

**NATIONAL RBA TELECON**  
**Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

**PRESENT:**

Linda Goodrich  
Mike Gonzales  
Richard Eng  
Frank Gentile  
Paul Joly  
Bill Missal  
Bill Mounger  
Tom Ronk  
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**Membership**

Flight Standards gained four new members last week: one from Southern, two from Southwest and one from Western Pacific.

**RBA Notes**

The RBA notes have been posted on the website in the Region IV section.

**Space SOP**

Linda wanted to make sure that everyone was engaged regarding the space SOP. She encouraged RBAs with offices near the region to talk with their representatives and make sure they contact division managers regarding the evaluation process and PASS's role. PASS will continue to follow this issue but members had to stay actively involved on the local level as well.

**AD Process**

Linda reported that an AEG member was approached about standby time regarding the revising of the AD process and processing AMOC requests and implementation. A conversation such as this should not have occurred since PASS has not discussed and worked this issue on a national level. A briefing should be taking place in the next couple of weeks regarding what AIR is going to do and what will be expected of AIR employees versus expectations and impacts to the FS employees.

**DoD Schools in Puerto Rico**

PASS continues to work this issue and is standing by to get clarification regarding children of Flight Standards employees attending DoD schools in Puerto Rico. Flight Standards and AVS are working closely with PASS to address and resolve this issue. More information to come.

**Frontier Airline**

It was announced at the Rocky Mountain CMO that Frontier Airline is planning on moving its operations but PASS has not been briefed on the matter. Linda brought it up with John Allen but he could not provide any information. PASS is scheduled to receive a briefing tomorrow in the

ANM region. This issue is especially important since it crosses regional boundaries since the carrier is proposing to move to the AGL region.

### **Proficiency Enroutes**

Linda and Frank continue to work on developing a draft to incorporate into the enroute order and present it to AFS-1.

### **Feds Get Fit Program**

PASS is actively pursuing a Feds Get Fit program in Flight Standards. Linda thought it would be a good idea to have a POC from PASS to report back to the agency on the program. If you have any suggestions on an individual who would be good in this position, get their names to Linda.

### **ASTAR**

PASS continues to work with George Blair on ASTAR and emphasizing to the FAA the importance of PASS being involved. Mike Gonzales is being proactive in this regard and staying engaged through Jackie Clow, who is still on the original ASTAR workgroup.

### **Contract Negotiations**

Mike Derby sent a draft proposal to the FAA on ground rules for returning to contract negotiations to include considerations of negotiating a master contract with addendums for the different bargaining units. This is the beginning of discussions related to going back to the bargaining table.

### **SIRS**

PASS is well aware that SIRS is a failure and that there are several issues related to the system. PASS is trying to collect more data specific to SIRS since it would be helpful to relay real-life stories to the FAA in order to emphasize the failure of the system. If you have examples, please contact Linda or Mike.

### **Meeting With AFS-40**

Last week, Linda and Mike met with the division manager from AFS-40. One item discussed was PMS and how AFS-40 was going to begin auditing the PMS in the field. AFS-40 provided PASS with some draft language regarding how the tool would be used, and they are targeting March as the start date for the audit. PASS will need a POC for the audit so if you know of anyone interested, please send their names to Linda or Mike. The group also discussed AFS-40 wanting to audit Order 8900.1.

### **LDR Codes**

The RBAs discussed the new LDR code and that one of the codes requires the need to break out how much time is spent on travel to conduct the surveillances. AEG offices did receive the new codes. ACTION ITEM for Frank to get an example regarding training on new LDR codes.

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

- January 25: Linda in Atlanta to conduct training, attend all-hands and join Reed for ASO quarterly grievance meeting

## **Summary of ACTION ITEMS**

### **New ACTION ITEM**

- ACTION ITEM for Frank to get an example regarding training on new LDR codes.

### **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 enroutes.
- 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).**