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From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
 To: <reltd@r-e-l.com>
 Sent: Friday, July 18, 2003 1:46 PM
 Subject: FWD: press release about airport

Herman FYI The attached is a " Press Release " Al Beckwith sent out to the Daily Kent Stater and perhaps other news outlets. I only said to the reporter we are in a Master Planning process that will examine the alternative to relocate air activities along with many other alternatives that address how best to serve aviation, the local communities, etc. It was way to early to discuss anything in Al's release and she should consider the source and the sources agenda and perhaps not become a tool for his purposes. tomclapper

----- Forwarded by THOMAS CLAPPER/VPB/Kent on 07/18/2003 02:00 PM -----

jalaimo
 <jalaimo@kent.edu> To: tclapper@kent.edu
 > cc:
 Subject: FWD: press release about airport
 07/18/2003 01:04
 PM

Mr. Clapper,

This is what I received. If you have any more comments about it I can be reached in the office at ex. 2-2584 or on my cell phone, 330-990-3336.

Thanks

and have a good weekend!

Jessica Alaimo

>===== Original Message From CAC Information <info@beckwithenterprises.com>
 =====

The Future KSU Airport in Stow and The Future of The Aerospace Program is also at Risk !

When an airport is shut down there is a loss in jobs in the
 Aviation
 Industry.

These jobs, being lost, may be previous graduates of Kent State University
 r other universities.

The loss of an airport, like Kent State Airport, would mean that the
 businesses, employees and residents of the communities this airport serves

cc: HS

07/18/2003

will no longer have a job or the convenient access this airport provides.

You may be a student today, a business pilot or an executive tomorrow. When you retire and want to continue to be in aviation. Having an airport in your local community, like Stow, becomes an asset !

Think about it !

Support the continuation of "The Airport In Stow"

This is a "Wake Up Call".

Al Beckwith, President
Commercial Aviation Corp. at "The Airport In Stow"

Daily Kent Stater
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stater@kent.edu

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Summer Stater
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SURVEY OF AIRCRAFT CURRENTLY ABLE TO UTILIZE THE KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AIRPORT

Using 10 manufacturers of General Aviation Aircraft

Source: Aircraft Bluebook Price Digest, Vol. 03-1

All figures based on ability to takeoff and clear 50 ft. obstacle using less than 3500 ft. of runway, at Maximum Gross Takeoff Weight.

| Manufacturer: | S.E. Piston | | S.E. Turboprop | | M.E. Piston | | M.E. Turboprop | | Jet | | Total Reg. in U.S. (by Manufacturer): |
|---|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--|
| | Acceptable Models: | Total Models: | Acceptable Models: | Total Models: | Acceptable Models: | Total Models: | Acceptable Models: | Total Models: | Acceptable Models: | Total Models: | |
| Beechcraft | 40 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 40 | 14 | 15 | 0 | 1 | 27,556 |
| Cessna | 115 | 115 | 2 | 2 | 47 | 47 | 3 | 3 | 14 | 19 | 99,216 |
| De Havilland | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 3 | 3 | N/A | N/A | 167 (Twin Otter Only) |
| Fairchild (Metro/Merlin) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 492 (Metro/Merlin Only) |
| Learjet | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 26 | 1,691 |
| Mitsubishi | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 489 |
| Mooney | 23 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,719 |
| Piaggio (Avanti) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 56 |
| Pilatus (PC-12) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 245 |
| Piper | 66 | 66 | 1 | 1 | 31 | 31 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 62,556 |
| TOTALS: | 244 | 244 | 4 | 4 | 118 | 118 | 49 | 50 | 23 | 49 | 200,187 |
| Percentage of each type of A/C able to utilize 1G3: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 100% | | 100% | | 98% | | 46% | | |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Models Surveyed: | 499 |
| Total Models able to utilize 1G3: | 472 (94.6%) |

Legend:

Acceptable Models= Models that can currently utilize 1G3

Total Models= Total number of models produced

N/A= Information not available in source book

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From: "Albert C. Beckwith" <albeckwith@beckwithenterprises.com>
To: "Richland Engineering Limited" <reltd@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 5:16 PM
Subject: Re: Airport Master Plan Standing Committee Memo

Hi

I could not open labelling.

I'll pick them up when I see you on Tuesday.

I'll call when I leave KSU Airport.

Al Beckwith

At 11:09 AM 8/25/03 -0400, you wrote:

Good Morning,

We thank you for your participation in preparing the draft Airport Master Plan for the Kent State University Airport. Your efforts are very much appreciated in this planning phase. Attached, as discussed, is a copy of the airport user survey addresses. Please feel free to forward additional addresses and/or comments to:

Richland Engineering Limited
29 N. Park Street
Mansfield, Ohio
(419)524-0074
or
hschwaner@R-E-L.com

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cc: HS, GS

08/26/2003

Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: Albert C. Beckwith <albeckwith@beckwithenterprises.com>
To: Hermann Schwaner, PE <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 5:34 PM
Subject: Re: KSU Airport

Hermann

I'll call when I am departing KSU airport for MFD.

I'll park at the terminal.

Thanks for making the time for me.

Al Beckwith

At 01:52 PM 8/25/03 -0400, you wrote:

>Mr. Beckwith- thank you for your input and notes of approval of the
 >workshop process. Regarding your request for meeting with me at our office,
 >I will be available any time August 26, 27and 28. In the event of emergency
 >calls Jeremy or Patrick will fill in for me and will provide transportation
 >for you to our office. My preferred meeting time would be at 1:00 PM,
 >Wednesday August 27, 2003, provided that a Sponsor's representative can also
 >attend the meeting. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience to
 >finalize time and date of your meeting

>----- Original Message -----

>From: Commercial Aviation Corp <learntofly@beckwithenterprises.com>
 >To: Richland Engineering <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
 >Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2003 5:12 PM
 >Subject: KSU Airport

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>> Herman

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>> I would like to visit your office early in the week of August 24.

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>> Please call me and let me know your availability. My only conflict at the
 >> moment is 9 am to 3 PM on Tues.

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>> I would fly over and will need a ride to your office, if you can arrange
 >that.

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>> Looking forward to being with you.

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>> I felt the meeting was productive and and that I will be getting a
 >> transcript soon.

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>> Al Beckwith

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>> 330-686-1234

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From: Albert C. Beckwith <albeckwith@beckwithenterprises.com>
To: Hermann Schwaner, PE <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 5:35 PM
Subject: Re: KSU Airport

Thanks

Al Beckwith

At 03:16 PM 8/25/03 -0400, you wrote:

>Al Beckwith - confirming our meeting with you as scheduled for 2:00 pm
>Tuesday August 26, 2003. We will pick you up at the airport terminal
>building at 2:00 pm.

>----- Original Message -----

>From: Commercial Aviation Corp <learntofly@beckwithenterprises.com>
>To: Richland Engineering <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
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Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: Commercial Aviation Corp <learnfly@beckwithenterprises.com>
To: Richland Engineering <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 15, 2003 5:12 PM
Subject: Airport Operating Data 2003

Dear Hermann

Please be advised the we have operated the eight aircraft based here at KSU Airport.

Other aircraft that we have operated are based at Akron-Canton Airport (CAK).

Our operation through September were 2,520.

I would like to point out that ability to increase our fleet at KSU Airport is limited as a result of insufficient **T-Hangars**

Larger Hangars Twin Piston Engine and Turbine Engine Aircraft would enhance the revenue at KSU Airport; in addition to assisting in attracting Business to this Summit County area which this airport serves.

Please advise if further information is required.

Al Beckwith
President
Commercial Aviation Corp
at KSU Airport since 1966

PS: What provisions are currently being made to insure the documentation of Transient aircraft; including those coming in for maintenance

ACB

WISH LIST:

1. AWOS
2. Wider Runway to 75 ft
3. Long Term Lease for:
Land to build T-Hangars & Corporate Hangars
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5. Permanent Structures for Businesses on the airport.
6. Establish Airport Authority to include local municipalities: Stow, Munroe Falls, Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Boston Heights
and improve the economic climate in this area.

Al

Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: Hermann Schwaner, PE <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
To: Commercial Aviation Corp <learntofly@beckwithenterprises.com>
Cc: THOMAS CLAPPER <tclapper@kent.edu>
Sent: Thursday, October 16, 2003 10:53 AM
Subject: Re: Airport Operating Data 2003

Mr. Beckwith - responding to your concerns. The issues that you raise are well taken. Your input will reinforce our findings and recommendations of the master plan.

Please reconfirm the actual number of aircraft that you operate out of KSU airport and also the actual number of aircraft that you would relocate from Akron Canton airport to KSU or a nearby site if proper facilities were available. Also if you could categorize the fleet mix into types of aircraft; i.e. how many aircraft with wingspan less than 49-ft and approach speed less than 91-knots; and how many aircraft with wing span more than 49-ft but less than 79-ft and approach speed more than 91-knots but less than 121-knots. Also a break down into propeller and turbo/jet would be helpful.

Regarding your question for documentation of transient aircraft; the records are taken when the airport is staffed. However we have put out permanent counters on a 24/7 basis for ten weeks and subtracted the based operations from that data. The accuracy of the data is +/- 10%.

Regarding your "Wish List" our recommendations are as shown on the future/ultimate airport lay out plan and the detailed listings in the master plan report. Our facilities recommendations are determined by forecast based and itinerant aircraft and operations and the associated demands and planning standards. The forecasts are based on market share/dynamic. We believe the accuracy of the forecasts to be +/- 5%. All fundamental indicators are positive and there is no credible data available to us to consider forecasting a static/no growth curve. In addition there is a trend by businesses towards fractional ownership, shared flight services etc. Further carrier airports with backlogs during peak periods have no options but to discourage small business type and recreational use of aircraft within their airspace and encourage the use of less congested airspace i.e. GA airports. At the moment our slower than expected, progress is due to our inability to convey our findings acceptably to the public and public officials. In short script we prefer not to use the TAF data when all indicators flow in the opposite directions. We encourage all recipients of this e-mail to critique the master plan from their point of view. Respectfully Hermann.

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and improve the economic climate in this area.

Al

Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: THOMAS CLAPPER <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2004 4:17 PM
Subject: Re: KSU Airport Expansion

Herman FYI, for the record. tomclapper

----- Forwarded by THOMAS CLAPPER/VPB/Kent on 01/22/2004 04:21 PM -----

THOMAS CLAPPER

To: Kim Hoffman <hoffman996@hotmail.com>
01/22/2004 04:16 PM cc: aschunk@recordpub.net, djda@prodigy.net,
gauthone@aol.com, katherine.s.jones@faa.gov,
mayor@stow.oh.us, rudy.rudolph@dot.state.oh.us,
smfcc@smfcc.com
Subject: Re: KSU Airport Expansion(Document link: THOMAS CLAPPER)

Kim Thank you for your comments regarding the Airport Master Plan. Your comments will become part of the public record.

As discussed at the meeting last evening Richland Engineering is researching impact onto property values as a result of expansion and we will report the finding at the next pubic meeting.

Regarding your comment on taxes to Stow. I tried to be clear in the meeting that this was the direct tax benefit to Stow,ie, payroll tax, etc. There are economic benefits that do result to the community beyond this direct income tax.

Regarding your comment on relocation to a more rural area. The purpose of the alternative analysis is to find the best approach to meet future aviation demand and balance the interest of the communities regarding economic, social, and environmental impacts. It was clearly expressed and noted that the majority of people at the meeting oppose any increase in air activities and expansion of the Stow airport. This sentiment was supported by elected officials who were also present at the meeting.

We have received good feedback and are continuing the analysis. I believe we are on the right track to find best opportunity to meet aviation demand in balance with community needs and wants. We are indeed looking to the future regarding this process.

tomclapper

Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: "Ron Jones" <rjarrange@myexcel.com>
Cc: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2004 7:00 AM
Subject: Re: KSU Airport

Mr and Mrs. Jones Thank you for your comment regarding the Kent State airport master plan. Your comment will become a part of the public record.
tomclapper

Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <Debdoug58@aol.com>
Cc: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Monday, April 05, 2004 3:37 PM
Subject: Re: Airport Expansion

Mr. Berkey Thank you for your comments regarding the Kent State Airport master plan. Your comments will be included in the public record.
 tomclapper

Debdoug58@aol.co
 m To: kcoughlin@mailr.sen.state.ohio.us,
 mayor@stow.ohio.us, mayor@munroefalls.com,
 04/05/2004 11:47 district42@ohr.state.ohio.us, trustees@kent.edu,
 AM ccartwri@kent.edu, dcreamer@kent.edu, tclapper@kent.edu,
 katherine.s.jones@faa.gov, nomoreplanes@neo.rr.com
 cc:
 Subject: Airport Expansion

First of all, I would like to thank CAFE for providing all these addresses. I am in full support of expansion at the KSU facility in Stow. The future of aviation depends on properly and sufficiently trained students, and out of date "classrooms" can only hinder this progress. KSU will not become an international, 24 hour a day, air-travel hub. Yes, the runway widening is not required, but it will add an extreme amount of safety to the runway itself, thereby providing increased safety to the surrounding area. Stow/Munroe Falls does not want to loose this business, or the revenue it provides. Someone opposed to the expansion pointed out that "all you need to get into the program is a 2.5 grade average." This same person needs to realize that all you do not even need that to get a drivers permit...seems to me that highway accidents are very common around here, I can't recall the last time I have read or heard of an occurance at the airport. My full support to the KSU expansion!

Doug Berkey - Munroe Falls, OH

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Chamber of
Commerce

Resolution # 2004-2

April 7, 2004

A Resolution of Support to Keep the Kent State University Airport (as is) in Stow.

Whereas, the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce has heard and reviewed information regarding the possible expansion &/or closure of the Kent State University Airport, which has been located in the City of Stow since 1920; and

Whereas, this facility has provided important services to the businesses and residents of Stow and Munroe Falls for many years; and

Whereas, the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce's primary mission is to promote, support and serve our members and encourage economic development in the area; and

Whereas, the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce strongly supports future business development in the community, which in turn would utilize the benefits of a local airport; and

Whereas, future development could also be considered for the area surrounding the airport; and

Whereas, future development will be an important addition to the community tax base.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce supports the retention of the Kent State University Airport in Stow (as is) as well as future development surrounding the site.

Approved by the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors on 04/15/04.

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| Post-it® Fax Note | 7671 | Date | 4/16 | # of pages | 1 |
| To | Hermann | From | Jamc | | |
| Co./Dept. | | Co. | | | |
| Phone # | | Phone # | | | |
| Fax # | | Fax # | | | |

cc HSJS

Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 25, 2004 7:13 AM
Subject: FW: KSU Airport

Herman Please see attached letter to include in the public comment section. tomclapper

----- Forwarded by THOMAS CLAPPER/VPB/Kent on 05/25/2004 07:16 AM -----

DAVID CREAMER

To: THOMAS CLAPPER/VPB/Kent@Kent
05/25/2004 06:59 AM cc:
Subject: FW: KSU Airport

For your records.

David K. Creamer
Vice President for Administration
Kent State University
(330) 672-2422
(330) 672-2190 (fax)

----- Forwarded by DAVID CREAMER/VPB/Kent on 05/25/2004 07:03 AM -----

"Paton, William"
<WApaton@anmc.org> To: dcreamier@kent.edu
> cc:
Subject: FW: KSU Airport
05/24/2004 07:23 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Paton, William
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2004 4:07 PM
To:
Subject: KSU Airport

I encourage you to continue to run the KSU Aeronautics Division flight training program out of Andrew Paton Field at the KSU Airport in Stow. My father's vision for aviation training at KSU would be furthered. The KSU Airport is an important asset for KSU and the Kent and Stow communities. The expense of developing an up to date airport facility there including new university buildings and a widened (but not lengthened) runway could be offset by innovative leasing of airport land for airport and community friendly and compatible commercial sites. Such a business park could further increase the value of this important University asset. The very adequate 3950 ft widened runway would nicely meet expected traffic requirements and would not need to be lengthened.

The University could maintain its State land ownership, honor its mutually beneficial commitments to the communities of Kent and Stow and to the FAA, and flight training could continue for KSU students at the safer airport. Andrew W. Paton's vision for Kent State University aviation would blossom, to the significant benefit of his University and community.

Sincerely,

William Andrew Paton, M.D.

Orthopaedic Surgeon

Alaska Native Medical Center

Anchorage Alaska

Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2004 7:36 AM
Subject: Some questions regarding plans for the KSU airport

Herman For the record. tomclapper

----- Forwarded by THOMAS CLAPPER/VPB/Kent on 05/27/2004 07:39 AM -----

Tom Lowery
 <tom@lowerys.net> To: tclapper@kent.edu
 cc: ccartwri@kent.edu, trustees@kent.edu,
 05/26/2004 04:10 PM katherine.s.jones@faa.gov, rrudolph@dot.state.oh.us,
 albeckwith@beckwithenterprises.com, bill.dunn@aopa.org
 Please respond to Subject: Some questions regarding plans for the KSU
 tom airport

Dear Mr. Clapper,

I have a couple questions regarding the airport master plan and KSU's plan to close the facility. I'm hoping you can shed some light on these and I would much appreciate a reply.

The master plan projects an increase in demand at the airport such that a runway extension is needed. The apparent need for expansion is at the heart of the argument for closing the airport. However, senior members of the Aeronautics program at the university, including Department Chair Dr. Isaac Nettey, Richard Clark, and Tim Palcho have commented that they see absolutely no need to lengthen the runway. I would consider these people experts in their field who can competently speak for the KSU academic flight training program. Also, in the past several months I, myself a pilot, have spoken and corresponded via e-mail with over one hundred local pilots. Not one of them has felt a need to lengthen the almost 4,000 ft. runway. Therefore, my first question is, what facts have lead you to believe that the runway must be lengthened?

Second, I have heard the claim that the university can get \$300 million by selling the airport land for development. With less than 300 acres of land, that comes to over \$100,000 an acre. To date, I am not aware of any land in or around the city of Stow that has sold for more than \$30,000 per acre. My second question then is, by what basis does the university expect to get over \$100,000 per acre for this land?

Thank you in advance for your consideration of these questions.

Tom Lowery

Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <tom@lowerys.net>
Cc: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2004 7:32 AM
Subject: Re: Some questions regarding plans for the KSU airport

Mr. Lowry Thank you for your questions regarding the Airport Master Plan. Forecasts of Aviation Demand are detailed in Chapter three of the Airport Master Plan report. This report is available at the Stow Public Library and is posted on the Kent State University web site.

Land valuation information is also contained in the Airport Master Plan report, the Appendix.

tomclapper

GENERAL STATEMENTS

Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: BETH ADAMS <badams@kent.edu>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Cc: <tomc@ts.kent.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2003 7:29 AM
Subject: Master plan

FYI

----- Forwarded by BETH ADAMS/VPB/Kent on 12/01/2003 07:32 AM -----

Richard Schor
<schorshow@hotmail.com> To: badams@kent.edu
cc:
Subject: Master plan
11/29/2003 07:51
PM

Beth Adams,

Hi, i am a Kent State Graduate and i have earned my private pilot certificate from the Kent State airport. I look forward to seeing the development of the airport over time. I believe the airport is a benefit to the community and the university. If i could assist you in any way let me know. I am a new graduate and have a degree in Aeronautics. If i could add something to the process, i would love to.

Could you e-mail me and let me know what your position is? Also, i am interested in career opportunites and i would be very excited to work on a project like this for the University. If you are would like, i could send you my resume.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you
Richard C. Schor

Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: CAC Information <info@beckwithenterprises.com>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 03, 2003 6:49 PM
Attach: plan.meeting.12.10.03.doc
Subject: Please Support KSU Airport

Dear Friends -

Please Support the continuation of "The Airport in Stow" (KSU Airport)

Thank You

Al Beckwith
info@beckwithenterprises.com
330-686-1234

*** Notice of a Public Meeting ***

Purpose: Kent State University Airport Master Plan

When: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 @ 7:00 PM

Where: Stow City Hall

The Kent State University Airport is currently conducting an Airport Master Plan. The airport is seeking input from area residents on the first three chapters of the plan. The information in these chapters will be utilized to determine future airport activity, growth and development options. Chapters one thru three are available on our website.

<http://www.kent.edu/airport/MasterPlan.cfm>

*** Please attend ***

Notice: From Al Beckwith – President
Commercial Aviation Corp.
www.BeckwithEnterprises.com

The Airport Does Not Need:

A Longer Runway

The Airport Does Need:

01 – 19 Runway – Widen to 100 Ft.

5 – 23 Runway – Reactivate and Pave

Grading on the East of Runway

Aviation Weather Reporting System

Additional Hangars for Corporate and Private Aircraft Owners

New Terminal Building with Café

These improvements will insure additional "Security of Flight" and provide the much-needed Facilities for Economic Growth in our Community.

Take the time to let the City of Stow:

Janet D'Antonio – djda@prodigy.net

Ron Gauthier – gauthone@aol.com

Kent State University:

Tom Clapper – tclapper@kent.edu

The Federal Aviation Administration:

Katy Jones – katherine.s.jones@faa.gov

Ohio Department of Aviation:

Rudy Rudolph – rudv.rudolph@dot.state.oh.us

Richland Engineering (Consultants):

Hermann Schwaner, P.E. – hsschwaner@r-e-l.com

Stow Sentry:

Andrew Schunk – aschunk@recordpub.net

Stow/Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce:

smfcc@smfcc.com

KNOW YOUR OPINIONS!

Keep the Airport, and develop the opportunity to establish an **Airport Authority** to insure the items approved in the Grant, for this airport, will be implemented to insure increased **Safety and Economic Development for the Community.**

Al Beckwith

Hermann Schwaner, PE

From: DENNIS BADEN <dbaden@kent.edu>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2004 9:19 AM
Subject: WAKR News

Tom:

I spoke with Pat from WAKR news. She asked me three questions.

1. What is the problem with the airport that there was a public meeting last night?

I told her that there wasn't a problem, but that the airport is in the process of conducting a 20 year master plan. As part of the process we hold a series of public meetings, and last night was one of those meetings.

2. Where the comments from the public in support of the airport or against it.

I told her that there were a series of alternatives presented in the meeting, and there were many comments both for and against the different alternatives.

3. Is there anything else?

We will be reviewing the alternatives and selecting two or three alternatives and take those back to the general public for further review.

Dennis Baden
Assistant General Manager
Kent State University - Transportation Services

Hermann Schwaner, PE

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Cc: THOMAS CLAPPER <tclapper@kent.edu>; BETH ADAMS <badams@kent.edu>; <hschwaner@kent.edu>
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2004 2:46 PM
Subject: Re: Airport Master Plan

Dear Mr. Dwenger:

I have forwarded your email to Tom Clapper. His email address is tclapper@kent.edu. Tom is the chairman of the committee and will gladly answer your questions. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank You:

Dennis Baden
 Assistant General Manager
 Kent State University - Transportation Services

kdwenge@po.myersind.com To: dbaden@kent.edu
 cc:
 01/22/2004 02:17 PM Subject: Airport Master Plan

Dear Mr. Baden,

Last night I attended the public meeting for the airport master plan. How anybody from Kent State University got out alive I have no idea. I was going to speak on behalf of airport expansion but due to the rage displayed by some of the residents I didn't.

I couldn't find Mr. Clapper's e-mail address on the airport home page but I do have a couple of questions that I didn't have a chance to ask:

(1). How do I get on the Airport Standing Committee? I'm tired of Sergio's comments. I know he's a Stow resident but he has no aviation knowledge or any expertise whatsoever. Does he think that Stow's students go to school 24-7? He kept bringing that fact up last night and I have no idea what the basis for his comments were.

(2). How and why did the Pambi Farm development go in? Why was the land rezoned? Did Stow honestly think the airport was going to close?

(3). Is there anyway I can set up a meeting with Mr.Clapper about the future of the airport? A Stow resident mentioned that he talked to him about his concerns.

(4). My recommendation is this for the master plan, make the required safety improvements as discussed in the plan (widen the runway to 75 feet etc., open the airport up to additional traffic, maybe some companies would be more apt to relocate to Stow) and finally 10 years down the road propose an extension to the northern part of the runway. It was the cheapest, most economical improvement that can be made to the airport. If you say that the runway extension will not occur for 10 years most of the present residents of Stow will not remember these discussions and some of them will not be living in Stow any longer.

I also would like to state that I don't really care if you bulldoze over the back nine holes of Roses Run Golf Course. The course is too hard for for anyone but semiprofessional golfers.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Kevin Dwenger
A Stow resident just like Sergio

Herman Schwaner

From: "DENNIS BADEN" <dbaden@kent.edu>
To: "James Jewett" <jjj@raex.com>
Cc: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>; "BETH ADAMS" <badams@kent.edu>;
 <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 8:26 AM
Subject: Re: Airport Plans

Dear Mr. Jewett:

Thank you for your comments, I have forwarded your email to Tom Clapper, Chairperson of the Planning committee for review. Please do not hesitate to contact me in the future, if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely:

Dennis Baden
 Assistant General Manager
 Kent State University - Transportation Services

James Jewett
 <jjj@raex.com> To: DENNIS BADEN
 <dbaden@kent.edu>
 cc:
 01/22/2004 06:38 Subject: Re: Airport Plans
 PM

Dennis,

I have lived in the Munroe Falls area a little more than 5 years. My residence is in the River Park Estates which finds itself somewhat close to the end of your runway.

During these years, there have been a number of occasions where it was my perception that a pilot was following unsafe practices. On more than one occasion, you called me at my home to discuss my concerns. And, on each instance, it was my perception that the matter was properly addressed.

In other words, the Kent Airport has shown itself to be a responsible neighbor.

With that thought in mind, I naturally assumed that our good neighbor would

have its consultant contact us if possible expansion plan alternatives might

have an impact on our residence. After all, that is what a RESPONSIBLE consultant does. A responsible consultant checks with both his client and customers (in this case the community).

During last night's informational meeting the following became clear. This consulting team failed to contact:

- * Stow council: A number of Stow council members stood up last night and indicated that they had never been contacted with any of the proposed alternatives.

- * The community: This concern was mirrored by a number of residents of the Stow and Munroe Falls area. I share this concern. I have never been contacted about such plans.

- * Stow Munroe Falls School systems: Reports indicate that key leaders have not been contacted.

Imagine my shock last night when I discovered that two of the alternatives (fortunately tabled at this time) would have taken our house away from us. This is the same house used by my wife and I to raise our three young children.

In other words, one has to wonder about the true benefit analysis of this study. One begins to wonder if the consulting team is more interested with its earnings and the immediate client, period. This, in my opinion, is NOT the representation that Kent State University needs. A responsible neighbor

will take the time to hear its residents complaints "completely" and then choose an action which BEST meets the needs of both the University and community. This does not seem to be the case at this time.

Kent State has an opportunity to salvage this issue. First, the next proposed community meeting should have Board Members present. I am not sure our consulting group can be trusted to report how the public really feels about this issue. Next, it would go far if the public were invited to an OPEN discussion on this topic when the board holds its next board meeting. Finally, the community made it clear that they like their neighbor; they simply hope future plans do not diminish the excellent community which has developed over time.

Thanks for your time,

Respectfully,

James Jewett

02/17/2004 07:21 PM

To: badams@kent.edu
cc:
bcc:
Subject: airport question

Hello Beth Adams,

I have read (most of) the study, and I hope to be able to attend one of your informational meetings this week. I have two questions:

- 1) If the KSU airport is not decommissioned, who will own it, and who will be responsible for running it?
- 2) If the KSU airport is decommissioned, what does KSU plan to do with the land?

Personally, I hope the KSU airport is not decommissioned.

Thanks in advance for your answers.

Margaret Misra

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Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <MisraM@aol.com>
Cc: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2004 7:41 AM
Subject: Airport

Margaret Thank you for your comments regarding the Kent State Airport master plan. Your comments will become a part of the public record.

To your questions. If the airport is not decommissioned Kent State will continue as land owner and airport sponsor.

To your second question, what does Kent State plan to do with the land should the airport be decommissioned. I can not answer that question, I simply have no idea. This has not been considered nor will this type of decision be a part of the Master Plan report. Should closing the airport become the preferred alternative the time frame to implement would stretch over at least a 10 plus year period. Various additional studies would need to be completed, etc.

Again, thank you for the comments and I hope you can attend the public meeting February 18 or 19.

tomclapper

Herman Schwaner

From: "THOMAS CLAPPER" <tclapper@kent.edu>
To: <hschwaner@r-e-l.com>; <dbaden@kent.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2004 7:38 AM
Subject: Please keep the KSU Airport open!

Herman FYI, for the record. tomclapper

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info@airportfriends.org (Friends of the Airport in Stow) To: trustees@kent.edu, tclapper@kent.edu, mayor@stow.oh.us, gauthone@aol.com, cpojim4863@aol.com, John.Wysmierski@ceridian.com, stowchuck@aol.com, Rea44@aol.com, djda@prodigy.net, dsaltis@aol.com, 02/24/2004 11:48 PM katherine.s.jones@faa.gov, rrudolph@dot.state.oh.us, mark.lowdermilk@aopa.org
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The airport is an asset to this community and I hope to see it continue and thrive in the future.

Tom Lowery

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Herman Schwaner

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Please keep the KSU airport open! Not only is it a key airport for the Northeast Ohio aviation community, it is also the home of Kent State University. KSU is identified as a significant player in local aviation and a top school for area pilots seeking airline careers. I land at KSU

airport (1G3) regularly when performing instrument currency flights, due to its proximity to Akron-Canton. Your steadfast support for our local airports is sincerely appreciated!

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Herman Schwaner

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Subject: Please keep the KSU Airport Open!

Herman FYI tjc

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I am very disappointed that the public meetings have apparently been an attempt to stir up anger from the people around the airport simply to justify your desired action of closing the airport and selling the land for millions of dollars. Your number of operations per year is down 40% from approximately 100,000 per year in the 1980's to 60,000 per year now. The consultants best forecast shows you might get 20% of that decline back in 20 years. You admit you are losing money in the school. I'd rest assured there is NO chance of Kent State University allocating the money to lengthen the runways let alone work to have any highways rerouted. So it is clear that the whole intension of your meetings is to raise fear and to get a public mandate to close the airport in Stow. As a private pilot, I resent that tactic. Some Stow city officials have told me that the vast majority of folks in Stow want the airport to stay with or without Kent State University. So please, take your school t

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I am a KSU alumnus, and this says what I think. Do not listen to those who

have come to the airport environment; the airport was here first, and serves a valuable function not only for Stow, but for KSU.

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Herman Schwaner

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Herman FYI tomc

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As a KSU graduate (1998, MS Computer Science), having spent over six years

as a student there, I would be very disappointed in a shortsighted decision to close this airport.

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Herman Schwaner

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Airports such as this are needed and you should be strongly supporting it's

retention instead of closing it.

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Herman Schwaner

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In addition, I took my flight training from Commercial Aviation owned by Al Beckwith and felt I had excellent training at this airport. I am a Kent native and have a soft spot in my heart for Kent State University Airport. Closing this airport would be detrimental to KSU and the surrounding communities. If people don't like the noise of airports, why build or move into a house around them? There are other places to build homes. Please give second thought to closing KSU airport!

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Herman Schwaner

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rid of history and romance of this is airport just not a wise undertaking.

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Herman Schwaner

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Herman For the record. tomclapper

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Cc: Mayor Karen Fritschel, City of Stow
Stow City Council

I like this airport it is very convenient for me to use in my travels,
Closing this airport threatens all of general aviation airports.

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It seems to be a shame that folks can build their homes next to an airport knowing full well it was there and then set about attempting to close it because of noise. Don't let this happen!

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Greetings, I see the threatened closing of any airport a personal assault to my freedom as a private pilot. It slays me to see neighborhoods build around airports and then try to close the airport because of the noise. They knew that it was there when they built their home. Local small airports are a asset to any community. They bring in business, and stimulate growth by virtue of who and what they can bring to the community. Businesspersons, freight, charter, and instruction are just a few of the positive attributes of small airports. Please carefully consider all positive aspects of your airport before you decide.

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By accepting federal grant money in 1998, university officials made a commitment to the public and to the FAA to keep the airport open until the year 2018. Plans to move the flight school to the Portage County Airport should have no bearing on whether the KSU Airport remains open to the public.

Please don't even THINK of closing or moving the airport. It's a useful bit of history

thanks
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As a pilot, I think you should be thankful that you have such a great facility available to your community. It brings significant income to the community and supports countless families with jobs and income. I wish we had a similar facility in our community. You should be supporting it and actively investing in its infrastructure. There are ways to cohabitate with local home owners.

As a suggestion, in order to avoid future noise issues, there should be some type of notification of the airport in the deeds within a certain distance surrounding the airports. This will alleviate many future complaints.

These types of airports are under great pressure around the country. They must be protected from the vocal minority.

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As a pilot who lives and flies in North East Ohio, I am opposed to the closure of Kent State University Airport. Not only is it an important part

of Ohio's aviation history, it, like all other small airports throughout the country, is a vital part of our National Airspace System. The amount of air traffic using the system is growing, and will continue to grow. If anything, we need to be building more new airports and runways. Closing existing airports without replacing them will only lead to trouble. Fewer small airports also means fewer landing sites in the event of an emergency. Closing any airport can potentially lead to a dangerous situation for a pilot in trouble. It's alot easier and safer to put an aircraft down on a 4000' runway than in Target's parking lot.

KSU Airport is an asset to the local community and the University. If the KSU Flight Training Department is moved to Portage Country, what will happen in the future as housing development increases around it? Will it eventually be closed too?

Communities like Kent/Stow benefit from small General Aviation airports, as does the National Airspace System. Please think very hard about the decision to close KSU Airport. Think of the impact to the future of air travel in NE Ohio.

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I am a fairly new pilot.(JUNE 20003). Last year I had a system failure and CAK gave me the option of vectors to them or land at Kent which was much closer. I was extremely grateful that Kent was there. The next day I flew to CT to visit my daughter,(in a C172) confident that the airports on my path of flight would be there if I needed them. We need our airports for the safety of GA flying.

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Stow City Council

Dear Gentlefolk,

I urge you to remember, as you consider the future of your airport, that once this valuable asset is gone, it will never return and will be extremely expensive to replace. Small airports provide ready, rapid transportation to communities that will never be served by the large airlines. This transportation can be very valuable in an emergency such as a natural disaster or a medical emergency for one of your citizens. Another aspect of a community airport often overlooked is that it provides an inviolate "green zone" - a piece of vegetated ground that can never be invaded by high rise housing or polluting industry.. Please consider how much this asset brings to you community and how much it will cost to replace it later if you decide to do away with it today.

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Herman Schwaner

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Sent: Monday, March 15, 2004 7:05 AM
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I support keeping the KSU airport (1G3) open, for public use. While in the process of getting my Private Pilot Certificate (license), I used the KSU airport for training. Later, while getting my Instrument rating we used the KSU airport for practice approaches.

Next, it is my information and belief that the KSU airport has accepted AIP grant money that requires the airport be kept open until about 2018 and this is regardless of what KSU does with its aviation program(s).

While on this subject (location of KSU aviation programs), it seems to me that KSU would have to spend large amounts of money to get the same facilities at 29G, and that this would be at a greater distance from the KSU campus than 1G3 is.

Two other things that neighbors of the airport should consider: (a) The airport was there *before* most of the homes in the area were - now you

have a problem with aircraft noise?. (b) Widening the runway only makes for safer landings by students and out of practice pilots.

Thank you for allowing me to make my opinions known.

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year 2018. Plans to move the flight school to the Portage County Airport should have no bearing on whether the KSU Airport remains open to the public.

I live in Alabama and my only connection to Kent State is Daniel Webster Nagle, a KS grad and an old WWII army buddy but I sincerely hope you won't close the airport.

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I am very pleased that some positive feedback will be forwarded to those in charge of our airport. I attended the first two meetings at Stow City Hall and was so frustrated and angry that a few people from Pambi Farms who built their homes next to an airport runway were upset about air traffic. The vast majority of Stow residents are friends of the airport and have the highest respect for the safety record of the Kent State flight program. We wish to see it continue as it is with the runway widened for safety. I will be attending the meeting on the 23rd and hope that Mr. Clapper will be there to see and hear the majority view and not just a few complainers who

have only themselves to blame for their situation. I only hope there is enough time left for our positive voices to be heard before a decision is made by the university. We have been airport neighbors for thirty years and would not change a thing.

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In the interest of aviation and the future of aviation, please carefully all your options before deciding to close KSU airport. Current generations as well as future ones with thank you a thousand fold

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I believe that the airport was there long before most of us. The people that are yelling the loudest knew of the airport but built anyway. It is a beautiful piece of property that i would much rather look at than a bunch of commercial buildings. I would benefit by it being moved, as there would be more homes to build, but I think the Airport is a big part of our community, and has always been a good neighbor

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Stow City Council

I would like to voice my support for keeping the KSU Airport in Stow. I have lived in this community my entire life and to allow a landmark such as this to move based on the complaints of a vocal minority is nothing short of a crime.

I have seen nothing of value for replacing the airport and to blatantly shut down a business in these tough times is nothing short of insanity.

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I have never seen a community attempt to have an off ramp from an expressway closed so traffic could not get to their merchants.

Yet this is exactly what closing an airport does.

Why can't otherwise intelligent people see this?

Pretend that it is 30 years from now and you want to have an airport. Where would you put it? Not where it is now because that space will be filled with houses. Keep your airport open.

When you close one airport, you do irreversible damage to the entire infrastructure of aviation and therefore to commerce as a whole. Keep your airport open.

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We have lived in Stow for about 19 years. We bought our house on Baird Rd. knowing that there was an airport on Rt. 59 at the end of the street. Our house is at the end of the route that the student pilots use for their touch-and-go landing practice, so we get a lot of fly-overs. We do not mind the momentary inconvenience and noise. We do enjoy the Stow Fly Days and other festivals which use the airport. It is also interesting to see the air ships (blimps) which dock at the facility. The infrequent jet landing and take-off can be annoying, but it is kind of neat to watch them fly by. We hope that the airport will stay here. This is a good use of the land. We don't want to think of what the land might be used for if the airport was to close. Rick and Peg Hertle

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I don't live in Stow and my only interaction with the airport is during my job on a local EMS (Emergency Medical Services) helicopter based in Cleveland. I only work there part-time (as a Paramedic) but in this time we have utilized Kent airport for enroute refueling. I just wanted to pass along this information as it might not be known that the airport also serves as a very handy fuel stop. Usually this happens when we are enroute from finishing up a flight and are dispatched for another patient. We are able to utilize Kent for refueling and this was most useful as it allows us to rapidly respond to a request for a person in medical distress.

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SAVE THE AIRPORT! Don't shut it down for more million dollar homes!

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As a resident of Stow I would prefer to have the airport remain and continue to operate as a General Aviation airport rather than have the property turned into houses, strip malls and 'light industry'. The increase in population and the traffic accompanying more houses would bring about a lowering of the quality of life to Stow and the surrounding communities. One only has to drive down Commerce Road to see how many 'light industry' business have left the area. Since I moved into Stow to practice medicine in 1991, I have noticed a decrease in the quality of life due to the increase in traffic along the major roads that cross through Stow. Despite the increase in population of Stow, I have not seen any improvement in services that I would expect to see with the increase in tax revenue. The traffic along Graham Road, Kent Road, Darrow Road and Fishcreek Road has made it impossible to safely ride my bicycle from one bike path to another. My house is in the Willowdale development

that backs up to Darrow Road. The airplanes that land on Runway 1 (one) at Kent State airport follow Darrow Road South to the airport. The noise that they create is drowned out by the noise that is generated by the traffic on Darrow Road. The volume of traffic and the speeds that they drive at, is such that at times during the day it is difficult to safely exit my development and for my patients to leave my former office (at 4465 Darrow Road). I have been woken at night by cars on Darrow Road playing their radios at obscenely loud levels, never by an airplane en-route to the airport. Adding more houses at the site of the airport will not improve this situation. Keeping the space open, as a public use airport will provide a buffer zone between the residential and business areas of Kent Road.

As a pilot who uses Kent State Airport, I would like to see the airport brought up to current standards of safety. This improvement to the physical plant of the airport as well as the excellent training that the pilots receive from the KSU aviation program will help keep the airport the safest in the state and a good neighbor to the people of Stow.

On a person note, I go to the airport at various times of the day and evening to enjoy to peace and quiet that it offers when the operations are at a lull. The view of the sky and the countryside from the bench that is available at the bus stop at the airport is truly a gift that the residents of Stow need to experience before it is lost to unchecked development in Stow.

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As you decide about the KSU airport, there is one simple thing that I feel gets overlooked, and that is the economic impact. Look at any airport, small or large, and you'll typically find businesses that are related to the airport. Now imagine those gone, and you can truly see the impact of the airports decline. Many people complain about airports that are clearly there prior to their involvement. They clearly should have considered the issue before they decided to be in the airports proximity. Maybe all small airports can't survive, but clearly the ones that do will prosper from the other displaced airport patrons. Thank you for your time, and KEEP THE AIRPORT!

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I am an alumni of the Kent State flight program, and currently employed as a airline pilot with Expressjet Airlines. I am writing to show my full support of the flight program, and the continued operation of the Kent State Airport. This facility has proven it is a viable part of the community by producing corporate, airline and military pilots. Furthermore, let us not forget Aviation Day. This event is attended by thousands every year, and it is a good indication of how important this airport is to the community. Let us not lose an important part of the community because of a bitter few who decided to build near an airport.

Please stand strong in this fight, and know that many pilots (taxpayers, voters and alumni) are behind saving this airport.

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Dr Creamer

Thank You for taking the time to be with "The KSU Airport Friends" and listen to the Presentation on the Alternative relating to the future of the Airport.

I'm sorry you could not stay for the question, answer and comment period.

This lasted another hour and the messages received were very positive as it related to:

The airport staying in operation in Stow.

That the current runway length is satisfactory for the future of the KSU Flight School.

The Flight will continue to make efforts to be a good neighbor.

The addition of a Business and Research Center is a better alternate than Residential Housing, Shopping Center or Heavy Industrial Development.

This alternate is considered favorable as a result of:

Income from Land Value adjacent to the Runway
 (Leased or Sold)

Traffic from a Business and Research Center is normally ONLY heavy in the Morning and end of work day (5 days per week).

Quiet on the weekends and Holidays

Revenue from Payroll taxes to the City of Stow.

Professional Employment for Professional living in Stow and other local Communities.

An opportunity to declare the airport as an Historical Site.

Two members of Stow City Council were present and had positive comments relative to their personal desire to have the airport continue in Stow.

The Pambi Farms Homeowners WERE NOT complaining about the airport and do prefer that it continues to operate with the current runway length.

Again the improvements to the airport include:

Runway Safety:

Widen to 75 ft from 60 ft and/or Terrace the East side level with the Runway for at least 50 ft.

Automatic Weather Reporting

Reasonable Long Term Leases for office and Hangars be granted to current Fixed Base Operators.

Thank You for taking the above into consideration and again for your participation at the meeting last night.

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I've been a resident of Stow since 1979. I live just five streets from the airport in a house on Seneca street bought in 1985. I plan to make this same home my retirement home. I am an employee of KSU since 1981 where I did my work for my Master's Degree.

Since KSU is all about education, I am hoping that those who will make this decision will make an educated decision. A decision based on true facts, long range vision, and integrity. According to the grant money that was received years ago, KSU is supposed to keep the airport open until 2018. KSU should honor that original commitment. Please make it a win-win decision for KSU and Stow.

The airport is safe. It is an historical site. It provides community services, flight school, and flight rescue services. Besides that it is "cool" according to the youngsters.

If people recently built homes in the "buffer" zone, what did they expect? The flight path of the planes has not changed. Shame on the realtors and developers if they were using smoke screen tactics in order to make money.

Please do not listen to those few voices who just happen to make a lot of noise with emotion and mis-information.

Please do not let the realtors and developers do more damage by stealing away this beautiful, beneficial site.

Keep the KSU airport in Stow open.
Thank you.

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As an alumnus of Kent State University and a resident of Seneca Street (5 blocks from the airport) I fully support the continuation of the airport "expansion" and find no problem with air traffic overhead! Go Flashes!

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I had trouble sleeping last night. Something kept waking me up. Finally I climbed out of bed to see what was going on. It turns out the noise was a car outside my window with its engine running. It was a nice night, so I took a walk. As I was walking I noticed an airplane flying rather low to the ground. I figured it was landing at Kent. I tried real hard, but I never did hear the engine.

A few years ago, I lived in Stow. My apartment was underneath the traffic pattern for the northern runway at Kent State airport. I hated that apartment. Every night at the same time I was awakened by a train going through Kent. If that wasn't enough, I had to leave 10 minutes early for school just in case the train was going through town. Occasionally I would do some running on fishcreek towards the Stow high school. That is the base leg for the northern runway at Kent. Honestly, I could hear the airplanes flying above. They, however, were nothing compared to that train I heard every night. The trains really bothered me. I moved out of Stow and have lived in Cuyahoga Falls ever since.

I guess what I'm trying to say is: instead of closing the airport, you should stop allowing trains to go through town. In addition, cars should not be allowed to have their motor running after sunset. Does that sound ridiculous? Well, I think closing the airport sounds ridiculous. While we are on the subject of ridiculous, I graduated from the flight program at Kent. Currently, I am up to my neck in student loans from all those flight fees and raised tuition. When I started school at Kent 3 years ago, I thought the campus was disgusting. In the past year, I will say it looks a lot better. However, the airport is still a dump. I am a flight instructor at the airport now. I have students who drive down the street to use the restroom because the airport's facilities are so nasty. They are not dirty by any means; the staff does an excellent job of maintaining them. There is not much to work with though. Back to the ridiculous subject, I think it's ridiculous that the students paying the most for their education (flight students) have the WORST facilities. I guess its because there is no money to for improvements.

I work long hours at the airport. It's how I make a living. I only wish I had the money to build an expensive house next to an airport that had been there for years. I wonder what I will do if the airport closes. I will be out of a job. The airline industry is not all that good right now. I do not have the experience to get an airline job yet anyway. There are not many jobs for flight instructors either. Maybe I will have to give up what I worked so hard for and take on a new field. Maybe I should give up what I love doing so a man with more money than I'll ever see can have the perfect life. I remember when I first visited the University. They told my tour group that the University worked hard to find jobs for their graduates. I was torn between two schools at the time. I think that was what finally made me choose Kent. So why is the University trying to take my job from me? Since they didn't hold up their end of the bargain, does that mean they will pay off the \$70 thousand in student loans I owe?

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Last night, I went to the Friends of Stow Airport meeting. One of the Pambi residents mentioned that he worked at Roses Run country club and he asked his neighbors and the golfers how they felt about the airport. I don't know how many people he asked but he said only one complained. Other than the C.A.F.E. Group(Sergio Sponza and Bill Brunsdon), how many other people are complaining about the noise?

Why can't the city and Kent State agree to find a way to make the airport work? Why is closing the airport so important?

Finally, lets tell the truth. What is really going on? Is there already an agreement to sell the airport or is that off the table because the money from the sale will end up at the Portage County Airport instead at Kent State University? Did Stow allow Pambi to be built because they thought the airport was going to close? Some of those homes were built after 2000. What's up with that?

Level with us. Please. If you want it to close I want to hear that. If not find a way to keep it open.

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I support the effort being made to keep the KSU open and operating. People who bought or built houses around the airport had to be aware that the airport was there. It's like moving in over a bowling alley then complaining about the noise!!!

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I am a local commercial roofing contractor that uses Kent State University Airport, frequently. We use the services and runway for doing aerial flights over Cleveland, Akron, and the local area in our business operations. We use aircraft and infrared technology to view heat loss and leak areas on flat roofs to save the local businesses, schools, that have large roof areas a tremendous amount of money in cost savings of repairing the roofs, instead of having to replace these roofs prematurely. Large flat roofs with steel decks have channels that allows water to travel as little as 10 feet, to as much as 100 feet away from the actual hole in the roof.

To lose the services, availability, and the convenience of the local airport would cost the local community thousands per year in additional costs of having to travel to Wadsworth where my plane is hangared. If anything, more privately owned hangar space would be a boon to the local community as there are many aircraft owners and pilots that travel to other towns and cities and pay taxes and costs there instead of here.

Keep the airport, once it is gone it will NEVER BE ABLE TO RETURN because of the cost of building new.

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I would like to say that I am for airport expansion. Kent State uses the airport as a teaching tool for students that are pursuing a career in the aviation field.

I am disappointed at the fact that a few people can disrupt the goals and aspirations of many.

I am also disappointed that the greedy aspirations of one or more persons can disrupt the expansion of commerce in Stow and any other town in America.

I would like to reiterate the statement that I made at the last KSU Airport meeting. Who allows housing developments to be put up next to business parks or modes of transportation? Stow is not the only town that does this and it should be prevented in the future.

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IMPORTANT DOCUMENT

Kent State Airport's Future

Please advise me the status of the selected "Alternative" being recommended to the provost and KSU Trustees.

Further work has been done on the development of a Business and Research Park on the Property West of the Airport Runway.

The layout can possibly be extended to 190 acres and produce an income between \$250,000. to \$500,000./yr.

These economics need to be included in the Alternative "To Keep The Airport in Stow"

- 3950 ft current Runway

- Widen Runway by 75 ft

- Terrace the East side of the Runway by 50 ft.

- Install Automatic Weather Reporting Service

- Provide reasonable Leases to encourage construction of offices, Terminal and Hangers (This will further improve the Income to the Airport

Thank You for your cooperation in this matter.

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Cc: Mayor Karen Fritschel, City of Stow
Stow City Council

I moved to Munroe Falls in 1985 to be close to Kent State Airport. I keep my plane there. Closing the airport will leave a void that will affect everyone. A hundred or so homes will put more demands on the surrounding areas, more traffic, utility demands, etc.

The wooded area west of the airport extending to Munroe Falls will disappear possibly replaced by more \$250k houses displacing hundreds of wildlife. Folks from this area will have to leave the city to find a similar wooded area. Why can't this area be LEFT ALONE. There are MORE FOLKS THAT WANT THE AIRPORT THAN DON'T. Why would Kent State leave a rent-free facility for one they will pay for and lose control of? Portage County Airport has been open since the early 70's and has a much worse safety record.

Once the airport is gone the area will be without and with little chance of

replacement. This country was not founded on the dollar. Lets not destroy it or its resources like Kent State Airport for the sake of the almighty dollar. Thank You !

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I wish to announce my support for keeping the Kent State University Airport open as a public-use airport. In addition to providing a valuable service to the community, the airport is historically significant. Established in 1917, it is the oldest continuously-operating airport in the State of Ohio. The importance of this facility has been proven throughout its history.

The airport was used for testing of the dirigible and blimps in the 1920s, including the "Macon" and the "Shenandoah". The airport was also used for World War I and World War II pilot training.

By accepting federal grant money in 1998, university officials made a commitment to the public and to the FAA to keep the airport open until the

year 2018. Plans to move the flight school to the Portage County Airport should have no bearing on whether the KSU Airport remains open to the public.

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Hi,

One of the reasons I moved from Stow is Stow is losing the unique personality that brought me there in 1979. There has been too much development there. The airport is the last gem in the sand and if that is gone, Stow has nothing to offer but being another bedroom community. Stow cannot even keep its existing commercial shopping center with tenants.[Stow Kent].

Now in this week's Stow Sentry, Stow can't afford the police and fire depts overtime and Karen Fritschel says they should hire more people. That would cost more with benefits, etc. taken into consideration. Yeah right, just what you need, more commercial development and houses. You can't protect

what you have.

As for the dissenting neighbors, YOU KNEW THE AIRPORT WAS THERE WHEN YOU BOUGHT YOUR PROPERTY. "LIVE WITH IT".

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Good Morning,

I would like to take this opportunity to convey some of my thoughts about this issue!! I am an 18yr resident of Munroe Falls, and I have lived here in the area for over 25 yrs!! I enjoy having the airport here!! It is a nice, well kept facility and the kids and adults in my neighborhood enjoy seeing the different airplanes and blimps that have come and gone over the years!! The people that moved into all these developments, knew so before they moved there!! That is no excuse now for putting down or away something that has been here, possibly longer than most of them!! It has brought in people for business meetings for local industry, parks, concerts and other activities!!! The annual Aviation Day brings many people to watch planes flying, take airplane rides and helicopter rides, not to mention

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watching the hotair balloons, and the other events it brings with it!!
These are all events that bring people to our area!! I hope in your
decisions you will look at all of these things!!

Thanks your for listening,
A friend for Stow and Munroe Falls,

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04/14/2004 05:27 PM
Please respond to tom

To: Katherine S Jones/AGL/FAA@FAA
cc:
Subject: KSU Airport Closing

Dear Ms. Jones,

The Kent State newspaper has reported that the university plans to close its airport in Stow (1G3) as a result of its current Master Plan.

It is my sincere hope that you will not allow this to happen. 1G3 is federally obligated. KSU last accepted federal dollars in 1998. My understanding is that airports are committed to staying open for 20 years after accepting grant funds.

In addition to the university's obligation to the aviation community, 1G3 is historically significant. The airport was built in 1917 and served in WWI and WWII by training fighter pilots. Notable aviators such as Eddie Rickenbacker have flown out of the airport.

Stow Mayor Karen Fritschel and the Stow City Council have gone on the record that a vast majority of Stow residents favor the airport staying. There are a few people who recently built million dollar homes just off the end of the runway who are now complaining. These people do not represent the majority!

Again, it is my hope that the FAA will hold the university to its obligation to keep the airport open at least until 2018.

Thank you.
Tom Lowery
Stow Resident and Pilot

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To Dave

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Tom
Chapman

Friday, May 14, 2004

Ms. Carol Cartwright, President
Office of the President
Kent State University
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Dear Ms. Cartwright,

I have observed with interest the events surrounding the future disposition of the KSU Airport. I am an aircraft owner and pilot residing in the greater Akron area for over 25 years. In the early 1980's my own aircraft was based at KSU when it was more geographically suitable for my needs. Smaller aircraft, whether used for business or pleasure are time-saving travel machines. The amount of time saved by flying is directly impacted by the convenience of an airport to its end users, whether it is their departure or destination point.

I have read the accounts in the newspapers (including the KSU publication), and I have also read the letter recently sent to you by the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. This leads me to believe that I understand many of the issues at hand.

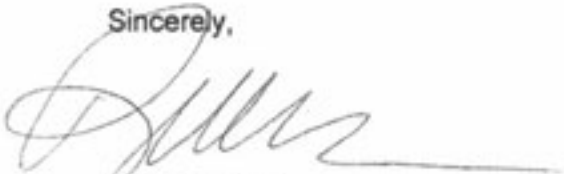
As a long-time developer of commercial real estate, I can speak with some authority as to the difficulties encountered in gaining all the necessary approvals for developing larger tracts of land. Even for rather benign commercial uses, finding a properly located larger land parcel and then clearing all the bureaucratic hurdles of pre-development can be a daunting task in today's environment. An existing airport, no matter its size, is a valuable community asset that once lost is logistically next to impossible to replace. The task of finding an acceptable, convenient location and then gaining the approvals to develop a new airport within feasible economic guidelines is practically insurmountable. As a non-aviation comparison, imagine the impact of closing SR 43 and then forcing all traffic into Kent via alternate routes. Not only would the traffic flow be less efficient, but it undoubtedly, would give rise to complaints from those living along the replacement routes who would find the increased traffic volumes very undesirable. And can you imagine the time line and cost to design, secure the land, engineer, and build an appropriate replacement route for a major artery such as SR 43? Now imagine the task of replacing an airport which would be a substantially more difficult undertaking. For that reason alone, we cannot arbitrarily view these physical assets as "disposable".

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The potential loss of the KSU Airport will also serve to transfer its nearly 200 daily operations to other nearby airport facilities. This may ultimately give rise to safety, capacity, and noise issues at those other airports as the air traffic suddenly increases. Notwithstanding, complaints from residential neighbors of an airport must be taken in context. I am completely confident that the KSU Airport existed long prior to the development of many of the homes whose owners are now the source of complaints. To move in proximity to a long-existing airport and then complain about air traffic is tantamount to buying an oceanfront home and then complaining that the salt air corrodes the home's metal hardware. The issue is obvious and should be known and considered in advance of making the decision to purchase.

I do concur with AOPA in stating no opposition if the University wishes to relocate its aviation education programs to another facility. At the same time, I must encourage you to take all necessary measures to maintain the existence of this valuable and irreplaceable airport facility even with its current runway dimensions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert Wilson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert Wilson

cc: AOPA