

Airline Dispatchers Federation
2010 Spring Business Meeting
Las Vegas, Nevada
May 3, 2010

1. Call to Order
ADF Executive Secretary Patrick Boyle welcomed all who were able to attend the meeting and officially called the business meeting to order at 1340 PST.
2. Roll Call
Roll call went around the table to introduce any new members.
3. Meeting Minutes from previous Board Meeting (ATL 1/23/10)
4. Officers Reports
 - a. Presidents Opening Remarks
Nominations are still open for the Executive Secretary and Executive Vice-Presidents positions. Nominations may be made till the start of the Fall business meeting.
 - b. Presidents Report
 - i. Attended the ATMAC meeting on March 3
 1. Passed around presentation from the ATMAC committee.
 2. Working on redefining what ATMAC is working on.
 - a. Norm Joseph asked if ATMAC was a sub group of the RTCA. Joe Miceli responded that ATMAC is a sub group of the RTCA and the re-design is to allow ATMAC to be able to issue rulings and policy changes.
 3. There were some gaps that were missed by TASK FORCE 5. The FAA has been tasked with working through the missed items.
 4. ADF was re-elected by ATMAC for the 2010-2011 years.
 5. Concern that there might be too much pressure on NEXTGEN product.
 - ii. Attended the RTCA Spring symposium on April 6-7
 1. Joe gave a briefing of what had transpired at the last RTCA symposium to the group.
 2. Joe might not attend the next RTCA symposium unless there is a significant change.

- iii. Attended the NATCA “Call to safety” symposium in Orlando Florida.
 - 1. NATCA is a union so we need to be careful in endorsing anything they do.
 - 2. Dispatch was mentioned many times through out the symposium.
 - 3. Joe passed around some documentation that was handed out during the symposium.

- iv. Attended the Women in Aviation meeting in Orlando Florida.
 - 1. Presented a dispatch scholarship that was provided by AGS dispatch school.
 - 2. Suggested that we might want to look into sponsoring a booth at a later date.

- v. Video Project
 - 1. Until finances are at a better level or we receive a grant from the FAA, the video project is on hold.

- c. Executive Vice Presidents Report
 - i. Part of the JPDO’s Aircraft Avionics work group.
 - 1. Working on the Trajectory Based Operations (TBO) work group. This group is a mid term-future NEXTGEN looking group.
 - a. Working on issues that pertain to dispatch and how we as dispatcher work in the group.
 - b. Trying to help define and understand what a Flight Object is. Others in the group have attended other meetings on this and will discuss further.
 - c. Able to interject into the international community on the importance of the dispatcher.
 - d. With NEXTGEN we will be seeing a larger increased workload on the dispatcher.
 - 2. John gave more information in detail on how the working of the JPDO and NEXTGEN is set up and where we have difficulties and who the major players are. Also John gave a brief overview of what is going on to date.

- d. Executive Secretary’s report / Approval of Winter business meeting minutes.
 - i. Patrick gave a brief overview of the Flight Object work group and how it will be helping to shape the dispatchers function in NEXTGEN.

- ii. Motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting by:
Matt Berg

Seconded By:
Paul Viola

The floor carried the motion.

- e. 2010 Symposium
 - i. We will have registration on the website go live by the end of the meeting.
 - ii. We are booked up for speakers and have standby's available.
 - 1. Joe gave a brief update of who is planning to speak.
 - iii. Sponsorship looks to be the same as the previous years.
 - iv. We will begin advertising ASAP for the symposium as we have now gone live on registration. Patrick has volunteered to help set up the advertising. He will be in touch with the board after he finds more info
 - v. The group discussed a possible change to the phone tree that can help lower our costs.
- f. Treasures Report
 - i. Our finances are in line with yearly financial projections.
 - ii. We are sending IFALDA dues as soon as the membership pays us.
- g. Meeting involvement old/new
 - i. Invited to attend the NTSB Excellence in Aviation, Pilot and Controllers.
 - 1. Scheduled for 05/17-5/19
 - ii. Invited to attend the NBAA conference in ATL.
- h. Director / VP reports
 - i. Matt Berg
 - 1. Let him know of intentions for the summer business meeting soon.
 - 2. Symposium is set up and is available to be booked.
 - 3. Please submit articles to the newsletter.
 - ii. Tom Radtke
 - 1. Membership kits are being updated and set up. Supplies are low and in need of being replaced.
 - a. Pricing quotes have been sent out and he is looking through the quotes.

- b. Membership:
 - i. 1095 members
 - 1. 12 new members added
 - 2. 8 new student member added
 - 3. 1 international member added
 - c. Expired memberships
 - i. The group decided to put this item on hold till after the symposium.
 - ii. Brandon will research programming costs.
- iii. Sandy Sandziuk
 - 1. Discussed current situation of IFALDA.
 - a. Several members of their management have left their organization leaving IFALDA in a peculiar situation of having all positions up for election at the same time.
 - 2. Presented at the CALDA symposium.
 - 3. Working IATA fuel quantity policy
 - 4. Working with ICAO on several areas involving dispatch.
 - a. Working on part of the ADS-B system.
 - b. Australia is the only country in the world that is fully ADS-B
 - 5. Offered thanks to all of the IFALDA members who are not continuing their involvement with the management of IFALDA.
- iv. John Plowman
 - 1. The TWU is working on workload study.
 - a. Several members have stated that they need to check with others at their airline to see what has been done so far and if the data is available to be sent out to the ADF group.
 - b. NEXTGEN will be adding to the workload of the dispatcher.
- v. Brandon Caple
 - 1. No major issues to report.
- vi. Norm Joseph
 - 1. ARAC
 - a. ARAC is going to be redefined and reorganized
 - b. Next meeting is July 16th.
 - c. Expect ARAC to be a smaller group than in the past.

2. ATPAC

- a. Discussed the VHF COM's committee within the ATPAC.
 - i. Proposals are now coming out of this group.
 - b. There is some movement within the FAA dispatch group.
 - i. Dennis Mills is now in the new technology workgroup.
 - ii. Leo Hollis has taken over Dennis Mills's position.
 - c. The House Transportation committee has had hearings on "on demand" charters
 - i. Part 135 might be changed to require dispatchers.
 - 1. Part 135-scheduled service is only used by propeller aircraft. All jet aircraft are on 121 operations.
 - ii. There is now availability for the ADF to issue a new position paper regarding the hearings that have transpired.
 - iii. The ADF has always held the position that all 121 operations require dispatchers employed by the carrier, not a contractor.
- vii. Catherine Jackson
- 1. Strongly encourages all to look into the Women in Aviation Conference. It is a good opportunity for the ADF to get the voice of the dispatcher out on.
- viii. Paul Viola
- 1. 330 members at Delta
 - a. Thanked Tom Radtke for setting up the new member packages
 - 2. Asked Brandon if the Delta membership is transition is looking good.
 - a. Everything looks good for now.
- ix. Swetha Temker
- 1. New alternate delegate for United Airlines
 - 2. Thanked he group for welcoming her to the group.
- x. Deborah Kowalewski
- 1. Continental / United merger has been announced.
 - a. No news about transition
 - 2. Still in negotiations

- i. Other Business
 - i. Meeting for the NTSB will be attended by Joe Miceli
 - ii. Membership kits
 - iii. Jumpseat issues contact Phil Brooks at PBrooks@dispatcher.org

- j. 2011 Symposium
 - i. Planned to be held in Las Vegas.
 - ii. Dates will be set up at the summer business meeting.

- k. 2012 Business Meeting dates
 - i. Joe suggested that for 2012 we follow NBAA in Orlando Florida.
 - ii. Dates will be set up at the summer business meeting.

- l. Motion to adjourn
 - i. Motion to adjourn by:
Matt Berg

 - ii. Seconded by:
Tom Radtke

In attendance:

*Joseph Miceli, ADF President / United Airlines
*John Schwoyer, ADF Executive Vice President / American Eagle
*Mike Timpe, ADF Executive Treasure / Horizon Air
*Patrick Boyle, ADF Executive Secretary / ExpressJet Airlines
Matt Berg, ADF liaison to IFALDA / Continental Airlines
Tom Radtke, VP of membership / United Airlines
Sandy Sandziuk, IFALDA liaison to ADF / Air Canada (ret.)
John Plowman / Transport Workers Union, local 542
Brandon Caple, VP of Information Technology, Continental Airlines
Norm Joseph, VP of Governmental Affairs / Delta Airlines
Catherine Jackson VP of Industry Alliances / Southwest Airlines
Paul Viola, delegate / Delta Airlines
Swetha Temker, delegate / United Airlines
Deborah Kowalewski / United Airlines
*Denotes a quorum was met