

The Boca Raton Airport Authority Names Clara Bennett as New Executive Director for the Boca Raton Airport



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BOCA RATON, FL – Following a nationwide search, the Boca Raton Airport Authority has announced that Clara Bennett will become the new Executive Director at the Boca Raton Airport. She will begin her new position on February 3, 2014.

In that role, Bennett will plan, organize, and direct all airport administration, management (including budgeting and cost control), and operations associated with the Boca Raton Airport, reporting directly to the BRAA and its Chairperson. Bennett is assuming a leadership role that is participatory, goal and results oriented, and engaging and communicative with the community.

Bennett is an airport executive with more than 22 years of experience in aviation and local government.

In her most recent position, Bennett served as Deputy Director of Transportation and Mobility/Airport Manager with the City of Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Within the scope of her responsibilities, she was called upon to provide strategic guidance on departmental operations, financial management, employee development, and administrative functions.

“The Boca Raton Airport Authority is delighted that Ms. Bennett will be joining our team shortly,” says Cheryl Budd, Chair of the Boca Raton Airport Authority. “Her 20 years of experience, and strong history of success in the industry made her an ideal candidate to lead the Airport to its next stage of development. We at the Airport Authority believe the Boca Raton Airport is one of the premiere general aviation airports in the country and Ms. Bennett’s credentials, enthusiasm, and vision combine to make her the perfect match for this exciting and challenging position.”

Bennett is extremely familiar with the area, having obtained her MBA in International Business at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. She also holds a B.S. in Aviation Management from the Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, Florida.

Bennett says, "I'm very excited about working with the Boca Raton Airport Authority and the Airport's professional staff and its tenants to continue to build on BCT's successes and create a vision for the Airport's future."

Bennett is a Board Member of the National Air Transportation Association and has served as Past President for the Florida Airports Council. She is a private pilot and has received several industry-related awards.

This search was conducted by ADK Executive Search of Jacksonville, Florida.

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