

# MINUTES OF IFALDA BOARD MEETING 16 FEBRUARY 2000 – WASHINGTON DULLES

Present: Brad Rasmussen, President  
Aidan Fox, VP East  
Adrian Sandziuk, VP West  
Kathy Warner, VP Admin  
James Ford, VP Finance  
David Porter, Director Regulatory Affairs  
Giles O'Keeffe, President ADF

10:00 President called the meeting to order

## 1. 2000 Summit Chicago

Giles O'Keeffe was asked to give a resume of the arrangements made to date and to express any concerns that he may have concerning the arrangements for this meeting.

Jack O'Sullivan has been agreed to be the official "ADF Point of Contact" for this event which should make the channelling of queries/information simpler.

So far, some \$20-30,000 sponsorship money has been secured and plans are in hand to explore the possibility of obtaining a Government representative. Most of the administration is already in place and Giles reported a good level of representation from airlines etc.

It was suggested that the theme for the Summit should be "Globalisation and Operational Control."

Aidan Fox agreed to liaise with Albert Rieger, EUFALDA President on the subject of European speakers. Brad Rasmussen agreed to be the IFALDA Point of Contact within USA.

The question of membership contribution at the Chicago Summit was raised. It is not yet certain as to the numbers likely to attend from Europe.

Suggestions were made as to how to conduct the separate association business meetings. One feasible possibility is to hold the EUFALDA/ADF meetings on the same day and the IFALDA meeting separately to achieve the least conflict of membership interest.

## 2. Elections

The following positions are up for election this year –President, VP West and VP Finance. Current President Brad Rasmussen felt unable to commit to standing for re-election at this time. James Ford is prepared to stand again as VP Finance and Sandy Sandziuk questioned his eligibility to stand for re-election as VP West due to his impending retirement but wishes to re-establish his contacts within ICAO after his retirement. It is hoped that the Canadian and Danish associations will combine to become a member of ITF.

David Porter stated his intentions to try to obtain some more nominations for President.

### 3. Budget

James Ford reported on the current financial situation. Funds currently stand at \$17,300 with \$11,000 on its way from ADF. The AGM 2000 is the one large item of expenditure remaining to come out of these funds.

It was agreed that the split of any profits made at the AGM will be discussed by the three Association Presidents.

### 4. Harmonisation

Aidan Fox brought the meeting up to date with the current position regarding JAR Ops/EUR Ops etc.

It is important to note at this stage that, although most European Airlines have adopted JAR Ops as their standard, the European Union will not accept this in its current form for its member states and therefore the local Civil Aviation Authority standards are still the official legislation.

Aidan reported that a French company has been appointed by EU DG7 to carry out its study of Flight Dispatch. It is considered important that we attempt to get a senior member of DG7 and also of JAA to attend the AGM. A suitable representative of Eurocontrol Brussels would also be very useful, i.e. a member of the Flow Management Division.

Aidan agreed to take care of finding a suitable contact from Eurocontrol and Brad Rasmussen agreed to send an invitation to JAA.

Aidan expressed concern regarding the attitude of EUFALDA members at business meetings, stating that there needs to be more involvement by the members and a higher priority placed on the business itself.

David Porter circulated the agenda for the next Harmonisation Management Team meeting in Hoofddorp. EUFALDA should be represented at this meeting in order to try and get us back into the picture.

There was some discussion on these issues and the part that LIDO flight planning system has to play etc.

### 5. Code Share

David Porter spoke of his work on the evaluation of standards of code share partners and asked for comments from the Board on the questionnaire he has prepared.

### 6. Ghana Airways

Ghana have requested a letter from IFALDA confirming their status. This was agreed since they are members of IFALDA in good standing.

7. Dispatch Entry in North Atlantic MNPS Manual

David Porter explained the background to the latest entry to the Dispatch Section of the North Atlantic MNPS MANUAL.

8 Pacific Users Manual

David Porter gave the background to this guide also and stated that he will be involved in this but would welcome further input. It is believed that a member from Canada has volunteered to assist.

9. Any Other Business

David Porter announced that, due to a conflict of interests with Delta Airlines, it would no longer be possible for him to serve as Director of Regulatory Affairs. However, although somebody should be found to take over this position officially, David is prepared to maintain contact in much the same way as before without being an official Director.

Sandy Sandziuk expressed his wish to retain David Porter's expertise as much as possible, a sentiment echoed by the rest of the Board.

It was reported that Andy Konstas of United has expressed an interest in Special Projects.

Sandy Sandziuk advised that he had agreed to invite Capt. Haile Belai of ICAO to the 2000 AGM to make a presentation on their country audit scheme. He is apparently prepared to come for at least part of the time. Air Canada is prepared to provide him with a ticket.

It was suggested that an invitation to attend might also be sent to Ted Murphy of IFALPA.

It was agreed that the IFALDA Board should arrive in Chicago by early Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May when it is planned to hold the next Board Meeting.

Kathy Warner  
VP Administration