

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Pilot Commissioners Board**

#### General Information

**Meeting Type:** General Board Meeting

**Meeting Date:** October 7-8, 2004, Radisson Riverwalk Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida

**Board Members:**     **Pilot Commissioners**  
Victoria Robas, Chair  
Cheryl Phipps, Vice Chair  
Eugene Sweeney  
Michael Buffington  
Earl McMillin  
David Leech  
Richard Frudaker  
Donald Molitor  
John Hiers  
Rivers Buford

**Other Attendees:**   Anthony Spivey, Executive Director  
Elise Rice, Government Analyst I  
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney  
Ed Tellechea, Assistant Attorney General  
Galen Dunton, Board Consultant

#### **Major Issues/Actions**

- The pilot board reviewed the financial statements for the fourth quarter and made adjustments that would maintain a minimum operating cash balance. An increase was provided in the categories for the attorney general office and the general counsel's office because of anticipated cases that will be presented to the Department of Administrative Hearings (DOAH). The increase in expense will be utilized to defend the board in each of the cases. The board was informed that the accounting of the financial statements will change from a quarter-to-quarter reconciliation basis to a cumulative month-to-month reconciliation. The board is pleased with the representation of the financial statements. Upon final review of the financial statements, the board voted to increase the pilotage assessment fee from 0.6 percent to 1.0 percent effective January 1, 2005. The budget approved by the board will be presented to the department for review.
  
- The deputy pilot appointments were announced during the board meeting for the Ports of Palm Beach and Everglades. Captain Reid Hansen was appointed to the Port of Palm Beach, and Captains Rickie Montoya and Jeff Robben were appointed to the Port of Port Everglades.

- The prosecuting attorney apprised the board of the current case load pending and upon presenting the information, the board was grateful that the information is being provided which allows the board to monitor its finances in a more prudent manner relative to case costs.

### **Legislation/Rule Promulgation**

- The board reviewed the proposed military spouse rule that allows licensees to be exempt from licensure renewal requirements when they accompany their military spouse outside the state of Florida. The Joint Administrative Procedures Committee (JAPC) rejected the previously submitted language proposed by the board. Board counsel will redraft new language and present it during the January 2005 meeting for approval and then re-present the rule to JAPC for approval. The Executive Director advised the board that they should review their current statutes and rules and update where necessary. The Board Chair agreed with the Executive Director's assessment.

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Anthony B. Spivey  
Executive Director  
October 11, 2004