



# Consultative Committee

## Minutes

**Date:** April 15, 2014

**Location:** Conference Call

**Chair:** Toby Lennox, Vice President Strategy Development and Stakeholder Relations

**Attendees:** Badar R. Shamim, Brampton Board of Trade  
Damian Albanese, Region of Peel  
Kathy Weiss, Region of Durham  
Jan Nevins, Mississauga Board of Trade  
Stephen Tufts, Brampton-Mississauga & District Labour Council  
Heather Craig-Peddie, ACTA Ontario  
Chris Rickett, Region of York  
Neil Bunn, City of Brampton Resident

**Regrets:** Josh Matlow, Councillor, City of Toronto  
Chris Fonseca, Councillor, City of Mississauga  
Vincent Crisanti, Councillor, City of Toronto  
Suresh Thakrar, City of Mississauga Resident  
Fr. Nicholas Alexandris, City of Toronto Resident

**Resource Members:** Harold Dremin, City of Mississauga  
Shipra Vyas, Ministry of Tourism  
GTAA: Lorrie McKee, Keith Medenblik. Aleem Kanji

**Resource Members Absent:** Bill Devlin, National Airlines Council of Canada  
Jeff Baines, City of Brampton  
Paul Steckham, Ministry of Transportation  
Pamela Laite, Tourism Toronto  
Sam Ghobrial, NAV Canada

Item	Details
<b>1.0</b>	<b>DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>
<b>1.1</b>	<b>90 Day Weather Review – Conference Call</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• T. Lennox invited CC Members to hear the results of the 90 day Weather Review via conference call.</li><li>• As a result of the review, twelve recommendations were made which were categorized in three areas,<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Toronto Pearson to be far better prepared for irregular operations.</li><li>○ Spend more time on issues of communication and internal</li></ul></li></ul>

communication with respect to arriving passengers.

- Provide improved amenities and services to passengers at Toronto Pearson.
- The report is available on website and can be found [here](#)
- J. Nevins inquired if Toronto Pearson had an emergency response plan for extreme heat or a severe lightning storm. T. Lennox responded the GTAA has always had an emergency response plan with Transport Canada in order to maintain an operator's license. It is broken into categories which includes lightning storms, winter events and in the extreme heat of the summer months as the apron can become very hot.
- S. Tufts noted many of the recommendations in the report are under the purview of the GTAA. Will the airlines be taking some responsibility for the wellbeing of their passengers. T. Lennox responded that the GTAA wanted to ensure it could make improvements to many of these areas but some of the recommendations do speak to the partners, and the GTAA is working together with Air Canada, WestJet and the ground handlers.
- S. Tufts commented he has spoken to many of the Toronto Pearson employees and the 90 day review recommendations have been broadly supported by all union workers.
- D. Albanese inquired what was the dominant factor that caused the ground stop at Toronto Pearson. T. Lennox responded it was a combination of weather events that took place over the course of several days that caused airline schedules to be disrupted. Toronto Pearson was also accepting diversions from other airports.

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**2.0 ADJOURNMENT: Next CC Meeting: May 29, 2014** at 4:00 p.m. GTAA Administration Building, 3111 Convairst Drive, Pearson Rooms A & B.

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