



# **VATSIM Executive Committee**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Regular Quarter 2 Meeting

July 30, 2016

### **I. Call to order**

Chairman Nicola Felini (NF) – North America Region called to order the Regular of the VATSIM Executive Committee at 2119z on July 30, 2016 on TeamSpeak.

### **II. Roll call**

#### **A. Present:**

Regional Director Thomas Mathieu (**TM**) – Africa & Middle East Region

Regional Director Anastasios Stefopoulos (**AS**) – Asia Region

Regional Director Apostolos Damkalis (**AD**) – Europe Region

Chairman Nicola Felini (**NF**) – North America Region

Regional Director Jackson Harding (**JH**) – Oceania Region

#### **B. Apologies:**

#### **C. Auditors:**

President Kyle Ramsey (**KM**) – Board of Governors

Division Director Don Desfosse (**DD**) – United States Division

Division Director Florian Harms (**FH**) – Europe Division

Deputy Regional Director Ira Robinson (**IR**) – North America Region

Vice President of Regions (**PN**) – Board of Governors

Mister Richard Jenkins (**RJ**) – Founder

Vice President Brian Pryor (**BP**) – Board of Governors

Deputy Regional Director Mahmoud Fadli (**MF**) - Africa & Middle East Region



### III. Approval of minutes stemming from the last meeting

- A. The minutes, having previously been circulated, were presented to the committee.
- **A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented**

**MOTION – NF**

**SECOND – TM**

TM – Aye  
AS – Aye  
AD – Aye  
NF – Aye  
JH – Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

### IV. General Business

A. Africa Division status - **TM**

- Staffing changes
- Discussion on transfer issues
  - Templates that users receive when they transfer

B. S1 Transfers – **PN, NF**

- Discussion on allowing an S1 rated controller to transfer without limitation
- S1 contains no competencies
- Logistics
- Burden on Divisions and vACCs
- **A motion was made to allow S1 rated controllers to transfer between Divisions and Regions, without restriction, for a temporary period beginning on August 7, 2016 and terminating on October 7, 2016.**

**MOTION – NF**

**SECOND – AS**

TM – Aye  
AS – Aye  
AD – Aye  
NF – Aye  
JH – Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**



C. Global Rating Policy - Recurrency Training – **NF, DD**

- Return of controllers on extended leave
- Discussion on recurrency training requirements
  - Non-Major versus Major facility need for recurrency training
- Discussion on topics published on the VATSIM forums
- Cost analysis of mistakes versus need for recurrency
  
- **DD** would like to come back with a proposal for recurrency training
- **In the interest of time, and necessity to discuss this matter further, it will be tabled for the next session.**

D. Global Rating Policy – **NF**

- Discussion on Region training policies
  - Network GRP only containing rating definitions
- The consensus of all Region Directors was that the GRP works for their needs
- Discussion on the public VATSIM forum GRP thread
- GRP audit team
- VATUSA and VATEUD – opinions on GRP
- E.C. wishes to own audit responsibilities

**TOPIC CLOSED – NO FURTHER ACTION**

E. Region Reports – **JH**

- Discussion on E-Mail template previously submitted
- The goal is one single template for all Region Directors
- Include events, pilot information, statistics
- Discussion on quarterly goals of Regions
- In the interest of time, this topic was held open for further E-Mail discussion
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**V. Reports**

A. Regions

- Africa and Middle East Region - **TM**
  - Region stabilization in full force
  - Members returning to the Region from IVAO
  - Spreading the power back to the Divisions



- Europe Region – **AD**
  - Local vACC training programs
  - New Deputy Division Director in the U.K.
- North America Region – **NF**
  - VATCAN – New Division Director
  - VATCAN - New self-paced Division training program starting
  - Region ATO open and seeing positive enrollment
  - VATUSA – Slow but steady increase in members
  - VATUSA – Sharing of training resources between vACC
- Oceania Region – **JH**
  - Slow incremental growth in both Divisions
  - Solid increase in ATC numbers (membership up 10%)
  - Increase in training requests
  - VATPAC – Resource management
  - World Flight Planning

#### B. Board of Governors - **KR**

- E-Mails templates for inactive members
- Social media initiatives
- Introduction to new V.P. – Brian Pryor
  - Promotional materials
- Combining BoG roles
- Accountability and transparency
- CoC review

#### **CHAIR TO TM**

- Discussion on Instructor and Mentor positions
- Future of VATSIM

#### **VI. Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Region Director Thomas Mathieu adjourned the meeting at 0024z.

Minutes submitted by: Chairman Nicola Felini

Minutes approved on:

Minutes approved by: