

Eugene F. Correia International Airport
Runway Safety Team Meeting
April 16, 2026

Present were: -

- ✓ Mr. Wayne Farley Safety and Compliance Manager, OAI
- ✓ Mr. Philip Lynch Airport Manager, OAI
- ✓ Mr. Karran Bissessar Maintenance/ Project Manager, OAI
- ✓ Mr. Uditt Stoll Environmental Officer, OAI
- ✓ Mr. Aubrey Knights Chief of Security, OAI
- ✓ Mr. Tameshwar Nanhu Maintenance Officer, OAI
- ✓ Mr. Shukracharia Shalim Quality & Safety Manager, CAMS
- ✓ Mr. Kelvin Walker Quality & Safety Supervisor, CAMS
- ✓ Ms. Malkia Troyer QHSE Technician, OMNI
- ✓ Mr. Raymond Khan Safety Manager, OMNI
- ✓ Mr. David Low ANS Inspector, GCAA
- ✓ Mr. Jeffrey Braitwaite AGA Chief Inspector, GCAA
- ✓ Mr. Ronald Kissoon Unit Chief- OGLE, GCAA
- ✓ Mr. Courtney Frank ANS Safety Coordinator, GCAA
- ✓ Mr. Ramdayal Ramjit Safety Manager, TGA
- ✓ Mr. Sachin Sharma Quality Manager, ASL
- ✓ Mr. Beuford Clarke Station Officer, ARFF

The meeting was called to order at 14:15 hrs.

Mr. Farley welcomed all to the meeting and stated that this meeting will probably be the most consequential one in the wake of the recent runway excursion involving a TransGuyana Beech 1900 aircraft.

Remarks from Airport Manager

Mr. Philip Lynch reported on the Beech 1900 runway excursion that occurred on April 14 around sunset. The TransGuyana Airways struck a capybara upon landing which resulted in the landing gear collapsing and the subsequent excursion. He reported on an emergency meeting that was held on April 15 with all the operators to highlight the immediate mitigation measures that will be put in place.

The measures include rangers that will be stationed along the runway shoulders prior to sunset to look out for wildlife, cutting down large trees on the aerodrome and repairing the perimeter fence.

Remarks from GCAA Representative

GCAA's representative, Mr. Jeffery Braitwaite reflected on the Beech 1900 runway excursion advised that OAI review the aerodrome wildlife management plan with the aim of improving the measures if needed.

Update on Airport Projects

Mr. Bissessar reported on planned projects related to the mitigation of wildlife hazards:

- Rangers stationed along the runway shoulders
- Repairs and construction of new fencing around the aerodrome
- Vegetation control

Hazards

Readback of Clearances

Mr. David Low reported on the readback of clearance that are issued to ground personnel, stating the importance although there was a slight improvement since the last meeting.

Movement on International Apron

Mr. Kissoon reported on the movement of ground staff and passengers between the old and new aprons. He stated that the movements cross an active taxiway. He suggested that Taxiway A be closed when aircraft are parked on the new portion of the apron.

Walking on Taxiway C

The instances of airport employees walking along Taxiway C without authorization has reduced but remains an issue. Warning signs were mounted along the taxiway to assist in curbing the infractions.

Cameras for blind spots

Mr. Aubrey Knights reported that works are being undertaken to restore surveillance camera coverage along Taxiway C.

Hangar Road

Ms. Troyer reported on the parking of vehicles along the Hangar road, citing the creation of choke points and blind spots when exiting the OMNI parking lot.

Running onto the Runway following the Runway Excursion

Mr. Kissoon reported that following the Beech 1900 runway excursion, many airport employees ran onto the runway without permission to render assistance.

Mr. Ramjit reported on the runway excursion from the perspective of the operator. He thanked all the operators and agencies that rendered assistance to safely evacuate the passengers and the subsequent removal of the disabled aircraft from the runway.

Wildlife Management

Mr. Stoll reported on the state of affairs regarding that current wildlife management measures, the physical environment at the airport, and the displacement of wildlife from their natural habitat due to infrastructure developments in the vicinity of the airport.

He reported on a planned visit by the Wildlife Commission following a sighting in the neighboring community of an Anteater. The visit was planned for April 13, but was postponed.

Next Meeting Date

The date of the next meeting was set for 16th July, 2026.

The meeting ended at 15:42 hrs.