

MEETING MINUTES
GERALD R. FORD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD
Gerald R. Ford International Airport, International Room
5500 44th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI, 49512
Wednesday March 25, 2026

A quorum being present, and in accordance with notice being duly given, Chair Koorndyk called the meeting of the Authority Board to order on March 25, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

Chair Koorndyk welcomed everyone and asked for Board Member attendance by roll call:

Board Present: Mike Verhulst, Doug Small, Birgit Klohs, Pete Beukema, Dan Burrill, Jennifer Merchant, Dan Koorndyk – 7

Staff Present: Tory Richardson – President and CEO
Alex Peric – Vice President and COO
Maria Kim – Chief Financial Officer
Carlos Ruiz – Chief Commercial Officer
Heather Day – Chief Administration Officer
Haley Meyer – Executive Assistant
Ashley Thorsen – Operations Director
Matt Zeilstra – Controller
Chris King-Dye – Maintenance and Asset Management Director
Jon Couchenour – IT Support Analyst
Laura Cronk – Badging Office Specialist
AJ Nye – Procurement Specialist
Derrick Grinnell – Chief Firefighter
Heidi Groenboom – Communication and Events Supervisor

Others Present: Mary Kay Shaver (Varnum), Shawn Hardy (TPG), Paul Swanson (CS Erickson), Nick Patterson (RS&H), Mark Breukink (Mead & Hunt), Corey Drews (TPG), Jack Stidham (ECP), Jackie Foss (ECP), Bryan Houck (ECP), Chad Hutchinson (ECP), John Oliver

3-1 Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Mr. Burrill supported by Mr. Verhulst the approval of the agenda.

3-2 Public Comment

No public comment.

3-3 Special Presentation

Chair Koorndyk invited Carlos Ruiz, Chief Commercial Officer, to introduce the Authority's marketing partners, Extra Credit Projects. Bryan Houck then presented on the marketing awards earned by his team.

3-4 Consent Agenda

a) Approval of Authority Board Minutes – February 24, 2026

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

b) Scorecard: 2025 Year-end Results and 2026 Targets

c) Reports

- Project/Construction Report
- Public Safety and Operations Report
- Maintenance and Asset Management Report
- Media Report

Motion by Mr. Small supported by Mr. Beukema, the approval of consent agenda items a – c.

Motion carried.

3-5 President and CEO Report

Mr. Richardson reviewed the CEO report, and Mrs. Kim provided an overview of the 2025 Scorecard year-end results and 2026 targets.


3-6 Other Business

Mr. Richardson mentioned that the Authority is collecting donations for TSA. A drop box will be located at the TSA pre-security area, and gift cards to select gas stations, grocery stores, and restaurants will be accepted.

3-7 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

APPROVAL:



Birgit Klohs, Secretary to the Board

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