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Airports in Beaufort and Charleston Counties Show Spirit of Cooperation and Save Funds

Officials at Hilton Head Island Airport (HXD) and Charleston International Airport (CHS) recently partnered to save thousands of dollars and help move each facility closer to respective renovation goals. While seeking temporary furniture to improve the terminal at Hilton Head Island Airport until extensive updating occurs at the facility, Beaufort County Airports Director Jon Rembold could not ignore an opportunity to save an estimated \$50,000 in airport dollars by transferring surplus chairs from Charleston International Airport.

“Our team has a great rapport with aviation colleagues throughout the state,” said Rembold. “When discussing facility improvements during a recent conference, I shared our need for temporary furniture. Our friends in Charleston, who are nearing completion of a major airport renovation project, subsequently offered chairs we could use at no cost, adding that they had a project budget line item for furniture removal and how our taking them would save Charleston a removal cost.”

An inspection of the chairs revealed that they were well maintained and still have a good service life. After final coordination of the transfer, local airport employees made the trip to Charleston and personally loaded and transported the chairs, with the only expense being rental of a large moving truck.

“I’m happy that Charleston International Airport was able to help provide needed seating for the passengers at Hilton Head Island Airport,” said Paul Campbell, executive director and CEO of the Charleston County Aviation Authority. “Partnerships like this are a win-win for everyone.”

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