

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Board of Pilot Commissioners

I. General Information

Meeting Type: Finance Committee, Rules Committee, Probable Cause Panel and General Business Meetings
Meeting Date: Thursday, July 17, 2008, and Friday, July 18, 2008
Meeting Location: Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty Six
2301 SE 17th Street Causeway
Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Attendees:

Commissioner Cheryl Phipps, Chair
Commissioner Eric Bryson, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Frances “Fran” Bohnsack
Commissioner Harold “Hap” Brandenburg
Commissioner Rivers H. Buford, Jr.
Commissioner Richard “Rick” Frudaker
Commissioner Jeffrey Jones
Commissioner Donald “Don” N. Molitor
Elise Rice, Government Analyst, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Julie Rowland, Administrative Assistant, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Charles Tunnickliff, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Michael Flury, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Legal Affairs
Galen W. Dunton, Consultant
Warren Husband, Counsel for Florida State Pilots Association
Stephen Gasecki, Vice-President, Florida State Pilots Association
Gretchen Rayborn, Executive Liaison, Florida State Pilots Association
Allen L. Thompson, Jr., Executive Director, Tampa Bay Pilots Association
John Atchison, St. Johns Bar Pilot Association
Drew Winters, Durst & Harnden, P.L.
David Leech
Chirs Marlow
Ernie Voisin, Florida Docking Masters

II. Major Issues/Actions

- Chair Cheryl Phipps excused Commissioner John Fernandez from the board meeting.

- Vice Chair Eric Bryson discussed the financial report with the Board, and the decision was to wait until the next meeting to determine if the gross pilotage assessment rate needed to be adjusted.
- The board discussed Rule 61G14-11.007, Florida Administrative Code, Documents Issued, regarding the evaluation process for Deputy Pilots during their training period and did not take any action.
- Mr. Charles Tunncliff, Assistant General Counsel, reported there are currently 11 pilot cases in the legal department. The board agreed to allow Mr. Tunncliff to continue processing the three year-old pilot cases in the legal department.
- Chair Phipps reported on her attendance at the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) panel hearing related to the NTSB's investigation into the accident in which the M/V Cosco Busan spilled fuel oil after striking the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. Chair Phipps stated that the physicals were a concern to the panel and they will review the suggestions when they are released. She reported that the panel was pleased with the disciplinary process that was in place in Florida.
- The Probable Cause Panel closed two cases with no finding of probable cause, requested the issuance of one letter of guidance in lieu of finding probable cause, and one case was referred for further investigation.
- Ms. Elise Rice read a letter prepared by Ms. Robyn Barineau regarding her absence from the meeting and thanking everyone for their kindness during her recovery from surgery.
- Ms. Rice asked the members to consider the following meeting dates and locations:
 - Thursday, January 29, and Friday, January 30, 2009 – Pensacola
 - Wednesday, April 29, and Thursday, April 30, 2009 OR Monday April 20, and Tuesday April 21– Ft. Pierce
 - Thursday, July 23, and Friday, July 24, 2009 – Fernandina Beach
 - Thursday, October 1, and Friday, October 2, 2009 - Tampa
- The board approved requests for the state pilot examinations for: Sam Stephenson – Port Everglades, David Ulrich – Port Everglades, and Travis Bacon - Tampa
- The board approved the requests for two year certificates for: Narayan Mons – Jacksonville, Stephen Sottak – Tampa, and Gregg MacLaren - Tampa.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- No action taken.

IV. Action Required

Elise Rice, Government Analyst for
Robyn Barineau, Executive Director
July 22, 2008