

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2005 MEETING OF THE
O'HARE NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION
SCHOOL SOUND INSULATION COMMITTEE**

The regular meeting of the School Sound Insulation Committee was held on Wednesday, January 26, 2005, at School District 214 in Arlington Heights.

Dr. Raymond Kuper, ONCC School Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:06 A.M. Mr. Brian Gilligan of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission staff took the meeting minutes.

The following members of the Committee were **present**:

Superintendent Dr. Daniel Schweers, Member – School District 59
Superintendent Kathleen Williams, Member, School District 63
Superintendent Susan Knight, Member, School District 80
Superintendent Jeffrey Schreff, Member – School District 84.5
Superintendent Raymond Kuper, Member - School District 86
Mr. Grant Sabo, Alternate - School District 87
Mr. Michael Cushion, Alternate, School District 89
Mr. Seymour Schwartz, Alternate – School District 214
Superintendent Robert Lupo, Member - School District 234
Mr. Eric Johnson, Alternate, School District 299
Superintendent Frank McKinzie, Member - School District 401

The following members of the Committee were **absent**:

School District 81
School District 84
School District 85 ½

There being a majority of members present, a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 16, 2004

A motion was made by **Dr. Schweers** to approve the meeting minutes of December 16, 2004 and was seconded by **Dr. McKinzie**. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

A) CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Robert Kichura, Program Director for the Chicago Department of Aviation, presented the O'Hare School Program Financial Status Report. Total AIP and PFC disbursements to date for 106 schools with executed grant agreements totaled approximately \$253.7 million. 82 additional schools have requested inclusion into the O'Hare School Sound Insulation Program.

B) Funding for 2003/2004 O'Hare School Sound Insulation Programs

Mr. Thomas Salaman of the FAA Chicago Airports District Office announced that funding has been identified for the current schools that qualify for the Program. He urged schools to put forth their applications before the March 4, 2005 deadline.

C) ONCC Resolutions 2005-1 and 2005-2 Regarding 2003/2004 School Sound Insulation Programs

Mr. William Brogan, Chicago Department of Aviation Assistant Commissioner, explained that as he previously stated at the December 16, 2004 School Committee meeting the federal government has passed the Air-100 aviation legislation bill changing the qualifications of schools currently in place for the School Sound Insulation Program. The language in the bill addresses sound insulation funding within the 65 Day/Night Sound Level (DNL). Currently, the Chicago Department of Aviation uses the Federal Aviation Administration's Integrated Noise Model (INM). This means that the top three schools previously that were monitored and qualified for funding are now no longer eligible for sound insulation under the new bill.

Mr. Brogan recommended passing Resolution 2005-1 which acknowledges the schools that have been tested and do qualify for funding under the new guidelines.

A motion was made by **Dr. Schweers** to accept Resolution 2005-1 and was seconded by **Dr. Williams**. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Dr. Kuper stated that the Commission is working on getting clarification and does not think that the new bill is fair to the schools that previously qualified and played by the rules are now not eligible. He said that letters have been exchanged with the FAA regarding the issue and meeting has been set up to talk about an exemption for the three schools.

Dr. Kuper thanked the Chicago Department of Aviation staff, Tom Salaman and Lindsey Butler of the FAA for their continued support of the program.

Dr. Kuper recommended passage of ONCC Resolution 2005-2 which indicates effort to get the funding for the three schools that are now being excluded because of the AIR-100 Bill.

A Motion was made by **Dr. Schweers** to accept Resolution 2005-2. The motion was seconded by **Dr. McKinzie**. The motion passed by an unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Salaman said that a new noise exposure map is needed in order to show the different DNL levels. He said that now would not be a good idea to research such a map because of the timing with the City of Chicago's O'Hare Modernization Plan (OMP) still pending.

Mr. Brogan said that if a new contour map is made his perception is that it will show that no schools qualify with changes to the fleet mix and aircrafts being up to date. Noise levels have decreased and 106 schools have been sound insulated or are in the process of sound insulation funding.

OTHER BUSINESS

A) 8th Annual African American Pioneers in Aviation Essay Contest

Dr. Kuper told Committee Members about the 8th Annual African American Pioneers in Aviation Essay contest sponsored by the Chicago Department of Aviation. Dr. Kuper will be part of the judge panel and encouraged members interested in participating to contact Deanna Shoss of the Chicago Department of Aviation.

B) 2005 School Committee Schedule

Mr. Gilligan informed members that the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission School Sound Insulation Committee will meet in May and October of 2005. He provided members with a copy of the 2005 School Sound Insulation meeting schedule for 2005.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by **Dr. Schweers** and seconded by **Dr. McKinzie** to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

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