

MEETING OF THE VATSIM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
QUARTER 2 – 2013
SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2013 20:00Z
LOCATION: ONLINE (TEAMSPEAK)

PRESENT:

- Amir Paz (AP) – RD VATSIM Africa Middle East
- Thomas Mathieu (TM) – DRD VATSIM Africa Middle East
- Alfred Tang (AT) – RD VATSIM Asia
- Anastasios Stefopoulos – DRD VATSIM Asia
- Apostolos Damkalis (AD) – RD VATSIM Europe
- Stephan Reitingger (SR) – DRD VATSIM Europe
- Nicola Felini (NF) – RD VATSIM North America
- Mark Richards (MR, Chair) – RD VATSIM Oceania

1. WELCOME

Meeting Opened at 20:15 hours.

MR welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially to Thomas George who was currently stepping in as Acting Regional Director for VATSIM South America following Daniel's resignation. MR publicly acknowledged the work that Daniel had completed in the four years he as Regional Director for VATSIM South America.

2. APOLOGIES

Peter Nielsen (PN) – Vice President Regions

Steven Cullen (SC) – VATSIM President – Arrived at the meeting at 21:30z

Thomas George (TG) – Acting RD VATSIM South America

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: Minutes from the previous meeting be taken as read and accepted.

Moved: MR. Seconded: NF. MOTION CARRIED.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

5. BOARD OF GOVERNORS REPORT

Due to PN being ill, there was no BoG report at this quarterly meeting.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. *COMBINED EC/BOG MEETING (MR)*

MR thanked those who attended the meeting and it was beneficial to get to know one another.

Amir suggested that the next meeting should focus on one to two major topics. i.e. W14.

b. *GRP PROCEDURAL TOWERS:*

Following feedback from the BoG and Founders, a revised amendment to Section 4.6 of the GRP with regard to Procedural Towers was circulated via the Executive Committee Email list, which was agreed upon for ratification at this meeting.

MOTION: That the GRP amendments to Section 4.6 as circulated by email be accepted.

Moved: MR. Seconded: NF. MOTION CARRIED.

c. *W14*

MR advised he is most likely unable to attend due to the costs of coming from Australia. A number of other RDs are planning to attend. For similar reasons, AT is also unable to make it.

d. *TRANSFER AND VISITING CONTROLLER POLICY (NF)*

NF had circulated a draft revised Transfer and Visiting Controller Policy.

MR acknowledged excellent work that NF has done in preparing the draft.

NF to update the draft and circulate it to the EC Mailing List for voting.

e. *SOLO VALIDATIONS*

PN had circulated a note to the EC reminding us that we needed to get Divisions to provide data to the tool that Luca had produced so that Controllers validated to operate solo appeared correctly on the VATSIM Supervisor tool. Details at <http://forums.vatsim.net/viewtopic.php?f=68&t=62373>

f. *HIT SQUAD*

PN had circulated a note to the EC reminding us to plan where to utilise the VATSIM Hit Squad. AT advised that he was working with VATSEA to bring the Hit Squad into Singapore. Other RDs looking at possible allocations for the Hit Squad.

g. *DELIVERY AT A MAJOR AIRPORT*

PN had circulated a note to the EC suggesting that DEL controllers should not be subject to the provisions of the GRP in respect of Major Airports. Discussion was held over until PN is able to speak to the discussion.

h. *AFRICA*

AP had a meeting with African Division Directors meeting recently. The plan is to merge to a single Africa division to consolidate efforts and then create vACCs if needed. It will also help to better manage the Overland FSS.

i. *NOTAMS*

AP recommended a standard NOTAM system available across VATSIM that relate to VATSIM only. This is supported by the EC but once the remainder of the essential Web Services jobs are completed.

j. *ISRAEL*

AP advised that the Israeli division is attending the Aviation Museum and marketing VATSIM at a 100 years of aviation in Israel.

Motion to close the meeting.

Moved: MR. Seconded: NF. 21:51z.