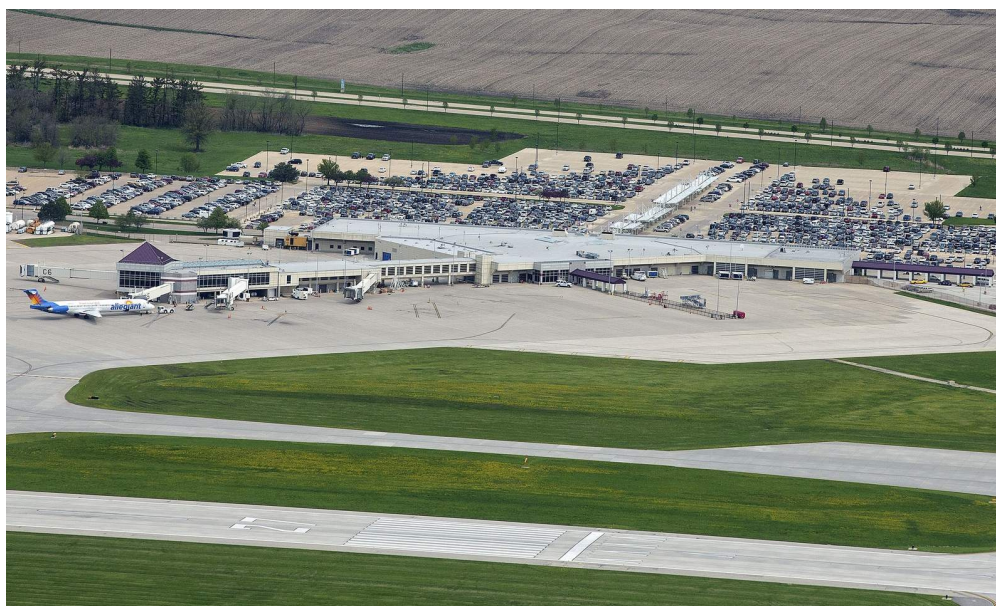


Eastern Iowa Airport commission elects new officers

Three former chairmen bring experience to panel



The Eastern Iowa Airport and Don Canney Terminal in an aerial photograph in Cedar Rapids on Wednesday, May 14, 2014. (Stephen Mally/The Gazette-KCRG TV9)



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The Cedar Rapids Airport Commission, which operates The Eastern Iowa Airport, has elected new leadership.

Marcia Rogers, who joined the commission in July 2014, was elected chairman. Rogers is a partner with Political Bring, a Corridor company that provides campaign strategy services.

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Rogers said the commission is committed to implementing a recently completed strategic plan with Airport Director Marty Lenss and his staff.

“We have integrated the strategic plan into everything we are doing,” Rogers said. “The goals of the strategic plan will be front and center during my time as chair of the commission. We will be addressing them and making sure we are staying on target because we believe in them.

“We are stewards of the airport for the Corridor community to make sure it operates in the best possible way.”

David Yeoman, senior director of enterprise communications and advertising at Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids, was elected vice chairman of the commission. Yeoman was appointed to the panel in June 2015.

Carroll Reasoner, University of Iowa vice president for legal affairs and general counsel, was elected secretary of the five-member panel. Reasoner served as chairwoman of the commission from 2011 to 2014.

Josh Schamberger, president and CEO of the Iowa City/Coralville Convention & Visitors Bureau, was elected acting secretary of the commission. Schamberger served as airport commission chairman from 2014 to 2015.

Pat Baird, former president and CEO of AEGON USA, now Transamerica, is immediate past chairman of the commission. Baird was chairman from 2015 to 2016.

The Cedar Rapids City Council on June 28 approved Mayor Ron Corbett’s reappointments of Reasoner and Rogers to the airport commission. Their terms will conclude on June 30, 2019.

The commissioners are appointed from throughout the Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Corridor. The regional airport is owned by the city of Cedar Rapids, but does not receive any city or Linn County property tax revenue.

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