

MINUTES OF IFALDA AGM HELD ON 7TH MAY 2002, TORONTO

0925 President James Ford opened the meeting by welcoming all present and offering thanks to all those involved in the organisation of the event.

Permission was obtained to deviate from the published order of the agenda.

Minutes of Previous AGM

The Minutes of the AGM held in Konstanz, Germany May 2001 were approved – Proposed David Porter, seconded Gerry Elder.

Reports of Officers

Reports were delivered by the Executive Board members giving a brief update on their activities during the last year. VP West apologised on behalf of Captain Giguere, VP Ops Air Canada, who was unable to be present as published due to unforeseen operational circumstances.

Financial Report

VP Finance presented the Financial Report and Budget for the coming year. The Financial Report was accepted – Proposed Flemming Loevenvig, seconded Raul Aguirre, and the Budget for 2002/03 was also accepted – Proposed Gerald Clifford, seconded Bjarne Solvang.

Reports of Standing Committees and Study Groups

ICAO Annexe 6.

Mr Jim Gardner of the FAA gave a presentation on ICAO Annexe 6. He began by offering thanks to the Canadians for their help and co-operation in handling large numbers of aircraft on September 11 last.

He announced certain rule making changes within the FAA, some of which related to the dispatch rules for certification etc.

IOSA

Allan Rossmore reported on IFALDA's involvement in the IOSA (International Operations Safety Audit) programme.

JAA/FAA Harmonisation

Brad Rasmussen reported on the JAA/FAA Harmonisation process announcing that IFALDA had been represented at all of the harmonisation working group meetings. However, Operations is now a higher priority than licensing of personnel etc. Areas currently being worked on include ETOPS and MEL. IFALDA will participate in the Master MEL project. JAA is in process of transfer to EASA (European Air Safety Authority) whose decisions will be binding. IFALDA will continue to monitor JAA so long as it continues to be in existence.

Flight Dispatch Training Manual

David Porter updated the meeting on the proposed changes to the ICAO Flight Dispatch Training Manual (Document 7192) explaining the request from ICAO to update this manual as necessary. The main theme of the proposed changes centres around the need to give emphasis to the processes involved rather than the current wording which is more of a licensing vehicle. David stated that input from the membership would be welcome and should be passed to either himself, Gerald Clifford or Kathy Warner.

Election of Officers

The election of the following officers was conducted by VP Admin

President
Vice President West
Vice President Finance

Dr Allan Rossmore was elected as President as the sole candidate
Adrian Sandziuk was re-elected as Vice President West, there were no further nominations.
Rick Ketchersid was re-elected as Vice President Finance, again there were no further nominations.

The membership was asked to ratify the appointment of James Ford as Director of Information Technology in recognition of his and Yvonne Ford's expertise and help in this area, particularly the web site. This was agreed unanimously.

The business meeting was adjourned at 1130LT.

May 8th

The day began with some opening remarks and a presentation to James and Yvonne Ford in recognition of their valuable help and expertise over the last few years.

The remainder of the day comprised talks and presentations from invited guest speakers on a variety of aviation related topics.

Advancements in the Profession of Flight Dispatching

This item was introduced by Brad Rasmussen following the completion of the presentations. There were no new subjects raised for discussion.

AGM/Summit 2003

It was announced that it is planned to hold this event in Shannon, Eire, dates to be advised.

Kathy Warner
VP Admin 26/5/02