

**Airline Dispatchers Federation
2012 Summer Business Meeting
July 21, 2012
Newark, NJ**

1. Call to Order

- ADF Executive Patrick Boyle called the meeting to order at 1308 Eastern.

2. Roll Call

- Introductions of new attendees and board members went around the room.

3. Meeting minutes from the previous Board Meeting (IAH April 21, 2012)

- Meeting minutes were passed around the room for those who did not receive a copy.

4. Officers Reports

a. Opening Remarks/Nominations of ADF Board Members (EVP/Secretary per bylaws)

- ADF President Joseph Miceli welcomed all who were able to attend. As per the Bylaws of the ADF this year the Executive Vice-President and Executive Secretary positions are up for election. Nominations will be open until the start of the fall business meeting in Orlando on October 10, 2012. Members may nominate themselves or another member to either position via Email to the president or in person.

b. Presidents report (NACSC, FAA, Airports Project, Video Update)

- Mr. Miceli attended the RTCA Symposium on June 5-6.
 - Joe passed along to the group presentations and notes from the meeting.
 - The FAA NEXTGEN budget has been approved by congress.
 - TWU Local 542 John Plowman was in attendance with Mr. Miceli.
 - The symposium was informative.
 - There is a large push to move forward with NEXTGEN.
 - At this time there are many directions from all sources so there is no clear direction yet.
 - Dispatch needs to be part of the CPDLC when it comes to clearances, reroutes, and delays.
 - At this time there is no back-up set up incase of failure.
 - The big shock was the announcement of Chris Aswalt stepping down as chairman.
 - ADF is attending and advocating the dispatch profession.
- Mr. Miceli attended the FAA Airport Project looking into the use and format of airport NOTAMS.
 - The group is looking at simplifying NOTAMS.

- The group is also looking at shortening then amount of NOTAMS issued.
 - The meetings are both in person and via teleconference.
 - Some of the meetings are in Washington, DC and others are in Montreal.
 - The FAA, ICAO, and JAA attend the group.
 - A member of the group should be able to speak at the Safety Symposium this fall.
- Video Project
 - Work is on going.
 - The vendor who is helping out is currently bogged down as they are going through a merger.
 - There is a possibility that the project could be delayed.
 - Lou Paris advised that he might be able to help out if it is needed.
- ADF Logo update
 - The lawyer had several issues to resolve with the patent office with the updated logo.
 - The previous ADF logo is good until 2016.
 - The executive board has been working with the lawyer to resolve issues that have been brought up by the patent office.
- ADF Business cards
 - Matt Berg has worked up a design for the new format of the business cards with the new logo.
 - Final samples will be emailed to the board members for approval before printing starts.
 - There will be a master template set up.
 - The decision was made to use union labor and a company in the United States.
- ARAC Committee
 - Norm Joseph has notified the Executive Board of his intentions of stepping down from the ARAC committee when his term expires at the end of the year.
 - The position is an appointed position by the FAA.
 - Several members have expressed their interest in the position.
 - Since Norm is a member from Delta/PAFCA, the Executive Board made the decision to first offer the position to a member from Delta to help ease the transition.

c. Executive Vice-President's Report

- ADF Executive Vice-President John Schwoyer gave the group an update on what is going on within the JPDO

- Nothing major to report within the JPDO.
- At this time no dispatch related issues at this time.
- Most of the changes were in projected related due dates.

d. 2012 Symposium Discussion / Speakers Booked

- Mr. Miceli gave the group of a list of speakers who have been invited and confirmed for this year's symposium.

e. ADF's Meeting involvement

- The only new meeting is the FAA/ICAO/JAA NOTAMS workgroup.

f. Treasures Report

- The ADF finances are as expected.
 - The issues with the new logo were an unexpected development.
- Any question about the finances must be made in writing to the ARD President and the Executive Treasure.

g. Secretary Reports / IAH Meeting minutes approval

- ATPAC – Quiet
- Flight Objects – no meetings until August.
- Motion to accept the meeting minutes from the Spring Business meeting
 - Motion to Accept by:
 - John Schwoyer
 - Seconded by:
 - Gene Kim
 - The floor carried the motion.

h. VP and Board member reports

- **Lou Paris**
 - Regional Airlines are starting to see the effects of the current economic recession.
 - Pinnacle Airlines will be shutting down their Colgan Air division.
 - Pinnacle is also working on merging both their Pinnacle and Mesaba divisions into one.
 - Pinnacle will be transitioning to the SABRE flight planning system.
- **Matt Berg**
 - The move of the United South office from Houston is complete.
 - Matt also gave an update on how the move has been so far.
 - Registration for the symposium is live on the website.
 - The symposium is at the same location as the 2010 symposium.
 - The property has gone through a complete renovation.
- **Deborah Kowalewski**
 - Deborah gave an update from the United North office side about the move.

- She is getting the membership roster updated ASAP.
- She is currently out of the ADF lanyards and pins.

- **Katherine Jackson**
 - Several commitments have been made from the symposium.
 - She gave an update on the Southwest Dispatchers Contract.
 - Jeff Martin has left Southwest to work for JetBlue.

- **Norm Joseph**
 - Next ARAC meeting is August 30th.
 - The next ADF ARAC representative will accompany Norm to the meeting.
 - There is a need to have an alternate named for the ARAC committee.
 - Currently there are no dispatch related issues in ARAC.

- **Rick Ketchersid (IFALDA President)**
 - IFALDA is continuing on for now.
 - About \$6000.00 in the bank.
 - Membership from Delta PAFCA.
 - Donation from the TWU International.
 - The 2012 Symposium was canceled due to low membership signup.
 - Those who did sign up along with sponsors were refunded.
 - Currently involved with the Volcanic Work Group.
 - Currently involved with the IACO dangerous work group.
 - IFALDA was asked to join the ICAO Performance Based Ops Control System Working Group.
 - This work group is being done in conjunction with the FAA.
 - At this time he was unable to provide any more details by his board.
 - Rick was asked if IFADA has sat in on only ICAO meetings via their observers seat.
 - Sandy Sandzuik was able to attend the meeting in June.
 - There are upcoming meetings in October and November that IFALDA plans to attend.
 - Alan Rossmore is still working with the IOSA Dispatch Audit Group.
 - IFALDA is assisting the FAA with the Dispatchers Training Manual.
 - When questioned if the entire board was working on this, the answer was no. A few members are assisting at this time.
 - The IFALDA website has been up and running good.
 - There is always content that needs to be uploaded.

- **Gene Kim**
 - The new VP of OCC at Southwest is Matt Hafner.
 - There will be a new structure within the OCC

- An operations side and a business side.
- The construction of the new Southwest OCC begins in August.
- Airtran will be hiring three (3) dispatchers soon.

i. Future business meetings dates/locations

- 2013
 - Winter - Phoenix, AZ January 26, 2013
 - Spring - Atlanta, GA April 13, 2013
 - Summer - San Francisco, CA July 27, 2013
 - Fall/Symposium - Washington DC October 7-9 or 8-10
- 2014
 - Winter - Dallas, TX
 - Spring - Honolulu, HI
 - Summer - Seattle/Portland
 - Fall/Symposium Chicago/Atlanta

j. Other business

- Rick Horton - Turbulance update
 - No update was given.
- Phill Brooks - Jumpeat committee
 - Now able to jumpseat on FedEx.
 - If there are any known issues please advise him for resolution.

5. Motion to adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Lou Paris
- Seconded by Norm Joseph

In attendance

*Joseph Miceli - ADF President
 *John Schwoyer - ADF Executive Vice-President
 *Mike Timpe - ADF Executive Treasure
 *Patrick Boyle - Executive Secretary
 Lou Paris - ADF VP of Media relations
 Matt Berg - ADF VP of International Relations / Liaison to IFALDA
 Deborah Kowalewski - ADF VP of membership
 Katherine Jackson - ADF VP of Corporate/Industry Alliances
 Norm Joseph - ADF VP of Government Affairs
 Gene Kim - ADF VP of Industry Relations
 Rick Ketchersid - President of IFALDA

*denotes a quorum was met.