

Airport / Community Roundtable

Meeting No. 272 Overview  
Wednesday, February 2, 2011

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Declaration of Quorum Present

Vice Chairperson Richard Newman called the Regular Meeting of the Airport/Community Roundtable to order, at approximately 7:04 PM, in the David Chetcuti Community Room at Millbrae City Hall. Steven R. Alverson, Roundtable Coordinator, called the roll. A quorum (at least 12 Regular Members) was present as follows:

***REGULAR MEMBERS PRESENT***

**Julian C. L. Chang**, City and County of San Francisco Mayor's Office  
**John Martin**, City and County of San Francisco Airport Commission  
**Richard Newman**, C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC)/Roundtable Vice-Chairperson  
**Sepi Richardson**, City of Brisbane  
**Michael Brownrigg**, City of Burlingame  
**Art Kiesel**, City of Foster City  
**Naomi Patridge**, City of Half Moon Bay  
**Larry May**, Town of Hillsborough  
**Marge Colapietro**, City of Millbrae  
**Jeffrey Gee**, City of Redwood City  
**Omar Ahmad**, City of San Carlos  
**John Lee**, City of San Mateo  
**David Burow**, Town of Woodside

***REGULAR MEMBERS ABSENT***

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors (Vacant)  
County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors (Vacant)  
Town of Atherton  
City of Belmont  
City of Menlo Park  
City of Pacifica  
Town of Portola Valley  
City of San Bruno  
City of South San Francisco

***ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT***

**Airline/Flight Operations**

None

**Federal Aviation Administration**

None

***ROUNDTABLE STAFF / CONSULTANTS***

**David F. Carbone**, Roundtable Program Manager

**Steve Alverson**, Roundtable Coordinator

**Vanessa Lindlaw**, Roundtable Media Program/Consultant

***SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT STAFF***

**Mike McCarron**, Director Bureau of Community Affairs

**Bert Ganoung**, Noise Abatement Manager

**David Ong**, Sr. Noise Abatement Systems Manager

**51**

**Ara Balian**, Noise Abatement Specialist

**II. Election of Roundtable Officers for Calendar Year 2011**

Prior to the elections, a brief discussion took place regarding the term of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Sepi Richardson suggested that the Chairperson's term be limited to two years. Vice Chairperson Richard Newman stated that according to the Bylaws, the election of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson occurs annually and, therefore, by default there is already a term limit. He also suggested that it is up to the Roundtable to determine if a Chair or Vice Chair should be reelected based on their performance. The discussion ended on the note that if the Roundtable was interested in adopting term limits, the matter would need to be referred to the Bylaws Subcommittee.

**A. Election of Roundtable Chairperson**

**Action:** Vice Chairperson Richard Newman called for nominations for the position of Chairperson from the floor. John Lee **NOMINATED** Richard Newman for Chairperson. The motion was **SECONDED** by **Michael Brownrigg**. Sepi Richardson **MOVED** that the nominations be closed. The motion was **SECONDED** by Art Kiesel and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**. Richard Newman was declared Chairperson by acclamation.

**Comments/Concerns/Questions:** Marge Colapietro asked if the Bylaws required that the Chairperson be from the County of San Mateo. David F. Carbone responded that there was no requirement in the Bylaws required that the Chairperson be from the County of San Mateo. Marge Colapietro asked if the Bylaws Subcommittee would be taking up the issue of rotating the Chairperson position. David F. Carbone responded that such a request should be submitted to Roundtable staff in writing.

**B. Election of Roundtable Vice Chairperson**

**Action:** Chairperson Richard Newman called for nominations for the position of Vice Chairperson from the floor. Naomi Patridge **NOMINATED** Sepi Richardson for Vice Chairperson. The motion was **SECONDED** by Jeffrey Gee. Omar Ahmad **MOVED** that the nominations be closed. The motion was **SECONDED** by Marge Colapietro and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**. Sepi Richardson was declared Vice Chairperson by acclamation.

**Comments/Concerns/Questions:** None.

**III. Public Comment on Relevant Items Not on the Agenda**

**None.**

#### **IV. Consent Agenda Items**

- A.** Review of Airport Director's Report for November 2010
- B.** Review of Airport Director's Report for December 2010
- C.** Review of a Roundtable Regular Meeting Overview for December 2010
- D.** Review/Approval of Correspondence/Information Items for February 2011

**Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.**

**Action:** Omar Ahmad **MOVED** the approval of the Consent Agenda Items. The motion was **SECONDED** by Jeffrey Gee and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY.**

**52**

#### **V. Airport Director's Comments**

Airport Director, John Martin, indicated that noise concerns of Brisbane residents continues to remain a focus of his and the SFO Aircraft Noise Abatement Office staff has been working with the FAA to identify the issues

**Comments/Concerns/Questions: Omar Ahmad asked if there were any effects on SFO as a result of the snowstorms back east. Mike McCarron said that Chicago O'Hare International Airport had 70 cancelled flights, which caused some cancellations at SFO.**

#### **VI. Recognition of Roundtable Representatives and Alternates for 2011**

- A.** Welcome to New Roundtable Representatives and Alternates

Chairperson Newman welcomed the following new Roundtable Representatives and Alternates recognizing that Larry May was present at tonight's meeting:

- a. Charlie Bronitsky, Alternate, City of Foster City
- b. Allan Alifano; Alternate, City of Half Moon Bay
- c. Larry May, Representative, Town of Hillsborough
- d. Maria Chuang, Alternate, Town of Hillsborough
- e. Dave Tanner, Alternate, Town of Woodside
- f. Pete DeJarnatt, Alternate, City of Pacifica

Chairperson Newman thanked the following outgoing Roundtable Representatives and Alternates for their service on the Roundtable and called for a motion to adopt Resolutions 11-01 through 11-04 to formally recognize their service:

- B.** Adoption of Resolution 11-01 to Recognize Council Member Julie Lancelle for Her Service on the Roundtable as the Alternate for the City of Pacifica
- C.** Adoption of Resolution 11-02 to Recognize Council Member Rick Kowalczyk for His Service on the Roundtable as the Alternate for the City of Half Moon Bay
- D.** Adoption of Resolution 11-03 to Recognize Council Member Christine Krolik for Her Service on the Roundtable as the Representative for the Town of Hillsborough

- E. Adoption of Resolution 11-04 to Recognize Council Member Jay Benton for His Service on the Roundtable as the Alternate for the Town of Hillsborough

**Action:** Omar Ahmad **MOVED** the adoption of Resolutions 11-01 through 11-04. The motion was **SECONDED** by Marge Colapietro and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

## VII. FY 2010 – 2011 Roundtable Work Program Items

- A. Review/Approval of Resolution 11-05 Designating Roundtable Meeting Dates, Time, and Place for Calendar Year 2011

Chairperson Newman introduced Resolution 11-05 designating the Roundtable meeting dates for 2011 as February 2, May 4, September 7, and November 2; the time of the meetings as 7 pm; and the place for the meetings as place as the David Chetcuti Community Room at Millbrae City Hall.

### 53

**Action:** Omar Ahmad **MOVED** the approval of Resolution 11-05. The motion was **SECONDED** by Art Kiesel and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY.**

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

- B. Review of the Fly Quiet Program Quarterly Report for the 4th Quarter 2010

SFO Aircraft Noise Abatement Manager Bert Ganoung provided an overview of the Fly Quiet Program Quarterly Report for the 4th Quarter 2010. Bert indicated that the Fly Quiet Summary Report bounced up to 6.52 in the Quarter, which he believes is a result of the SFO Aircraft Noise Abatement Office taking a proactive approach with the bottom five airlines. Bert also reported that Fleet Noise Quality is on a rising trend and reached 5.6 this Quarter with regional jet operators occupying the top five spots. The Noise Exceedance Rating showed a rising trend reaching 8.91 in the Quarter. The Nightly Preferential Runway Use popped up to 4.61 this Quarter. The Shoreline Departure trended down with Lufthansa saying that they cannot fly the procedure and will be departing out the Gap. The Gap Departure improved the last quarter and the Foster City Arrival was very high at 7.13.

**Comments/Concerns/Questions:** Vice Chairperson Richardson asked if there is a penalty associated with the overflight of Brisbane in the Fly Quiet Program as there is associated with the Foster City Arrival. Bert Ganoung explained that there is not a similar penalty associated with the overflight of Brisbane. Vice Chairperson Richardson suggested that the penalty apply to all cities. Bert Ganoung explained that the Fly Quiet Program and its associated parameters were a product of the Work Program and the SFO is working with Brisbane and FAA outside of the Fly Quiet Program to try to improve the situation for Brisbane residents. Vice Chairperson Richardson said that there are aircraft over Brisbane every two minutes and requested a copy of the flight track depiction associated with the Shoreline Departure. She also said that Virgin America seems to be flying differently over Brisbane. Naomi Patridge asked if Oakland International Airport air traffic impacts Brisbane, Bert Ganoung said that it does. Julian Chang asked if the A320Neo aircraft ordered by Virgin America would help. Bert said that they would, but the aircraft are expected to be in the fleet by 2014-2015. Chairperson Newman asked if compliance with the Foster City Arrivals is easier than the departure procedures. Bert Ganoung answered that yes, the Foster City arrival procedure is easier to comply with than the Shoreline Departure.

**C. Report on Effects of the Continental/United Merger on Aircraft Operations**

Bert Ganoung reported that Continental and United are moving towards operating as a single airline and are code sharing now. Continental is moving May 1, 2011 from Terminal 1 to Terminal 3 to collocate with United's operation. Newark is the only destination served by both airlines out of SFO. Hilo, Hawaii has been added as a new destination with one 737-800 flight per week on Saturday. There will no doubt be more changes to report on as the merger progresses.

**Comments/Concerns/Questions:** Omar Ahmad asked when Terminal 2 is opening. John Martin said that the Terminal 2 grand reopening is scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup> with a public Open House planned for April 9<sup>th</sup>. An invitation for the Open house will be sent to the Roundtable members.

**D. Update on Efforts to Adopt 60 CNEL as a Federal Standard**

Roundtable Coordinator Steve Alverson reported that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has sponsored research to examine the Day/Night Average Sound Level (DNL) metric, which is considered to be roughly equivalent to CNEL. The research is underway, but there have been no reports released. Should the research recommend a change in the noise metric, it could mean a change in the current 65 DNL federal guideline for land use compatibility.

**54**

**Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.**

**E. Consideration/Approval of Holding a Workshop in Brisbane, re: Aircraft Overflight Noise**

**Steve Alverson suggested that based on the continued concerns regarding increased aircraft noise by Brisbane residents, an aircraft noise workshop should be held in Brisbane. In the past, the Roundtable has supported workshops in other communities when similar concerns have arisen. If approved by the Roundtable, staff would work with SFO, FAA, and the City of Brisbane to organize and schedule an aircraft noise workshop in Brisbane.**

**Comments/Concerns/Questions: Michael Brownrigg indicated that he is deeply sympathetic to Brisbane's situation and an effort should be made to try understand what has changed to cause Brisbane residents to be concerned. However, the public should be reminded at the Workshop that the shifting of noise from one community to another is not an option. Marge Colapietro suggested that the Workshop is a good way of providing outreach to the residents of Brisbane. Naomi Patridge suggested that other agencies such as the FAA need to be involved in the issue as well to try and figure out why there has been an increase in aircraft noise in Brisbane. Chairperson Newman pointed out that a similar meeting in Portola Valley to listen to the residents and provide feedback about how the SFO operates turned out well and he would support similar effort in Brisbane. Vice Chairperson Richardson said that no one is proposing shifting noise from one community to another, but rather to fly in a way that is less intrusive for Brisbane and neighboring cities.**

**Action: Marge Colapietro MOVED the approval of holding an Aircraft Noise Workshop in Brisbane with the details of the date, time, location, and participants to be worked out by Roundtable and SFO staff. The motion was SECONDED by Omar Ahmad and CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY.**

**F. Appoint a Roundtable Work Program Subcommittee to Prepare a Draft Work Program for FY 2011/2012**

**Steve Alverson reviewed the process of establishing a Work Program Subcommittee to develop a recommended Work Program for Fiscal Year 2011/2012 for the full Roundtable to consider/approve at the May 4, 2011. The Work Program Subcommittee currently consists of the Chair Newman, Vice Chair Richardson, Michael Brownrigg, Marge Colapietro, Sue Digre, Dave Canepa, and Omar Ahmad. Since Daly City is longer a member of the Roundtable, Larry May volunteered to serve on the Subcommittee in place of Dave Canepa. The Subcommittee meeting will be attended by Roundtable staff. SFO and FAA often participate as well.**

**Action: Omar Ahmad MOVED and Michal Brownrigg SECONDED the approval Work Program Subcommittee as recommended. The motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.**

**G. Discussion of Roundtable Interest in a Noise 101 Session**

## 55

**Steve Alverson polled the Roundtable members regarding their interest in a "Noise 101" session, which have been held in the past to familiarize incoming members with aircraft noise**

terminology and to serve as a refresher for long-term members. Ideally, the Noise 101 sessions would be held prior to a regular Roundtable meeting. Michael Brownrigg, Larry May, Vice Chairperson Richardson, Art Kiesel, and Marge Colapietro expressed interest in attending the Noise 101 Workshop. Given the general level of interest in the Noise 101 session, Roundtable staff will look for an opportunity to schedule a Noise 101 session prior to a future regular meeting.

**Comments/Concerns/Questions:** Marge Colapietro asked how long the Noise 101 Workshop would be. Bert Ganoung indicated that previous Noise 101 sessions have lasted about one and a half hours.

H. Consideration / Approval of a Date, Time, and Place to Hold the Roundtable 30th Anniversary Program and Authorize Roundtable Staff to Begin Planning the Program

Roundtable Program Manager David F. Carbone reviewed staff's recommendation for date, time, and location of the Roundtable's 30th Anniversary Program, which is Wednesday, June 29th at 7:00 PM at the Louis A. Turpen Museum in the International Terminal at SFO. Staff is requesting Roundtable approval of the recommended date, time, and place to allow staff to secure the facilities and begin the process of planning the anniversary program.

**Action:** Julian Chang **MOVED** and Marge Colapietro **SECONDED** the approval of the recommended date, time, and place for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary program. The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

#### **VIII. Member Communications / Announcements**

Steve Alverson said that he was coordinating with the Port of Oakland on the next Oakland International Airport Noise Forum/SFO Roundtable tour of the Northern California TRACON (NCT). The details concerning the date and time of the NCT tour will be sent out to Roundtable Members and Alternates via e-mail as soon as they become available.

**Comments/Concerns/Questions:** None.

#### **XIV. Adjourn**

**56**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:19 PM.