

Minutes Open Session	Pilot Power Committee Meeting Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun	Date: January 13, 2015
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Committee Members Present

Capt. Joe Long (Chair)
John Schneider
Dave Connolly
Capt. Pete McIsaac

Staff Present

Allen Garfinkle, Executive Director
Roma Cristia-Plant, Assistant Director
Kelly Dolcini, Staff Services Analyst
Sigrid Hjelle, Office Technician

Public Present

San Francisco Bar Pilots (SFBP) President. Pete McIsaac, SFBP Capts. Steve Roberts and George Livingstone, SFBP Counsel Ray Paetzold

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

The meeting was chaired by Capt. Long, who called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m., and noted that there was a quorum present.

2. Approval of Minutes of the July 8, 2014 Committee Meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Connolly moved to approve the minutes from the July 8, 2014 meeting. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion

ACTION: The Committee unanimously approved the motion on a voice vote.

3. Review results of latest retirement survey sent to Pilots in December 2014

The Committee reviewed the latest retirement survey and predicted pilot retirements for the next seven years. They discussed the practicality of adding more trainees to the Trainee Training Program. Mr. Paetzold will suggest that the PEC review its acceptable maximum number of trainees.

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4. Assessment of the adequacy in current number of pilots and pilot trainees, projected needs through December 2015, including reviewing the most recent 7 CCR subsection 237(d) data. Develop possible recommendation to the Board regarding contracting with additional pilot trainees for entry into the training program.

The Committee discussed the most recent §237(d) data as compared to previous years. Of particular interest to the Committee members was the number of jobs a pilot can complete in a shift. The number varies based on distance a ship needs to travel to its dock. The shorter the job, the more jobs that can be completed in a day. If a ship goes all the way upriver to Sacramento or Stockton, the Pilot will only complete one job on a particular day. During their first year on the job, pilots need to be supervised during their work on certain size ships, which affects availability of more experienced pilots. Additionally, ultra large container vessels calling in the Bay require an additional pilot to assist with navigation.

The discussion continued on to cover the trends in tanker sizes and increase in ship movements at the Port of Stockton. Mr. Connolly requested a bigger look back at the §237(d) data. Capt. Long suggested that he could bring annual reports and possibly a 5-year look back at the information. Capt. McIsaac will provide a 10-year look back at the Committee’s next meeting.

5. Public comment on matters not on the agenda.

There were none.

6. Proposals for additions to next Committee meeting agenda.

There were no proposals for additions to the next meeting agenda.

7. Adjournment.

Capt. Long adjourned the Pilot Power Committee meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Allen Garfinkle. Executive Director