

**THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 22, 2026**

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The England Economic and Industrial Development District met in Regular Session in the England Airpark Board Room, 1611 Arnold Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana, on **Thursday, January 22, 2026**.

Mr. Oday Lavergne, Chair of the England Authority, called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m.

The England Economic and Industrial Development District was duly convened as the governing authority of said District by Mr. Oday Lavergne, Chair, who stated that the England Economic and Industrial Development District was ready for the transaction of business.

**Present:** Chair, Mr. Oday Lavergne, Vice-Chair, Mr. Jamar Gales, Secretary/Treasurer, Mr. Steve Mansour, Mr. Trey Crump, Mr. Joshua Dara, Sr., Mr. Myron Lawson, Jr., Mr. Joe McPherson, Mr. Patrick O'Quin and Mr. Zeb Winstead.

**Absent:** Mr. Charlie Weems

The invocation was led by Mr. Joshua Dara, Sr., and the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Oday Lavergne.

Also present were members of the England Authority staff: Mr. Ralph Hennessy, Executive Director, Mr. David Broussard, Deputy Director of Airpark, Mr. Scott Gammel, Director of Aviation, Summer Steiner, Director of Finance and Human Resources, and Mr. Matt Nowlin, Legal Counsel.

Chair, Mr. Oday Lavergne, asked if there were any public comments or questions. Hearing none, Mr. Lavergne proceeded with the action items.

**MOTION BY CONSENT TO APPROVE ACTIVE ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, AND 8.**

Motion by **Mr. Steve Mansour**, second by **Mr. Myron Lawson, Jr.**, consent to approve active items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8.

On vote, motion carried.

**MOTION TO ADOPT BUDGET AMENDMENT #2 TO THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET BY RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE.**

Motion by **Mr. Jamar Gales**, Second by **Mr. Zeb Winstead**, to adopt Budget Amendment #2 to the fiscal year budget by recommendation of Finance/Audit Committee.

**MOTION TO TABLE ACTIVE ITEM NO. 7 TO FEBRUARY MEETING.**

Motion by Mr. Zeb Winstead, Second by Mr. Jamar Gales to table Active Item no. 7 to February meeting.

On vote, motion carried.

Comments by Legal Counsel: In the works to provide in-service training for the Commissioners, including Roberts Rules of Order and parliamentary procedure.

Comments or Questions by Commissioners: Presentation of plaques to Mr. Zeb Winstead, Mr. Jamar Gales and Mr. Oday Lavergne for their service on the 2025 Board.

Comments by Executive Director: ACI Marcom Marketing Communications Conference award, Excellence in Airport Marketing Communications, Customer Experience Award.

Staff Reports:

Financial: Revenues are 8% percent above budget; Expenses are 4% below budget.

Air Traffic: Year-end total for enplanements was up 48%; Airport operations are up 30%; Fuel sales hit new record of 9 million gallons.

Economic Development/Operations: Russ Bloom with Bloom Golf Management will be present at February meeting; Email detailing new system, membership cards, how to play other courses, and point system (will email to Commissioners); Existing employees received offers to retain positions; Possible new leases for LaSalle/ICE to be presented at February meeting.

**MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY, RATING, AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. LA. R.S. 42:17(A)(1).**

Motion by Mr. Jamar Gales, Second by Mr. Zeb Winstead, to enter into Executive Session for discussion of character, professional competency, rating, and performance evaluation of Executive Director. La. R.S. 42:17(A)(1).

Entered into Executive Session at 6:06 p.m.

Meandered out of Executive Session at 6:21 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

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**Oday Lavergne, Chair**

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**Steve Mansour, Secretary/Treasurer**

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