutes approved as transcribed in the office of the Airport General Manager by the Administrative Assistant.

ITEM #2 – Airport Business

Runway 17/35 Project: Runway is open; however, the contract is not closed due to a final punch list. Signage and debris remain to be completed.

Aviation Complex Project

Phase I: Technology Services are currently getting the network set up in the new terminal Building. Office move-in approximately 2 weeks. The contractor is waiting on handrails for the building before the Diner can move into the building.

City Council approved a new Diner lease agreement with the current lessee. The diner will be open 6 days per week.

Air Traffic Control Tower (ATC): Completion of new Tower is scheduled for 2026. Work consisting of wiring and interior work currently. A Notice to Airman (NOTAM) will be a constant for the 180’ crane for constructing the top of the tower.

Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) Building – Waiting on funding and final equipment costs.

Fuel Farm: The Guard has a requirement that fuel storage facilities be moved off the northern property because of environmental issues. The new location will be south near the pump house. A two million (\$2M) grant has been approved by the State. Currently looking for EPA and other grants for funds to complete the project.

New Project: The city is expecting funds from expiring entitlement funds for the design of a new general aviation apron. A surveyor has been onsite for the last couple of days.

ITEM #3 – Military Updates

Lt Col Rawlings said the Guard has been placed on the list for J-model planes. Currently, the list is sitting at the desk of the Director of the National Guard. The 139th should hear in a month or so if they will receive new J-models when it is announced.

MoANG Maintenance Complex: A project for a new maintenance complex for the Missouri Air National Guard is underway. This is funded by a \$7.5M State GR Grant that is executed through the City for the design of a maintenance complex in the North Development area of the 139th AW.

A joint force exercise with a 7-ship of C-130's took off out of Rosecrans and met an additional 4 C-130's from Minnesota, training future leaders to be experts in tactical airlift.

The Guard will hold a career day in mid-April.

ITEM #4 – Action Items

None

ITEM #5 – Board Business

Julius will be attending the annual MAMA/MoSAC conference this coming week in conjunction with State Aviation Day. He will also be attending the annual D.C. Fly-in April 1-3. Due to conflicts with scheduling, the next board meeting will be postponed to later in April or early May.

Chair nominations among the current board members were discussed. Vice-chair Korte nominated current Chairman Welch for one additional year. Member Crenshaw seconded the nomination. Additional discussion will take place at the next board meeting.

ITEM #6 - Airport Tenants/Organization Activities

Leases: The Farm lease, Café lease, and new terminal Janitorial services have been approved by the City Council.

Hangars: Currently, hangars are at full capacity. Member Crenshaw questioned if there could be a lease potential for new hangars on farmed acres, thereby reducing some parcels of farmland. In response, Julius said there could be a clause in the farmer's notification.

EAA Chapter: The local EAA Chapter meeting is scheduled for March 22nd. A Young Eagles rally will be held on Saturday, May 10th.

Aircraft Owners Pilots Association (AOPA): The AOPA continues to support general aviation networks.

ITEM #7 - Capital Improvement Program

CIP funds from City for grant matching. Airport submitted its FY 2026 CIP budget to include a new gate at the FBO, and equipment attachments for existing equipment and machinery.

ITEM #8 - Information Items

Rosecrans Airport won three (3) awards for the Runway 17/3.5 project:

- 1) Mo/KS American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA Chapter for General Aviation project of the year.
- 2) Great Lakes Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives (GLAAAE) for Project of the Year
- 3) A national award from the American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA)

At ICAS, the Sound of Speed received the “Best Show Site” award from the USAF Thunderbirds for our second consecutive airshow in a row. Our next airshow is scheduled in September 2026; however, this has not been confirmed. We will be seeking out the Blue Angles, Thunderbirds and the Snowbirds at the next ICAS convention in December 2025.

MO-KAN Multi-Modal Transportation Advisory Committee continues to hold meetings every month.

241st ATCS AOB: Meetings continue to be held at the Guard’s facility.

BeechNutz: Their Spring clinic is scheduled May 1-5, 2025. They will also return in the fall. It is always great having them come to STJ airport for their annual clinics.

MWSU Law Enforcement Academy: The abandoned 22/04 Runway is available for MWSU to use the southwest end for the Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC). This is becoming a reoccurring event with it’s next time scheduled for the end of April.

Scouts: The Scouts hosted their annual camporee on October 26–27, 2024, with approximately 200 scouts and 350 scout leaders in attendance. During the event, participants engaged in various aviation-related activities designed to support their pursuit of the Aviation Merit Badge. Of those in attendance, 128 scouts successfully earned their Aviation Merit Badge. The camporee concluded without any reported injuries.

The local EAA Chapter 1479, XP SkyRiders and FlyTech Pilot Academy helped the scouts with earning Aviation badge through volunteering aircraft and time for preflight inspections.

Pony Express STOL: The Pony Express STOL event, part of the National Short Takeoff and Landing (STOL) championship series, is scheduled to take place on May 16–17, 2025. Rosecrans will serve as the third stop on the circuit. The event is expected to draw approximately 3,000 attendees, with an estimated 500,000 viewers tuning in via online livestream.

Competition will be held outside designated runway safety areas, in front of the aircraft apron alongside Taxiway A. Up to 70 competitors are anticipated to participate.

Air Traffic Control Tower hours: ATC operates Friday through Tuesday from 0800 to 1800 hours. On Wednesday and Thursday, hours extend from 0800 to 0000 to accommodate 139th NVG training and night operations.

ITEM #9 – Public Comment

None

ITEM #10 - Adjourn

With no other business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 4:06pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

/s/ Roxanne Patton, Administrative Assistant
Rosecrans Memorial Airport