

**NATIONAL RBA TELECON**  
**Wednesday, June 15, 2011**

**PRESENT:**

Linda Goodrich  
Mike Gonzales  
Dennie Rose  
Steve Brown  
Frank Gentile  
Paul Joly  
Bill Missal  
Bob Prehara  
Dennis Scarfeo  
Colleen Stevens

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**Membership**

Flight Standards gained three new members over the past week: two from the Great Lakes region and one from the Eastern region.

**ASTAR**

Linda is in meetings this week regarding ASTAR, the staffing model that will be used by AFS once completed. The agency is testing it out this week and Linda said they are beginning to get an idea about the staffing figure and the serious condition of our databases. According to Linda, this test version currently shows that we are about 708 below the staffing level.

**AQS**

Linda is working on getting an ATP navigator-type product to each employee who needs. The funds are available as are the products. Linda encouraged RBAs and representatives to talk to their division and office managers to start a discussion on how to make it happen.

**Telework Survey**

Linda stressed the importance of taking the telework survey that is currently available. This is the chance to communicate views on telework and make an impact on the agency's policy. Please remind all employees to take the survey.

**All-Managers Meeting**

Peg Gilligan has scheduled an all-managers meeting for the week of September 20, although the date has not yet been confirmed. Linda has requested that all RBAs be invited to the meeting. Please pencil the date into your calendar. More information to come when date is approved.

**New Hires**

Some appropriately qualified new hires ranked at the 12 level have been hired at FG-11 when they should be hired at level 12. ACTION ITEM for RBAs to find out if qualified new hires were hired at level 11 or 12.

## **VLTP**

Reminder to all RBAs that Bill Mounger is still in need of additional leave. If you have leave that you wish to donate, please do so today.

## **Idea Hub**

Mike Gonzales discussed an item that came out through Idea Hub and encouraged all RBAs to support it. He sent out an email with specific information so be sure to check your email for more details.

## **AVS Flyer Survey**

Mike Gonzales reminded all RBAs to take the AVS flyer survey and to encourage others to do so as well.

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## **New ACTION ITEMS**

- ACTION ITEM for RBAs to find out if qualified new hires were hired at level 11 or 12.

## **Open ACTION ITEMS**

- ACTION ITEM for Mike Gonzales to continue supporting both the AWP and AEA regional business agents regarding the unilateral imposition of moving offices to their respective regional offices. This is not only impacting the BOS FSDO and LAX FSDO but also the AEG personnel. Status: Mike Gonzales is working this issue and has assisted both AEA and AWP and AEG with providing notification to the agency regarding their proposed move of those two offices.
- ACTION ITEM for Colleen to provide Bob Prehara with job hazard analysis information.
- 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 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.

## **Ongoing ACTION ITEMS**

- ACTION ITEM to send any suggestions for a PASS POC on blood-borne pathogens to Colleen.
- 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 and Mike so they 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 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).**