

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS

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March 25, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fernandez called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Members Participating

Commissioner Fernandez, Chair
Commissioner Bryson
Commissioner Fox
Commissioner Frudaker
Commissioner Sams
Commissioner Swindell
Commissioner Trueba
Commissioner Ulrich
Commissioner Viso, Vice-Chair

Members Not Participating

Commissioner Smith

Others Participating

Robyn Barineau, Executive Director
Elise Rice, Government Analyst
Michael Flury, Board Counsel
Galen Dunton, Board Consultant
Margaret Mathews, Esquire
Wayne Stubbs, Port of Panama City
Allen Thompson, Tampa Bay Pilots Association
Brian Seuter, Cumberland Pilots Association
Stuart Lilly, Florida Harbor Pilots Association (FHPA)
Gretchen Rayborn, FHPA
Hardee Kavanaugh, St. Johns Bar Pilots Association
Steve Gasecki, Canaveral Pilots Association
Ben Borgie, Canaveral Pilots Association
Clyde Mathis, Port of Pensacola

Chair Fernandez commented on the tragic death of Captain Frank Knowles and expressed the Board's sympathy and condolences to his family.

Chair Fernandez stated that the Board was going to amend the Agenda at this time to take up New Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Frudaker informed the Board that he was asking approval for a cross-licensed deputy for assistance in the Port of Panama City.

Following discussion, the following action was taken.

- MOTION:** Commissioner Bryson made a motion that the Board approve the request for a cross-licensed deputy for the Port of Panama City.
SECOND: Vice-Chair Viso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

After discussion, Commissioner Bryson agreed to amend the motion to request at least one cross-licensed deputy and Vice-Chair Viso seconded the amendment. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Frudaker asked that the Board approve a request for a deputy pilot from the March 2014 examination. He stated that he and Captain Knowles had been working to get the port back to three state pilots.

Following discussion, the following action was taken.

- MOTION:** Commissioner Ulrich made a motion that the Board approve the request for a deputy pilot for the Port of Panama City from the March 2014 examination.
SECOND: Commissioner Trueba seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Frudaker thanked everyone for their support during this time.

Mr. Clyde Mathis, Port of Pensacola, stated that there was only one pilot now for the Port of Pensacola. Chair Fernandez stated that Captain Knowles was their cross-licensed deputy, and they need additional assistance.

- MOTION:** Commissioner Bryson made a motion that the Board approve at least one cross-licensed deputy for the Port of Pensacola.
SECOND: Vice-Chair Viso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Mathis inquired about the time frame for obtaining the cross-licensed deputy. Commander Dunton responded that the pilot would have to complete 12 round trips at the port, apply for their federal endorsement, and then take the examination.

REQUEST FOR TWO YEAR CERTIFICATE

Nathan Cook, St. Johns Bar Pilots Association

Chair Fernandez stated that Captain Kavanaugh had sent a letter requesting the Board issue a two year certificate for Captain Cook on April 1, 2013.

- MOTION:** Commissioner Bryson made a motion that the Board approve the request for a two year certificate for Captain Nathan Cook with the St. Johns Bar Pilots Association, effective April 1, 2013.

SECOND: Commissioner Frudaker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF DEPUTY PILOT TRAINING PROGRAM

St. Johns Bar Pilots Association

Chair Fernandez stated that Captain McGill had submitted a change in the Training Plan for the Board's approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Bryson made a motion that the Board approve the changes to the Deputy Pilot Training Program as submitted.

SECOND: Vice-Chair Viso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Swindell suggested that there be a mechanism in place to reimburse state pilots for travel and other expenses associated with their duties as a cross-licensed deputy pilot.

Captain Stuart Lilly, President of the Florida Harbor Pilots Association, stated that he would bring this up at the next meeting and report back to the Board at their next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.