

**BOARD FOR BRANCH PILOTS MEETING
MINUTES**

The Virginia Board for Branch Pilots held an emergency conference call Board meeting on Tuesday, July 25, 2017. The following board members were present:

Captain Robert H. Callis, III
Captain J.W. Whiting Chisman, III
Captain J. William Cofer
Thomas P. Host, III
Patrick B. McDermott
Christine N. Piersall
Meade G. Stone, Jr.

Board members, Charles R. Amory, Jr. and Captain John A. Morgan, Jr., were not present for the meeting.

Board staff present for all or part of the meeting:

Jay W. DeBoer, Director
Marian Brooks, Acting Executive Director
Bonnie Davis, Administrative Assistant

Agency staff present for all or part of the meeting was:

Mary Broz-Vaughan, Deputy Director, Communications & Board Operations
Bonnie Rhea Adams, Director Complaint Analysis and Resolution

Elizabeth Peay, Assistant Attorney General was present from the Office of the Attorney General.

A determination of quorum of the Board was made by roll call. Board members verbally stating present were:

Roll Call

Captain Robert H. Callis, III, Captain J.W. Whiting Chisman, III, Captain J. William Cofer, Thomas P. Host, III, Patrick B. McDermott, Christine N. Piersall, and Meade G. Stone, Jr.

Finding a quorum of the Board present, Meade Stone, President, called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

Call to Order

DPOR Staff introduced themselves, Marian Brooks, Bonnie Davis, Mary Broz-Vaughan, Bonnie Rhea Adams, Elizabeth Peay, and Jay DeBoer.

Ms. Piersall moved to approve the agenda. Mr. McDermott seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by Messrs., Mme. and Captains: Callis, Chisman, Cofer, Host, McDermott, Piersall, and Stone.

**Approval of
Agenda**

There was none.

Public Comment

Mr. Stone stated the Board is meeting on an emergency basis to discuss an incident report that may warrant the summary suspension of a license in order to protect the public, in accordance with subsection B of §54.1-902 of the Code of Virginia. Mr. Stone requested Board members state aye to acknowledge hearing and understanding the meeting certification. Board members Captain Robert H. Callis, III, Captain J.W. Whiting Chisman, III, Captain J. William Cofer, Thomas P. Host, III, Patrick B. McDermott, Christine N. Piersall, and Meade G. Stone, Jr. stated aye. None opposed.

Certification of the Meeting

Mr. Stone read the letter dated July 24, 2017 from Captain Cofer to Mr. Stone regarding an incident that occurred over the weekend July 22-23, 2017 in which a Virginia State pilot was alleged to have been under the influence of alcohol while acting in his capacity as a Virginia pilot aboard a ship transiting Virginia waters.

Notification Letter – Captain John Brockington Beasley, Jr.

Mr. Stone open the floor for comments. There was general consensus that a full investigation needed to take place, and Captain Beasley needed to be removed as a branch pilot until the investigation is completed.

Captain Cofer motioned to suspend the license of Captain John Brockington Beasley, Jr., effective immediately, due to the risk of continued practice constituting a substantial danger to the public's health and safety in accordance with subsection B of §54.1-902 of the Code of Virginia. At the same time, an informal fact-finding conference shall be held within a reasonable timeframe in accordance with § 2.2-4019 of the Code of Virginia. Ms. Piersall seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by Messrs., Mme. and Captains: Callis, Chisman, Cofer, Host, McDermott, Piersall, and Stone by stating aye. None opposed.

There was none.

Other Business

Conflict of Interest forms were completed by all members present.

Conflict of Interest Forms

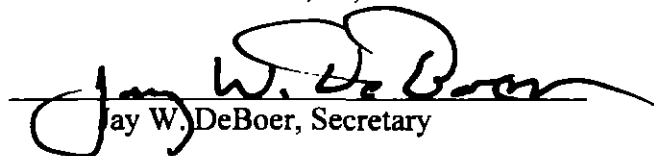
In addition, Mr. Stone stressed that members of the board are not to discuss this matter with any other board member.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Adjourn



Meade G. Stone, Jr., President



Jay W. DeBoer, Secretary

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Robert H. Callis, III
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

Virginia Pilot Assn.

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Robert H. Callis, III
Signature

7/25/17
Date

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TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

- 1. Name: J.W. Whiting Chisman III
- 2. Title: Board Member
- 3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
- 4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017


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Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

- I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.
- or
- I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.


Signature

7-25-17
Date

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**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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1. Name: J. William Cofer
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

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I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

J. William Cofer
Signature

7-25-17
Date

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**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Thomas P. Host III
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017

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or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Thomas P. Host III
Signature

7-25-17
Date

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1. Name: Patrick B. McDermott
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

None

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

None

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

None

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Patrick B. McDermott
Signature

July 25, 2017
Date

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**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Christine N. Piersall
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Christine Piersall
Signature

7/25/2017
Date

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**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Meade G. Stone, Jr.
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Board for Branch Pilots
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Board Meeting July 25, 2017

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

NONE

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

NONE

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

NONE

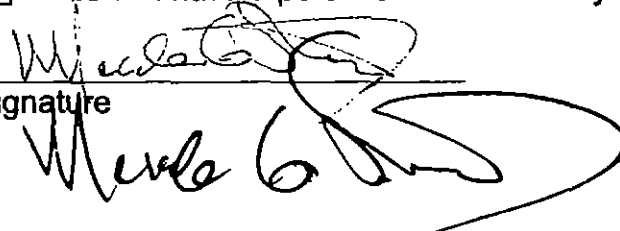
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or

I did not participate in the transaction.

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Signature



Date

7.25.2017