

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Board of Pilot Commissioners

I. General Information

Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Meeting Date: Thursday, January 23, 2014,
and Friday, January 24, 2014
Meeting Location: Country Inn and Suites
9009 Astronaut Boulevard
Cape Canaveral, Florida

Attendees:

Commissioner John Fernandez, Chair
Commissioner John Fox
Commissioner Carolyn Kurtz
Commissioner Stephen Nielsen
Commissioner Carlos Trueba
Commissioner David Ulrich
Commissioner Cliff Walters

Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, Department of Business and Professional
Regulation (DBPR)

Elise Rice, Government Analyst, DBPR

Erica White, Chief Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, DBPR

Michael Flury, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

Galen Dunton, Consultant

Stuart Lilly, President, Florida Harbor Pilots Association (FHPA)

Steve Gasecki, FHPA

Warren Husband, Attorney for FHPA

Gretchen Winters, FHPA

Ben Borgie, FHPA

Allen L. Thompson, Jr., Executive Director, Tampa Bay Pilots Association
(TBPA)

Jorge Viso, American Pilots Association

Jay Weingart, St. Johns Bar Pilot Association

Doug Mutter, Canaveral Pilots Association (CPA)

Thomas Grimison, CPA

Matt Lynch, CPA

Sam Stephenson, Port Everglades Pilots Association

Dan Ramsey, Florida Docking Masters Association

Dave Fath, Lake Charles Pilots

Diana Brundage, Court Reporter

II. Major Issues/Actions

- Chair John Fernandez excused Commissioner Bob Swindell from the meeting.
- Commissioner Carlos Trueba mentioned that he reviewed the board's financial report for the period ending September 30, 2013, and there is a healthy balance in the account. He suggested the gross pilotage assessment rate remain at the current rate until further notice.
- The board discussed the memo from Commissioner Fox relating to possible changes to Chapter 310, Florida Statutes. After discussion, the board asked Ms. Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, to develop a matrix with all the items listed in Commissioner Fox's letter and submit the matrix to all members as soon as possible so that the responses can be compiled and included in the February 11, 2014, agenda materials.
- Ms. Erica White, Chief Attorney, informed the board that there were nine pilot cases in the Office of General Counsel, all of which are scheduled to be heard by the Probable Cause Panel on February 11, 2014.
- Chair Fernandez mentioned that there have been four deputy pilot advancement committee meetings since the last board meeting.
- Mr. Mike Flury, Assistant Attorney General, will provide a copy of draft language related to recent legislation regarding public comment at meetings. The board agreed to send this issue to the Rules Committee to determine whether or not a rule is necessary to implement this legislation.
- The board approved the request of the St. Andrews Bar Pilots Association to issue a permanent deputy pilot license to Captain Zachary Condon.
- The board approved the following individuals to sit for the March 2014 state pilot exam:
 - Martin Poole – Biscayne Bay Pilots Association
 - Geoffrey Pool – Biscayne Bay Pilots Association
 - Nathan Cook – St. Johns Bar Pilot Association
- The board denied the request of the Biscayne Bay Pilots Association to allow Captain Christopher Kincaid to sit for the March 2014 state pilot exam as he is not currently in his last level of deputy pilot training as required by board rule.
- The following individuals were approved to sit for the March 2014 deputy pilot examination for Port Everglades:
 - Justin Allen
 - Karl Austin
 - Dane Britt
 - Joseph Casais
 - Justin Facciolo
 - Tevor Gill
 - Matthew Krohn
 - Dustin Leserra
 - Thomas Lisante
 - Edward Markuske

- James Maye
- Andrew Mayher
- Brendon McDonnell
- Corwin Mendenhall
- Sean Morrissey
- Keith Morton
- Kaitlin O'Brien
- Timothy Porter
- Angelo Raimondi
- Matthew Riley
- Benjamin Rosson
- Mark Ruppert
- Ryan Sweeney
- Jason Teal
- Michael Villa
- The following individuals were approved to sit for the March 2014 deputy pilot examination for the Port of Key West:
 - John Aristei
 - Michael Finnigan
 - Braxton Lumford
 - James Moore
 - Robert Moore, II
 - Matthew Riley
 - Mark Ruppert
 - Thomas Sellers
 - Charles Zenter
- The following individuals were approved to sit for the March 2014 deputy pilot examination for the Port of Panama City:
 - Patrick Delaney
 - Brett Monthie
- The board denied the requests of the following individuals to sit for the March 2014 deputy pilot examinations as follows:
 - Eric Baker (Port Everglades) – did not have the required sea service
 - Louis Boone (Port of Key West) – did not have the required sea service
 - Justin Conway (Port Everglades and Port of Key West) - did not have the required sea service
 - Jason Gibson (Port Everglades) - did not have the required sea service
 - Harold Gill (Port of Panama City) - did not have the required sea service
 - Ryan Malcolm (Port Everglades, Port of Key West, and Port of Panama City) - did not have the required sea service
 - Christopher Moran (Port Everglades and Port of Key West) - did not have the required sea service
 - Brian Vaughan (Port Everglades) - did not have the required sea service

- Chair of the Pilotage Rate Review Committee, Carlos Trueba, mentioned the application that was recently filed to decrease pilotage rates in the Port of Miami.
- The board will conduct a telephone conference meeting, if necessary, on March 12, 2014, to approve a possible increase in the number of deputy pilot openings requested by Port Everglades, the Port of Key West, and the Port of Panama City.
- The board conducted their annual review of Board Consultant, Galen Dunton, and indicated that a letter will be sent to Secretary Lawson expressing their pleasure with his performance.
- Commissioner John Fox and Commissioner Carolyn Kurtz were elected Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, of the Board of Pilot Commissioners.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Mr. Flury will provide a copy of draft language related to recent legislation regarding public comment at meetings for consideration at the next meeting.
- All members will complete the legislative matrix and return their responses to board staff for compilation and inclusion in the February 11, 2014, agenda.

IV. Action Required

- There was no additional action required.

Robyn Barineau
Executive Director
January 28, 2014