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Minutes for Santa Monica Airport Ad-Hoc Committee- Wednesday, 11/17, 2010 9:30-

Next meeting at Extra Storage Space - December 15, 2010, 10a.m.-12:p.m. All decision were reached by consensus.

Old Business

- 1) Survey distribution Update of names, email addresses. Need extra surveys for Board meeting-Alice – **Tabled**
- 2) Jon Rodgers- aviation consultant discussion- Stephanie reported on telephone meeting with Jon Rodgers and his strategy of assisting us by:
 - Creating a PR Campaign targeting the unfair flight path of the Santa Monica Airport
 - Meeting with FAA officials regarding the flight path of the flight schools
 - We will have a meeting with him ASAP retaining him, and discussing his strategies.
 - In addition we will request flexibility in the budget for funding for his work from the allocation already in the budget for our committee , as well as survey related expenses.)
 - Short discussion of strategy points and agreement “airport closure” needs more study.
- 3) Braden and Sarah will take on the, email addresses and survey including responsibilities of inputting names. Braden will work on technical survey input and mapping.

New Business

Decide official members for Ad-hoc committees- The official members of the committee are Amanda Seward, Laura Silagi, Mindy Taylor-Ross, Stephanie Body, Martin Rubin, Braden Stephens, Sarah Dennison, Ed McQueeney, Ingrid Mueller, Sarah Dennison- Additional members may join. All were present except Sara Dennison. More members can be added.

Questions and ideas for meeting with Bill Rosendahl with Jane Harman, FAA official- **Tabled**
(with the exception of idea of meeting with Rosendahl and the SM City Manager.)

Begin creation overview of strategies for 2015 and immediate goals and steps-**Tabled**

Discuss Sarah’s idea of decibel and flight study over Venice- create motion -**Tabled**

Flight school information and facts– Use of Wikipedia info will be gathered on the “Bad Air” site as well as requesting Jon Rodgers to look into this.

Some to do research– history of increase at SMO especially # of jets, flight schools, etc.-
Possibility of Jon Rodgers contributing to this information. Marty Rubin also has documents regarding this topic.

Discuss Santa Monica City Manager meetings and the Santa Monica group positions forwarded by Marty-
Marty will meet with the S.M. City Manager to request they budget for a video system to monitor on ground activities and flight path in order to determine the idle time and the path of planes for environmental information as well as security information.

Braden brought up the question of monetary benefit to the city of Santa Monica from having the Airport. and offered to file a freedom of information request. Marty offered to ask the S.M. City manager. Braden also discussed possible legal investigation into the flight schools as being engaged in unfair business practices.

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