



Tri-County Airport Authority
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Vision 2028 Committee Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2026 – 9:00 AM - Airport Conference Room

In attendance were members of the Vision 2028 Committee, airport staff and others as per the enclosed sign-in sheet

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Locke called meeting to order at 9:02 AM.
2. **Invocation:** Danny Exum
3. **Approval of previous month's meeting minutes:** July 7, 2026 Vision 2028 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Audience wishing to speak:** Danny Exum introduced Tony Daniels, Director of the Washington County Economic Development Council, who briefed the board about his duties and participated in the discussion.
5. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Projected Costs:** Josh Caldwell of AVCON reported that they are working on cost estimates for projects previously discussed in our last meeting, which they plan to put in our hands on or before the next meeting in September.
 - b. **Grants:** There was a lengthy discussion between the Committee, Tony Daniels and AVCON regarding the process of applying for grants as well as agencies or individuals could potentially help. Daniels said that with Florida governor Ron DeSantis wrapping up his term in office, he believes there to be a large number of grant dollars available, and that he recommends that we move forward on any requests as soon as possible.

Committee Member Edward Crutchfield (who is also a County Commissioner for Jackson County) mentioned that he may have a grant writing resource we could either draw upon, or who could coach us with the process.

Grants Action Item: Cauldwell said that he would work with AVCON leadership to see about their researching, reporting to us and writing one or more grants for the airport.
 - c. **New Hangar Tenant:** There was a brief discussion about our shovel-ready site for a new commercial box hangar in the north hangar site, and some discussions being had with possible tenants. No action at this time.
6. **New Business:**
 - a. **None**

Adjourn: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM.

These minutes were compiled by Ross Statham, Secretary, and when subsequently approved by the Board of Directors (during the next meeting of the Board) and when signed by the Secretary, shall constitute a true record to be included with the official legal records.

Ross E. Statham, Secretary

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Vision 2028 Meeting Sign-In Sheet



Meeting Date: 8-4-26

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Role</u>
Jack Locke	<u>Jack Locke</u>	Chairman
Roy Brooks	<u>Roy Brooks</u>	Vice-Chairman
Thomas Leuenberger	<u>Thomas Leuenberger</u>	Treasurer
Leonard Shores	<u>Leonard Shores</u>	
Edward E. Crutchfield	<u>Edward E. Crutchfield</u>	
Danny Exum	<u>Danny Exum</u>	Grants Coordinator
Ross Statham	<u>Ross Statham</u>	Secretary
Mark Wilson	<u>Mark Wilson</u>	Airport Manager
Brenda Wilson	<u>Brenda Wilson</u>	
Lee Lewis, AVCON, Inc.	<u>Lee Lewis, AVCON, Inc.</u>	Airport Engineer
Josh Caldwell, AVCON, Inc.	<u>Josh Caldwell, AVCON, Inc.</u>	Airport Engineer
Guest Name & Organization (Printed)/Signature:	<u>Tony Daniels Washington County</u>	
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