

DPEAG Minutes of 8 April 2014 1:00 pm at FSDO

Attendees:

DPE	Terry Brandt, Brunie Bradley, June Bonesteel, Rich Lee, Scott Tinnesand, Phil Rimmel, Larry Taylor, Marilyn Schey, Michelle Corbett
FAA	
Guests	Fred Longe

FSDO DPE List (https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/field_offices/fsdo/sdl/local_more/media/Dpe.pdf) web site has the most current copy of the list. Please check and provide any needed changes to Cathy Sherwood.

Standing Topics

Issues and Problems:

1. The facilities available for training and testing instrument tasks are becoming more congested and constrained. We will write a letter to the FSDO outlining our concerns. Dave Vangsnes will lead this.
2. Flying to/around Marana Regional and Pinal. Operations are often busy so ensure you and your applicants plan appropriately when using these airports. On the other hand, they may be good alternatives for some activities.
3. There are some reports of problematic airport use at Ak Chin. We prepared an issue paper to the FSDO outlining our observations. One path is to address some of the issues through the FFAST Team. Copy attached
4. Stacey has sent a note out reminding Examiners that we all have a responsibility to honor flight test requests. Some examiners are denying flight tests as certain flight schools. If you have an issue, please contact your POI.

FAA Publication Changes: Please make sure you sign up for the updates to receive the latest updates http://www.faa.gov/training_testing/testing/ use the subscribe button

Bulletins: The instrument flight test bulletin is up and posted on the DPEAG Website. We are in the process of putting in diagrams to clarify some issues

Airspace and Airports: FFAST team is going to be working with Ach Chin airport due to some safety concerns. NOTE: always check NOTAMS

Best Practices:

Refining Plans of Action: Review after each test or each week to improve. All examiners should work toward realistic scenarios. Compound emergencies are not realistic. A goal would be that practical tests be as close to real flights as possible.

Committee Reports

Administration: Will plan to have snacks and beverages for the 11 June meeting plus an amount to support the DPEAG. Estimating \$15 to \$20 per person.

Mentoring: At this time there are no candidates in the mentoring program

Communication: Forum established on DPEAG.org. Please sign up and post comments. Please take a look at the online forum and give some feedback. DEPAAG set that up as a communication medium for the examiners. We would like more examiners to become active on the forum.

Professionalism: Because we represent the Administrator, consider how your appearance may influence and impact the impression of your DPE activities.

Alliances: AFTW (Next 14 May 0930 @ FSDO), PAUWG (8 May), ASAG (16 Apr), FFAST

Programs: FSDO Training at the FSDO Wed 11 Jun morning or afternoon see list attached to the email. If you need other consideration contact your POI or Stacey Skrocki

Membership:

Comments from DPE: Our critique of the online course is attached. It will be provided to the team on 23 Apr. 12 People are designated to conduct initial CFI check rides. June Bonesteel has written manuals on conducting these flight tests. If you attend her FIRC she will give them out free.

Are any Examiners getting feedback from the applicant surveys?

NOTE The PTS reference to using the PTS during training has been removed. Make sure instructors train to the PTS early on in student training

Comments from FSDO Representatives

Comments from Guests

Next Meetings: 23Apr OKC Face to Face, 13 May, **WED 11 June ½ day FSDO required see enclosed list.**