

INTERNATIONAL LORAN ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 114th Meeting of the Board of Directors.

1. Call to Order

The 114th meeting of the Board of Directors was convened at 4:45 pm on 15 November, 1995, in the Madison Suite of the Westfields Conference Center, Chantilly, VA, by President Dale Johnson. An agenda and supporting documents were provided at the meeting.

2. Election Results

President Johnson announced the results of the elections, resulting in addition of Bill Brogden and Dave Olsen to the Board.

3. Attendance, Proxies and Statement of Quorum

The following Board members were in attendance:

Dale Johnson, President
Walt Dean, Secretary
Bob Lilley, Past President
John Beukers
Bill Brogden
Mike Moroney
Dave Olsen
Linn Roth

The secretary reported that the number of Directors present constituted a quorum, but did not equal the two-thirds required for ratification of amendments to the By-Laws.

4. Acceptance of Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the 113th meeting were accepted with the deletion of the last paragraph in Section 6.

5. Finance Committee

Since Carl Andren was not reelected a member of the Board, President Johnson appointed Walt Dean to be Secretary-Treasurer, and formed a new Finance Committee consisting of Carl Andren and Frank Cassidy to handle financial affairs.

6. IALA Conference in South Africa

Johnson reported on the IALA conference in Cape Town which he had just attended. David Last's keynote speech set the tone of the meeting. They all recognize that GPS is here and will be used, but all believe in the need for a mix of systems. Many are opting for

Loran-C. South Africa has Decca, but the contract expires in 1998, and the contract will not be renewed.

7. Moscow 1995 Convention

Beukers presented an expense report for the groundwork done for the Moscow convention prior to the ILA withdrawal, showing a balance of about \$1600. It was noted that this account still lacked the contribution of INA. There was no word on when that might be settled.

8. Revision of Constitution and By-Laws

Bob Lilley presented a draft of proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws, reflecting the name change and gender-neutral designations. It was decided to use the term "Chair" instead of "chairman" and to rework to avoid use of "his". Article VII of the By-Laws was revised to separate out the \$5.00 initiation fee, and to raise the dues approximately 25%. Lilley will rework the draft and submit it to the Board before sending it out for membership vote.

9. Aviation Management Consultants

Larry Barnett, of Aviation Management Consultants, has done an outstanding job of lobbying in Congress on behalf of the Loran system this year. He has been supported by Megapulse, but they cannot support him for a number of months starting in October. A motion was made and passed that ILA support Larry for a period of six months at a level of \$1500 per month, to continue to persuade Congress not to terminate U.S. Loran-C operation in the year 2000. The effect of this lobbying activity on government members of the ILA was discussed. It was agreed that an ideal solution would be to use funds not derived from government members' dues to support Larry. The possibility of requesting voluntary contributions from members for that purpose was suggested, but the issue was tabled for action at the next BOD meeting.

10. Silver Anniversary Convention

Bob Lilley has volunteered to chair the 25th annual convention next year, and has recruited John Beukers as Technical Chair. It is planned to be held in San Diego, as a real silver anniversary party. The tentative schedule calls for social events to start on Sunday, and technical sessions to run from Monday through Thursday. The concept met with general approval, pending further details.

11. 1997 Meeting

There had been plans to meet in the Netherlands in 1996, but the San Diego meeting supersedes this. There has been some discussion with Andre Nieuwland about meeting there in 1997. No specific assignment of responsibility was made. The 1997 convention will be discussed at the first 1996 Board teleconference.

12. E-Mail

Board meetings by teleconference have cost approximately \$700, which is much cheaper than travel costs, but still appreciable. Johnson suggested that e-mail, which is quite inexpensive, could be used to discuss matters prior to a teleconference, cutting the time required, presently about 1.5 hours, down to perhaps half that. A draft phone list giving e-mail addresses for 10 of the directors was distributed. It was noted that, since e-mail is not strictly private, care in selection of words is important.

13. Committee for a Balanced Radionavigation Policy

It was questioned whether Linn Roth's Committee for a Balanced Radionavigation Policy had outlived its usefulness. The consensus was that it had not, but perhaps it should be renamed Government Affairs Committee and given a specific charter. It was agreed to discuss this further at the next BOD meeting.

14. Printing of Constitution

Bob Lilley reported that it would cost \$660 to print 500 copies of the revised Constitution, using the same printer as before, and he requested suggestions for cost saving. One suggestion was to print it in standard letter size format instead of the folded booklet. No action was taken. This will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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Minutes of Annual Membership Meeting, 16 November, 1995

The annual meeting of the International Loran Association was called to order by President Dale Johnson in the Westfields International Conference Center at 5:45 pm.

President Johnson announced that he had been reelected for one year, and the Board of Directors for 1996 would consist of Jim Alexander, Carl Andren, John Beukers, Bill Brogden, Jim Culbertson, Frank Cassidy, Walt Dean, John Illgen, David Last, Bob Lilley, Mike Moroney, Dave Olsen, Bill Roland, Linn Roth and Durk van Willigen.

Linn Roth, reporting on the Washington situation, said there have been all negative responses from top levels of DOT. However, Larry Barnett has been instrumental in getting language into the DOT authorization bill requiring the Coast Guard to consult with users in studying the utility of the loran system and the possibility of alternate funding.

Carl Andren reported that the Association has 31,106 in the bank at present. The major expenditures have been publication of the newsletter and the stipend to the Operations Center. There is hope that this meeting will break even financially.

Dale Johnson commented that the operations center requires much voluntary work from the Lilleys to perform as it does.

Bob Lilley announced the 1996 convention in San Diego to be held November 3-7. He will be chairman, with technical co-chairmen John Beukers and Tom Gunther.

Bill Brogden spoke to request communications by e-mail for newsletter contributions, as it simplifies getting text into print.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.