

Airline Dispatchers Federation

2011 Summer Business Meeting

July 16, 2011

Chicago, Illinois

1. Call to order
 - ADF Secretary Patrick Boyle called the business meeting to order at 1305 local.
 - ADF President Joe Miceli thanked all who were in attendance.
2. Roll Call
 - As there were several new members at the meeting the group conducted roll call.
3. Meeting Minutes from Previous Board Meeting (DFW 03/23/2011)
 - The meeting minutes were passed around the room for those were unable to read the minutes before the meeting.
4. Officer Reports
 - a. Presidents Opening Remarks / Nominations (per bylaws)
 - ADF President Joseph Miceli once again thanked all who could be in attendance for this important meeting.
 - Joe advised the group that currently there are only two official logos patented by the ADF. Since these are registered to the ADF all communications must use only these logos.
 - Joe advised the group that nominations are still open for the positions of President and Executive Treasure.
 - i. Joe Miceli has been nominated for President.
 - ii. Mike Timpe has been nominated for Executive Treasure.
 - iii. Nominations will remain open until the opening of the Fall Business Meeting in LAS.
 - iv. Nominations may be e-mailed to Joe or ADF via email.
 - b. Presidents Report
 - Joe attended the NACSC meeting on June 9th in Washington DC.
 - o Joe passed around a recap sheet and presentations from the meeting.
 - o The reoccurring theme at the meeting was the FAA budget and how it may be reduced to 2008 budgetary levels.
 - There is also word that the spending levels may be decreased to 2006 budget levels.
 - o Many groups around the FAA are discussing if monetary projects will have funding spread out evenly or if projects will be picked over other projects.
 - Friends and Partners in Aviation Weather (FPAW)
 - o Joe attended the FPAW planning meeting on July 14th in DCA.
 - o Joe gave a brief overview of what transpired at the meeting.
 - o Once again the big issue was the FAA budget.
 - o From the meeting Joe also found out that:
 - President Obama is committed to NextGen and may cut other programs

- Within NextGen many cost overruns are showing up. The FAA is restructuring to clean up any overruns.
 - 70% of flight delays within the NAS are weather relegated.
 - RTCA
 - Joe advised the group that the RTCA has sent a letter to Administrator Babbitt of what has transpired within the RTCA.
 - Joe attend the Spring RTCA symposium in Washington DC.
 - As in other meetings the big buzz was the FAA budget
 - There is a push to put priorities on what is needed and what is to be considered extra
 - ATC Controllers will manage but not control
 - UAV's are a new subject that is being discussed
 - Right now the plan for NextGen is baby steps before beginning to run.
 - In many areas there is a lack of a business case for many of the NextGen projects.
 - Video Project
 - The new ADF video project is now back on hold until the response to the SNRPM has been completed. The executive board felt that it is better to put all time and resources towards the SNRPM at this time.
 - SNRMP Response
 - The board is working on the SNRPM response.
 - For now the response deadline has been extended to September 19, 2011
 - Several of the talking points the board is discussing are
 - Duty time issues
 - AQP
 - Ops Specs restrictions
 - Safety
 - Risk Assessment
 - The SNRPM works against SMS
 - Value of a company employee
 - Extended Tarmac Procedures
 - Contingency Plans
 - Synergies
 - Lack of a study for contract dispatching
 - Conceptual design
 - Accountability
 - Liability for loss of aircraft
 - Governing
 - Human Factors
 - With the extension we have more time to prepare ADF's case concerning Contract Dispatching.
 - ADF tactically will submit its response three to four days before the deadline.
- Upcoming items

- Joe has been invited to attend a meeting of Brazilian Dispatchers and Government discussing and presenting US FAR-121 Dispatching and Operational Control. SA Officials, Pilots, dispatchers, and operational specialists will discuss dispatching practices within their current structure.
 - The meeting took place at ANAC offices across from Congonhas Airport (CGH)
 - The next NACSC meeting will be on August 2nd
 - The FPAW meeting will be held in conjunction with the NBAA meeting in October in LAS.
 - EUFALDA AGM will be in Prague on October 21-23, 2011
- c. Executive Vice Presidents Report
 - John gave the group a briefing on what he has done since the last business meeting.
 - The Term "SOC" is now on the aviation roadmap.
 - "SOC Automation"
 - Attended an Ops Workgroup meeting at the FAA training center in OKC.
 - There will be additional meeting at the training center.
 - Currently working with the Tech center administration to be involved with the centers ATC simulator.
- d. 2011 Symposium preparation, Speakers List, Registration
 - Registration will be on-line soon.
 - The registration is late being added to the website due to an update/upgrade being done at this time.
 - Free for all members
 - Hotel is the Harrah's LAS
 - Rooms are \$59/night.
 - Rate is good for three days before/after the symposium.
 - Most of the speakers are lined up and ready to go.
- e. ADF's Meeting Involvement Discussion (New/OLD)

ATPAC – Patrick Boyle	NACSC – Joe Miceli
ARAC – Norm Joseph	Trajectory Ops – John Schwoyer
SWIMM – Steve Mineck	Women in Aviation – Catherine Jackson
RTCA – Joe Miceli	FAA Safety Symposium – Joe Miceli
JPDO – John Schwoyer	Flight Objects Workgroup – Patrick Boyle
NBAA – the entire group	NATCA – The entire group
NASA Ames – The entire group	EUFALDA – The entire group
FAA ASI Course – the entire group	
- f. Treasure, ADF finances
 - Finances are quiet and on budget.
 - We needed to replace one laptop due to a theft.
- g. Secretary Reports, DFW meeting minutes approval
 - Patrick Boyle gave an update on the last ATPAC meeting.
 - The big issue was the waiver given to PHL TRACON allowing to not to inform crews when they are exiting and re-entering into the Class B airspace.
 - Spring Business Meeting Minutes Approval
 - One correcting to show that Norm Joseph's meeting was with ARAC not ARC
 - Motion to accept by John Plowman

- Seconded by John Schwoyer
- The floor carried the motion.

h. Directors Reports

- Phil Brooks – Jumpseat Coordinator
 - Phil gave the group an overview of this duties
 - Phil's duties include:
 - Guidance for jumpseat issues
 - Maintaining a list of all jumpseat contacts at all airlines to help resolve jumpseat issues quicker.
 - CASS
 - CASS has been reliable.
 - International CASS is coming soon.
 - Jumpseat listing on American Airlines is now done through ID90.net.
 - A link will be added to the website
 - Working on resolving reciprocal jumpseat with FedEx.
- Amar Murthy
 - Working on a program to help with crew fatigue
 - Program will deny crewmembers travel if the crew will run into a legality issue with duty time.
- Paul Viola – Delegate Delta Airlines
 - One nomination for ADF President
 - John Montague
 - Currently 329 active members
 - Will add 30 more in 2012
 - Lots of interest in the 2011 symposium.
 - Because of the contract dispatching issue, there has been a renewed interest in the ADF at Delta.
- John Plowman – President TWU Local 542
 - ASA-PAFCA voting on single certificate and class and craft issues with the XJT merger.
- Kevin Thompson – President PAFCA DAL
 - Delta is now training dispatchers for Air France.
- Mike Desmond – President PAFCA ASA
 - Gave an update on what John Plowman had announced earlier.
- Paul New President PAFCA International, Nothing to report
- Derek Nemis
 - Nothing to report
- Paul New – President PAFCA International
 - Nothing to report
- Craig Symons – President PAFCA UAL
 - Nothing to report
- Brad Rasmussen – IFALDA
 - IFALDA is willing to assist with the SNRPM response.

i. VP Reports

- Norm Joseph – VP of Aviation Rule Making

- SNRPM
 - There needs to be a provision for dispatchers and company to take control of work time.
 - There is no provision for location of the dispatch office.
 - Good – Dispatchers for 121 Supplemental
- ARAC
 - No major issues on the table at this time.
 - There is a focus on how to handle rule changes with NextGen.
 - There is still work going on for the reorganization of the ARAC.
 - There was a delay due to a members illness
 - ADF is still part of the ARAC after the reorganization.
- FAA Budget
 - ERAM must be done before NextGen.
- UAV issues
 - FAR 91/135 ARAC was looking at UAV's for cargo
- Brandon Caple – VP of Technology
 - Nothing to report at this time.
 - Joe asked the Union officials if it is possible to email their membership directly.
 - Some will need to look at their by-laws to see if this is possible.
 - Some advised due to their bylaws this cannot be done.
- Debbie Kowalewski – VP of Membership
 - Streamlining the website for the welcome letter
 - To save money ADF pins will only be given out at the symposium.
- Catherine Jackson – VP of Cooperate/industry Alliances
 - Working on sponsors for the 2011 symposium.
 - Significant amount have already committed.
 - Working on advertising for schools on the website.
 - The group decided that the advertising will be for one year.
 - The group decided on a cost of \$2500 per school.
- j. 2012 BM dates, 2013 Symposium location
 - 2013 Meetings
 - Winter 2013 Jan 26, 2013 PHX
 - Spring 2013 – ATL
 - Summer 2013 – SFO
 - Fall/Symposium 2013 – DCA
 - 2014 meeting
 - Fall/Symposium 2014 – ATL
- k. Other Business
 - No other business was discussed.
- 5. Motion to Adjourn
 - Motion to adjourn by Debbie Kowalewski
 - Seconded by Mike Timpe

In attendance

* Denotes a quorum was met

Phil Brooks – ADF Jumpseat Coordinator – UAL

Catherine Jackson – ADF VP of Cooperate/Industry Alliances – SWA

John Plowman – TWU Local 542

Craig Symons – PAFCA UAL

Paul New – PAFCA International

Derek Nemes – UAL

Mike Desmond – PAFCA ASA

Kevin Thompson – PAFCA DAL

Debbie Kowaleski – ADF VP of Membership – UAL

Paul Viola – DAL

Brandon Caple – ADF VP of Technology – CAL

Norm Joseph – ADF VP of Aviation Rule Making – DAL

Amar S. Murthy – Flight Ops Consulting

Brad Rasmussen – IFALDA –World Airways

*Mike Timpe – ADF Executive Treasure – QXE

*John Schwoyer – ADF Executive Vice President – AAL

*Patrick Boyle – ADF Executive Secretary – CAL

*Joe Miceli – ADF President – UAL