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AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON TRAINEE RECRUITMENT

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MINUTES

10:00 a.m.

The Board of Pilot Commissioners Ad Hoc Working Group on Trainee Recruitment met on November 13, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the Board of Pilot Commissioners office, 660 Davis Street, San Francisco, California. In attendance were Committee members Chairman Barbara Price, Commissioners Wainwright, and Cronin, and San Francisco Bar Pilot (SFBP) Will Lemke. Staff members present were Executive Director Allen Garfinkle, Board Counsel Dennis Eagan, Staff Services Analyst Kelly Dolcini and Office Technician Sigrid Hjelle.

Open session:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Chairman Barbara Price called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and had Staff Services Analyst Kelly Dolcini call roll. Committee members present, in addition to Chairman Price, were Commissioners Wainwright and Cronin, as well as SFBP Capt. Will Lemke, constituting a quorum.

2. Reading and approval of minutes from September 6, 2012, October 4, 2012, and October 30, 2012 meetings.

The minutes of October 4, 2012 were approved with Barbara Price abstaining.

3. Review related correspondence.

There was no related correspondence.

4. Review and discuss changes to threshold requirements recommended by SFBP Committees. Draft regulations consistent with changes. Possible Committee action to recommend changes to full Board. Possible Committee action to recommend to full Board to assign changes to the Rules and Regulation Committee for formal rulemaking.

Board Counsel Dennis Eagan discussed the proposed changes to regulation. He mentioned that all sea time records should be submitted under penalty of perjury.

There was a protracted discussion of the point schedule, and particularly the points available for completing 100 moves while holding a federal 1600 ton master license. It was apparent that there was not unanimous agreement among the various stakeholders and the point schedule should go back to the Pilot Evaluation Committee and the SFBP Policy Committee.

During the discussion of points for piloting experience, the Committee decided to leave in the reference to “full time” piloting to further define the type of experience contemplated.

Board Counsel Eagan provided a writing concerning the rationale for the changes to regulation which is suitable to be used as a statement of reasons for regulatory approval. Following review of this document Commissioner Wainwright moved to accept the regulation statement of reasons. Capt. Will Lemke seconded the motion and the Committee approved the document of a voice vote.

5. Public Comment on Matters not on the Agenda.

There were no comments.

6. Proposals for Additions to Next Month's Agenda.

There was a proposal to revisit regulation (e)(4)(D) which allows someone who has been employed in the maritime industry in a position closely associated with the operation and navigation of vessels during at least two of the last three years. It was agreed this would be taken up at the next meeting.

7. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen Garfinkle
Executive Director