

CDG Board Meeting Minutes

INNSIDE Hotel,

Paris, France

May 11th, 2023

Attendees:

President - Russ Williams

VP Admin - Shelleyrae Niemi

VP Finance - Rick Ketchersid

VP West - Paul New

VP East - Sevda Tantan

Director of Standards - Tiago Ludgero

SALDA -Ken Kronborg

RET. President - Allen Rossmore

Director Membership - Brad Rasmussen

IFALDA - Richard Yeates

FRALDA President Francois Eraud

FRALDA VP - Marc Soussou

GALDA - Peter Ramroth

EUFALDA President Matthias Duerbeck

ICEALDA Omar Karlsson

ICEALDA Frodi Kristinsson

AirFrance – Loetitia Choupin

Opening Remarks:

Recap of last year. Russ issued paper to ICAO, developed by Tiago with high level assistance from Bernard & David. It was accepted, which made the process complete and a great learning experience for the process. Went over agenda for AGM. Russ & Paul represented IFALDA in TPA Jan 2023 at the ADF meeting. Main theme is Flight Dispatcher in the 21st century moving from whiz wheel, pencil & paper to automation. Theme is do we want to be agents of change or victims of it? Continue our pursuit of industry standards, work with regulators, move back & push forward to “be players in the industry.”

VP Paul:

Brought coins, visited with Dave while recovering. Sending well wishes to Dave.

VP Sevda:

Attended VOLEX meeting for VA

A new VA tool is being used

EASA proposed new regulations, with improved training for Flight Dispatchers in Europe. We will be commenting on the submission. Comments must be received by July 24th.

Announced transition to resign as VP from IFALDA and continue Secretary position for EUFALDA.

VP Shelleyrae:

Went over logistics for AGM agenda and events

DIR. Tiago

Working this past year on promotion of Dispatchers & promote IFALDA. How to approach getting our name and brand and profession more visible.

VP Rick

Summary of accounts, how money is collected.

BofA balance \$17912.20

PayPal balance \$17756.19

Planned AGM for 50 have 89 signed up, all dues must be paid prior to Saturday vote.

Dir. Brad:

Recap on new memberships

20ish new individual members

Ret. Pres. Allen Rossmore

Appreciated the invite.

IFALDA exists as an organization but not as a legal entity. IFALDA is incorporated in the state of FL, so the officers are protected. We have Allan as agent and need to move IFALDA HDQ to Montreal where the global aviation is located. We need a contact person. Cost approx. \$2500 for fees and to talk to an attorney. Brings status & legitimacy to the organization - respect.

“We are tiny in size but cast an enormously large shadow”

EUFALDA

Pres. Matthias:

Recap last year. Flight watch & flight following, flight tracking but no harmonized training in Europe. Was invited to participate in meeting about licensing in Europe.

Please keep Hans in our thoughts and prayers, he is having medical issues, was in the hospital. Slowly recovering.

SALDA Ken:

Some countries have license some don't, some enforce, some don't. Dispatcher cannot work across Europe unlike chefs and doctors. They require training but no standard license. These points will be filed in response to EASA's proposal.

Nigeria Rep John:

In attendance. Has big hurdles for VISA's. Thanks for the invitation. Propose to retain a letter from IFALDA to be a delegation for IFLADA for Government approval to create working organization NFALDA.

Open Items:

NOTAM Standardization-ADF is part of the team.

INFOShare-aviation conference.

Relationship with IFALPA, ICAO, FRALDA, CALDA, PADA, PADAN.

IFALDA has a new journal authored by Bernard, published twice per year.

If anyone wants presentation time on Saturday, please advise Russ.

Meeting adjourned @14:28