

**NATIONAL RBA TELECON**  
**Wednesday, January 6, 2010**

**PRESENT:**

Linda Goodrich  
Mike Gonzales  
Dennie Rose  
Serge Cote  
John Cox  
Frank Gentile  
Charlie Henderson  
Paul Joly  
Bob Mercer  
Bill Missal  
Bob Prehara  
Tom Ronk  
Reed Wiglesworth  
Dennis Scarfeo  
Colleen Stevens

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**Membership**

During 2009, Flight Standards gained a total of 159 new members, broken down by region below. Linda gave kudos to Mike Gonzales for taking the initiative to send out welcome packets to new members. The new members of AFS-700, AFS-900, AEG and AQS were folded into the major reasons. The next membership update will have these numbers broken out.

Alaska:	3 new members
Central:	9 new members
Eastern:	23 new members
Great Lakes:	37 new members
Northwest Mountain:	12 new members
Southern:	31 new members
Southwest:	21 new members
Western Pacific:	22 new members

**RBA Notes**

Linda and Jessica are working on updating RBA notes and will be posting RBA notes for the month of December through the most current telecon. Linda will also send out copies of the notes to RBAs via email.

**Space SOP**

Linda discussed the Space SOP with John Allen, who was upset over recent developments. The primary message regarding the Space SOP is that nothing has been officially done and no offices are currently required to move—it is up to the division manager to get with local managers to

discuss the issue. Any decision must be a joint decision/discussion with PASS. More information on this to come as it develops.

### **PMS**

Linda briefed John Allen regarding PMS and he was disappointed with her report but not surprised. However, he was pleased with some improvements and hopeful that the new people will have a better attitude and be more proactive. In order to convey this message, he wanted division managers to come in this week so he could outline his expectations and stress that he expects them to work with the union at all levels. Recognition was given to Angela Elgee, AAI division manager, and Larry Richards, ACE division manager.

### **Briefing From AFS-300**

On January 4, Linda met with Steve Douglas from AFS-300 to discuss the new AD process and PASS involvement in BASAs.

- AD Process: AIR has agreed to a 24/7 AMOC standby that would require people to rotate in order to maintain readiness. Linda asked about AEG employees who are involved in this and Steve said nothing has been agreed to as of yet and anything will be discussed with PASS and negotiated appropriately. AFS-300 has only received a briefing from AIR about what it intends to do. Steve said he will keep Linda and PASS POC Art Muzzicato involved in the conversation. Linda stated that she expects that there will be some sort of briefing in the future about what AIR is going to do and what will be expected of AIR employees versus FS employees.
- BASA: Steve asked why PASS wanted to be involved in the BASA process and Linda emphasized that any BASA directly impacts our employees, especially those working overseas.

### **ASI Positions**

There have been discussions about people qualified for the ASI job but lacking in the recency of experience. As such, they have begun to hire at levels 9 and 11. The details of this are still being discussed. More information to come.

### **OJT for ASAs**

This is an ongoing national item that Linda continues to work. John Allen has promised the agency will put together a TDR, which would allow for the development of a course for these employees.

### **DoD Schools in Puerto Rico**

Linda discussed with John the situation with children of FS employees attending the DoD school in Puerto Rico. PASS is moving forward with an arbitration on this issue. John said that he has indicated that children of FS employees should be able to attend these schools. He will look into the issue further.

### **Geographic Program**

During her meeting with John Allen, Linda also discussed the re-installment of the geographic program. John indicated that without a proper staffing of the HCC to support the program, it will

not succeed. However, he continues to work this issue and Linda will continue to follow its progress.

### **Proficiency Enroute**

Linda and Frank continue to work on developing a draft to incorporate into the enroute order and present it to AFS-1. If you have any suggestions for the draft, please contact Frank.

### **Upcoming Meetings/Training/Events**

- January 18: Linda and Dennie in Denver for quarterly and rep training for ANM
  - January 25: Linda in Atlanta to conduct training, attend all-hands and join Reed for ASO quarterly grievance meeting
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## **Summary of ACTION ITEMS**

### **Open ACTION ITEMS**

- ACTION ITEM for Frank and Linda to modify existing enroute order and present a draft to the agency.
- ACTION ITEM for Colleen to provide Bob Prehara with job hazard analysis information.
- ACTION ITEM for Bill Missal to work air cards for Alaska with Bob Prehara.
- ACTION ITEM for Mark Kimmel to report back to Linda regarding issue of Great Lakes cancelling all Jeppesens.
- ACTION ITEM for Linda to work with Mike Gonzales to ensure MOA is on website regarding the requirement for any member getting a temporary promotion to fill out an 1187.
- ACTION ITEM for Linda to work with Charlie to put together a proposal to AFS-100 to authorize AQS to inform computer specialists to put this on each computer as it is set up.
- ACTION ITEM for Linda to continue working the enroute issue and specifically ask about proficiency enrouts.
- ACTION ITEM for Linda to look into the difference between someone acting in a detail versus acting, i.e., George will be detailed as a manager for the next 30 days versus George will be acting until next Wednesday.
- ACTION ITEM to send any suggestions for a PASS POC on blood-borne pathogens to Colleen.
- ACTION ITEM for Colleen to give presentation on expectation of hearing conservation effort.

### **Ongoing ACTION ITEMS**

- Ongoing ACTION ITEM for RBAs and/or assistants to start contacting members who dropped out of union, as well as any new members on a continuous basis. After you get in touch with these individuals, pass the information on to Linda so she can follow up.
- Ongoing ACTION ITEM to get any information on a member who dropped due to an administrative error to Emily and copy Linda and Dennie.
- Ongoing ACTION ITEM for all RBAs to talk to regional TSA POCs in order to ensure that field inspectors are receiving security briefings.
- Ongoing ACTION ITEM for anyone who has had problems with workers' comp to get the information to Colleen via email or fax.

- Ongoing ACTION ITEM for Linda to work on getting Jessica out in the field to help familiarize with her with Flight Standards as she works on developing new articles for the newsletter.
- Ongoing ACTION ITEM to continue to make contact with your members of Congress regarding issues that are important to you, educating them on what you do and what you need to continue protecting aviation safety. Please keep Abby and Kori informed of any action/response. Linda said that she has heard that the FAA is getting tired of this so the strategy is obviously working!

**Note: All current and archived RBA notes are available on [www.passnational.org](http://www.passnational.org).**