

# MEETING OF THE VATSIM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## QUARTER 2 – 2014

SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2014 20:00Z

LOCATION: ONLINE (TEAMSPEAK)

### PRESENT:

- Amir Paz (AP) – RD VATSIM Africa Middle East
- Anastasios Stefopoulos (AS) – RD VATSIM Asia
- Apostolos Damkalis (AD) – RD VATSIM Europe
- Nicola Felini (NF) – RD VATSIM North America
- Mark Richards (MR, Chair) – RD VATSIM Oceania
- Federico Navarro (FN) – RD VATSIM South America
- Peter Nielsen (PN) – Vice President Regions

### 1. WELCOME

Meeting Opened at 20:05 hours.

### 2. APOLOGIES

Nil

### 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

#### a. TRANSFER & VISITING CONTROLLER POLICY

- i. This is to be held over while a complete review of VATSIM CoR 1.01A is reviewed and distributed by the BoG, as there has to be a flow over into the T&VC policy.
- ii. There has been no update on these changes so this is still a work in progress.

#### b. SOLO VALIDATION COMPLIANCE

- i. Regions to continue monitor this.
- ii. MR to send out the details to the EC Email list on how to create the lists to have them appear in the VATSIM 'official' Solo Validation list ([http://www.vatsim.net/atc\\_solo](http://www.vatsim.net/atc_solo))

#### c. UPDATE ON AFRICA DIVISIONS

- i. There is a project team working on a roadmap to combining the Africa divisions. Deon Matthews is leading the project and information will start to be released as information comes to hand.
- ii. Plan to distribute the roadmap to the EC in the next week.

d. POLITICAL SITUATION IN AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST

- i. It was decided that the statistics didn't demonstrate the need to be published as a Region policy
- ii. AD advised that the situation in Ukraine has not seen any major issues.

**ITEM CLOSED**

e. SOUTH EAST ASIA DIVISION DIRECTOR UPDATE

- i. AS updated the meeting on VATSEA.
- ii. Everything is way more settled.
- iii. Having trouble finding staff with web design experience both for the Division and the Region. Suggested that AS put a request in the VATSIM Webmaster forum to assist.
- iv. Hong Kong vACC to remain in VATSEA for now.
- v. Hit Squad has been asked to assist but there has not been a lot of activity from them as yet. AS has spoken with Florian and Chris Mauro to assist.
- vi. Importantly, since the last EC Quarterly meeting there has been an increase in online ATC.

**ITEM CLOSED**

f. UPDATE ON VATSIM EUROPE STAFF POSITIONS

- i. AD has worked with a new Division Director and all is moving ahead well.
- ii. VATEUD is looking for a new Web Services Director and VATEUR is working on the Joint Web Services Project.

**ITEM CLOSED**

5. BOARD OF GOVERNORS REPORT

- i. There will be a new VP Supervisors in the next three weeks. Otherwise, nothing else to report as everything is ticking over business as usual.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. *GRP REVIEW*

***20:46z - Motion: Move into Executive Session. Moved: MR. Seconded: NF. MOTION CARRIED.***

***21:37z - Motion: Move out of Executive Session. Moved: NF. Seconded: MR. MOTION CARRIED.***

It was agreed that there was a need to review the GRP to ensure that it still met the needs and demands of VATSIM in 2014. There is still significant variance in the success of controllers moving through ratings quickly and having concentrated training efforts to move forward in order to provide better ATC coverage to all members.

NF will arrange a meeting of the VATNA Training Directors to gauge the level of commitment to reviewing the background to how GRP could be structured to achieve more of what it was originally set up to do. MR to support NF at the meeting

**ACTION: NF to arrange meeting of VATNA Training Directors and advise MR of the date and time.**

b. *CERT ACCESS*

MR outlined that there had been an issue in the quarter with regard to some members accessing CERT. The VATUSA DRCM investigated the matter. MR recorded his appreciation for the manner in which Michael McClelland handled the investigation. While one member was exonerated by the DCRM, their CERT access remains suspended. MR said that it was a timely reminder for all members with CERT access to be able to account for any CERT access they might make and the need for confidentiality.

It was agreed that there was a lack of training and instructions when CERT access was granted. NF advises that has a preformatted email that he sends to VATNA staff members when they are granted CERT access so that he has a record of them being fully and fairly informed about what they should and should not do with information from CERT.

**ACTION: NF to share this letter with other RDs**

***Meeting closed at 21:53z.***