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Peachtree City P.U.B.: Over 200 pilots and their family members gathered for an evening of food, music and planes at Falcon Field on Wednesday June 19th. The great weather and beautiful backdrop made it a great way to spend an evening outdoors. ([Click here for photos](#)) Keep an eye out for future P.U.B. dates!

Virgin Atlantic: The Negotiating Committee met with their Virgin Atlantic (BALPA) counterparts this week for discussions related to the JV.

DOJ and EC Give Blessing: Yesterday, the European Commission and the US Department of Justice gave their approval for Delta's purchase of a 49 percent share of Virgin Atlantic. While this decision allows the corporate transaction to occur, the Delta-Virgin joint venture must still pass the scrutiny of the U.S. Department of Transportation. That approval process can take several months and a decision is anticipated in the fall.

TOT Report: From September 2012 through February 2013, teams from Flight Operations and ALPA met to discuss possible process improvements in areas relating to training and standards. The results are available in the [Training Optimization Team II Report and Recommendations](#) posted on the Delta MEC website under Training Committee. Review the report and send any comments or feedback to DALTraining@alpa.org.

Study Break PUB: Training? Take a break and socialize with negotiators, reps, committee chairs, and ALPA officers. Find out what's going on; ask your questions. Food and drinks provided. Wednesday, June 26th, 6:30-8:30PM, Holiday Inn and Suites ATL Airport.

Polling: Polling will begin July 5 by the University of New Hampshire Survey Research Center on behalf of the Wilson Center. If you receive a call, your caller ID will display "NH Call", "USNH Call", "UNH Call" and/or a 603 area code and an 862 exchange. Those contacted are encouraged to complete the poll. Participation is confidential.

Verify A Sick Call? Contract Admin wants information on sick call verification since June 1. We need: Who, what, and when - and the outcome. E-mail DALContractQuestions@alpa.org or call 1-800-USA-ALPA and ask for Contract Admin. Need info? [Contract Awareness Bulletin 12-07](#) and [Contract Awareness Bulletin 13-03](#).

ASAP: The CASC team and FltOps are working together to improve “safety reporting culture.” CLCP phone follow-ups and formal training prescriptions are down sharply over the past few months, and the feedback from pilots who have been contacted has been consistently positive.

Trust ASAP. The information is valuable, you will be protected from evaluation or discipline (company or FAA), and while ERC-prescribed training is unlikely, it is normally a positive experience if it does occur.

Training Hotel Security: As a general reminder, be mindful of your surroundings while staying at any of the training hotels on Virginia Avenue. To the extent possible, try to park vehicles in well-lit areas and as close to the hotel as possible. Fill out an FCR to report any issues to the company.

AA Jumpseat Listing: For those desiring to jumpseat on American or American Eagle/Connection, make a meal listing via the “generic” version of “myIDTravel.com” using either:

- <https://myidtravel.com/myidlisting>, or the expanded link at
- <https://www.myidtravel.com/myidtravel/start?action=login-generic> .

Refer to [MEC Alert 13-07](#) for further guidance. The non-revenue line at (888) WFLYAA is still operational, wait times may be lengthy and you may be directed to list online. Questions? Contact the Jumpseat Committee at DALMECjumpseat@alpa.org.

Ex-Im Bank Ruling: The Air Line Pilots Association, Int’l (ALPA) hailed a federal appeals court decision to uphold a legal challenge by ALPA and Delta Air Lines maintaining that the U.S. Export-Import Bank had failed to meet its legal obligation to evaluate the potential effect on U.S. airlines and U.S. jobs before making loan guarantees to Air India for the purchase of wide-body aircraft.

ALPA does not expect the Export-Import Bank to unilaterally disarm in the wide-body aircraft subsidy back-and-forth with Europe, however, both sides have an incentive to wind this financing down. See: [Leveling the Playing Field For U.S. Airlines and Their Employees](#)

Live Contract. The [Live Contract](#) has recently been updated with changes from LOA #15 incorporated into the language. Visit the [Contract Language](#) page on the [Delta MEC website](#).

Upcoming Council Meetings:

Council 108: Tuesday, July 9, 2013, time and location TBD
Council 44: Thursday, August 1, 11AM-2PM, location TBD

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