

Airline Dispatchers Federation
2011 Winter Business Meeting
January 20, 2011
Los Angeles, California

- Opening and welcome
 - ADF President Joe Miceli opened the meeting at 1300 local.
 - Joe personally thanked Matt Berg for setting up the location.
 - Joe announced to the group per the by-laws that the nominations for both ADF President and Executive Treasure have now opened.
 - Joe Miceli nominated Mike Timpe for Executive Treasure.
 - Patrick Boyle seconded the nomination.
 - Matt Berg nominated Joe Miceli for ADF President.
 - Deborah Kowalewski seconded the nomination.
 - Joe advised the group that the membership could nominate active members via email or in writing. The deadline for nominations is at the beginning of the 2011 Fall Business Meeting in Orlando, Florida.
- Presidents Report
 - ATMAC Committee
 - As of now the ATMAC Committee to the FAA ceases to exist. The ATMAC committee was being bogged down and needed a reset.
 - The final meeting was held on December 28, 2010. The meeting was to close the committee down.
 - Joe passed along a copy the meeting minutes from the last meeting.
 - REDAC Committee
 - Joe Miceli and ADF Executive Vice President John Schwoyer were asked to speak to the REDAC Committee.
 - In their discussion with the committee, Joe and John discussed operational control from the eyes of a dispatcher and what it means to our occupation.
 - Joe was able to obtain permission from the committee to publish the slide that were presented at the meeting on our website.
 - NACSC
 - The ADF has been selected to participate in the upcoming NACSC committee that is now forming.
 - Joe passed along to the group the acceptance letter from the head of the NACSC.
 - There are three levels to the NACSC.
 - Executive
 - Workgroups

- Sub groups
 - The ADF was asked to be part of the Metroplex workgroup.
 - This group worth the effort that will be involved.
 - The last meetings for the NACSC were held on October 22, 2010, December 30, 2010, and January 5th and 6th of 2011.
 - Joe passed around terms of reference from the last meeting.
 - Joe advised the group that the NACSC is looking at the business Case for NEXTGEN.
 - HEMES Report
 - The NTSB proposed rulemaking for emergency medical helicopter operations.
 - The ADF did respond to the NPRM.
 - Several helicopter pilots have personally thanked the ADF for our input on this NPRM.
 - Joe passed along the Federal Register that included the ADF's response.
 - NPRM – Dispatcher training
 - Currently there is nothing to report. All things are quiet at this time.
 - Contract Dispatching.
 - John Plowman from TWU Local 542 gave an update to the group regarding a possible contract dispatch issue that is happening within his local. Currently with the merger of Continental and United the Continental Micronesia certificate was folded into the Continental Certificate. The CMI dispatchers were left as CMI dispatchers and are dispatching Now Continental flights from their hub in Guam. This could be considered contract dispatching. While the CMO says they do not see this as contract dispatching many do see it as that. John has been in contact with AFS 200 for clarification and a ruling on that decision.
 - John and Joe both gave the group a brief history of what has transpired so far and will further update as needed.
 - New ADF Video Project.
 - Funding is now in place to finish the project.
 - Right now Joe is on track to finish the project in October.
 - The release of the video will be in 2012.
 - The FAA is very interested in this project.
 - Joel Cziok from IFALDA asked what the project entailed.
 - Joe gave a brief overview of the project and what has transpired so far.
 - As part of the project we will be working with the ADF's lawyer in Washington D.C. to finalize the ADF's trademarks and Logos.
 - Catherine Jackson advised that the logo needs to be able to be easily reproduced.

- Advertisement of Dispatch Schools
 - Several schools have been in contact with the ADF to advertise on our website.
 - With the 2008 by-law change, the ADF can now allow advertising of dispatch schools.
 - John Schwoyer asked that both Catherine Jackson and Brandon Caple spearhead this item and find a way to make it work.
 - Both Catherine and Brandon agreed to take this on.
 - Joel Cziok asked for a history of what has transpired with this topic.
 - Joe Miceli gave Joel a brief overview of what happened in the past.
 - The group discussed both the pros and cons of advertising schools on the website.
 - From that discussion the following came up:
 - The lawyer will need to be part of this for setting up contracts with the schools
 - A disclosure will need to be added to the website that we do not endorse any school.
 - Kevin Thompson asked what was this difference between schools advertising and our sponsors.
 - Our sponsors are paying for booths at the symposium and space within the newsletter.
 - The advertisement of schools will not allow this.
 - The group did agree that if this were done then only a link to the school would be provided. We cannot allow a full cover pages to be advertised.
 - Brandon Caple said that we could add sponsors to the mix also.
 - The groups will need to look into this further.
 - Brandon will look into the pricing of the change to the website to add sponsors.
- Other items
 - Bloomberg regarding a recent snow event in New York City interviewed Joe.
 - Joe mentioned about operational and the differences between Part 121 and part 135.
 - Joe advised that the phone system would be fixed shortly.
 - Private Pilot interviewed Joe about hiring at the majors.
 - Joel Cziok asked if Joe only talked about UAL/CAL.
 - Joe responded that all majors were hiring.
- Upcoming meetings
 - February 3, 2011 – TWU presidents Council.

- March – NATCA Communicating for Safety Conference
 - April – NACSC
 - May 8-10 – IFALDA AGM
 - June – NEXTGEN
 - July – Board meeting
 - NBAA Schedulers and Dispatchers Conference
- Executive Vice Presidents Report
 - John Schwoyer is still a member of the Aircraft Working Group
 - The group meets twice a month.
 - The current hot topic is communications within DATACOM.
 - The current proposal is that many of the standard voice communications will become digital.
 - The mid term and far term groups are starting to work together.
 - Has worked diligently to get the AOC into the publications/rule making includes dispatch.
 - The work is slow but advancing the word of dispatch on how it does need to be part of any new regulations.
 - RTCA/JPDO joint venture is moving forward and we are part of this.
- 2010 ADF Safety Symposium wrap up.
 - The symposium was a general success.
 - Joe thanked Catherine for a great job with the sponsors.
 - One item for the future is to have a time clock visible for the speakers to manage their time.
- ADF Meeting involvements
 - ATPAC – Patrick Boyle
 - ARAC – Norm Joseph
 - Flight Objects Work group – Patrick Boyle
 - NACSC – Joe Miceli
 - Women in Aviation – Catherine Jackson
 - Trajectory Ops – John Schwoyer
 - SWIMM – Steve Minek
 - NBAA FPAW
 - NATCA
 - NASA AMES
 - EUFALDA
 - IFALDA
 - RTCA
 - FAA Safety Symposium
- Finances
 - Currently the ADF is on plan regarding finances
 - Currently there are no monetary issues pressing
 - The video is budgeted
 - The Trademark is budgeted.

- Joe Cziok asked about the IFALDA dues. He would like to know where the funds came from (Associations, Locals, private members)
 - Mike Timpe will research and respond to Joel.
- Joel asked what happens if a member now pays both ADF/IFALDA dues together.
 - Joe advised that if this happens we will return the members check and ask that they split the ADF and IFALDA dues.
- Joel thanked us for the link to IFALDA on our website.
- Kevin Thompson asked Joel when are the current members paid up to for IFALDA.
 - Joel responded that they are paid up until the next AGM in May.
- Paul Viola asked for a financial statement
 - Mike Timpe will forward this out to Paul.
- IFALDA
 - Joel Cziok gave the group an update of what is happening at IFALDA.
 - The next AGM in May will have several elections
 - The current president of IFALDA Rick Ketchersid is resigning for personal issues and this position will be available for election to fill the remainder of his term.
 - In addition the VP East (Europe) and VP admin positions are up for election this year.
 - Joel wanted to inform the ADF that IFALDA does not have a direct seat in ICAO but they do have access to ICAO.
 - Matt Berg asked that since he is the ADF/IFALDA liaison he has not received any new updates being sent out.
 - Joel responded that no new mailings have been sent out. He will research to make sure that Matt is part of the mailing list.
 - Allan Rossmore is still part of the IOSA Audit Committee.
 - IFALDA is looking through previous accidents where they can make a case for dispatching in countries that do not require dispatchers.
 - IFALDA is beginning to use Skype for various business meetings.
- REPORTS
 - Kevin Thompson – President PAFCA DAL
 - Kevin has offered names of a few people who are interested in working on the Metroplex workgroup study in ATL
 - The PAFCA international meeting in TPA will discuss if continuing to fund IFALDA
 - Paul Viola – Delegate DAL
 - 329 Members
 - 20 assistants to be added within the next six months at DAL
 - John Plowman – President TWU Local 542
 - 525 Members
 - Fox News is trying to do a study on the new Fuel Incentive Plan at American. If there are any questions about this plan please contact him.

- John gave a brief overview of what the plan entails
 - The plans goal is to give more precise fuel to the crews.
 - Joe Miceli gave his personal thoughts on the plan.
 - The ADF has received calls about this and we have forwarded these calls to TWU Local 542 for clarification.
- Norm Joseph – VP of Aviation Rule Making
 - Norm was unable to attend. He did send out a report of what is transpiring at ARAC. Joe gave a copy of this report to the group.
- Phil Brooks – Jumpseat Committee
 - Nothing to report.
- Patrick Boyle – Executive Secretary
 - Was unable to attend the ATPAC meeting in November.
 - Patrick gave the group an overview on the Flight Objects Work Group. He did pass along the presentation given to him at his last meeting with the project leads back in October.
 - Patrick asked the group for a motion to accept the minutes of the Fall Business Meeting
 - Motion to accept the minutes by Matt Berg
 - Seconded by Deborah Kowalewski.
 - The floor carried the motion.
- Brandon Caple – VP of Technology
 - Currently working on the weather links to the website.
- Matt Berg – VP of International Relations.
 - Looking for articles for the newsletter.
- Deborah Kowalewski – VP of Membership
 - Working on setting up ten membership packages for the new hires at UAL.
- Catherine Jackson – VP of Corporate/Industry Alliances.
 - Catherine asked for an electronic copy of the presentations passed around to the group.
 - She is getting more involvement from the dispatchers at Southwest.
 - She asked for those who attend meetings to write up a brief synopsis of meeting groups and acronyms used.
- Upcoming meetings
 - 2012
 - Winter – MIA January 28th
 - Spring – IAH April 21st
 - Summer – LGA July 21st
 - Fall/Symposium MCO October 24-26
 - 2013
 - Winter – PHX
 - Spring – ATL
 - Summer – SFO

- Symposium – DCA
- Motion to adjourn
 - Motion to adjourn by Mike Timpe
 - Seconded by Matt Berg

In attendance

Joe Miceli* – ADF President / United Airlines

John Schwoyer* – ADF Executive VP / American Eagle

Mike Timpe* - ADF Executive Treasure / Horizon Air

Patrick Boyle* - ADF Executive Secretary / Continental Airlines

Brandon Caple – ADF VP of Technology / Continental Airlines

Matt Berg – ADF VP of International Relation / Continental Airlines

Deborah Kowalewski – ADF VP of Membership / United Airlines

Catherine Jackson – ADF VP of Corporate/Industry Alliances / Southwest

Paul Viola – DAL Delegate / Delta Airlines

John Plowman – TWU Local 542

Kevin Thompson – PAFCA DAL

Joel Cziok – IFALDA

*Denotes that a quorum was met.