

**Special Meeting of the  
Redwood Region Economic Development Commission  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
Monday, March 19, 2012  
9:00 a.m.  
Minutes**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Mike Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Present: Julie Fulkerson, Mike Losey, Mark Lovelace, Mike Newman, Bruce Rupp, Mike Wilson

Absent: none

Guests: Emily Jacobs, Program Coordinator, *Humboldt County Aviation Division of Public Works*, Tom Mattson, Director, *Humboldt County Public Works*, Fifth District Supervisor Ryan Sundberg, Megan Hansen, *Eureka Times Standard*

Staff Present: Virginia Fisher, Bonnie Smoller

**II. Approval of agenda for March 19, 2012 and executive minutes of Jan. 23, 2012**

**M/S/P: Rupp/Lovelace to approve March 19, 2012 agenda and minutes of January 23, 2012.**

**III. Public Input** – for non agenda items

None

**IV. Old Business**

None

**V. New Business**

A. Authorization for RREDC to Manage the Airline Revenue Guarantee Contract with American Airlines for Service from Arcata/Eureka to LAX: American Airlines/American Eagle is interested in offering service from Arcata/Eureka airport to Los Angeles International. They request a two-year 1 million dollar guarantee from the County of Humboldt, that would let them recover losses on flights below capacity.

FAA rules prevent the County Aviation Division from directly managing a contract with American Airlines. RREDC is being considered as a third-party agency that could execute the contract with American and manage the revenue guarantee.

RREDC staff was directed to read the contract and bring questions to the executive committee before the regularly scheduled meeting on March 26.

**M/S/P: Rupp/Fulkerson: Motion to move ahead with exploration of the roll of RREDC subsequent to findings of details of the contract; in particular, how the formula for monthly reconciliation of financial draws by American Airlines/American Eagle would be determined.** Motion passed unanimously.

**VII. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.