



NorCal Business Aviation Association

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NorCal Business Aviation Newsletter: June 2011

Greetings everyone, I hope you had a good time at our luncheon this month. I'd like to thank McKesson for their generosity in sponsoring this luncheon. We want you to know that your board and committees are working hard to develop the NCBAA into a productive and helpful organization that will directly help flight departments and I think you'll like the results.

Meeting Minutes for June:

We've added two new board members to the organization who bring a lot of experience and talent. They are very eager to help guide us into the future and we are very happy to have them on board.

Leigh White: President of Alertness Solutions, she's a very savvy, law school educated leader who heads a local company that specializes in fatigue management.

Robert Strawn: A tax specialist who is very involved with non-profits and a pilot. Robert has helped us with tax issues and is passionate about aviation in the local area.

We also asked Doug Schultz to be our new Safety Committee Chairman. Doug is a Senior Vice President and Safety Officer for Strategy Aero as well as an IS-BAO auditor.

Our keynote presentation was given by Askok Srivastava from NASA and he spoke about the usefulness of data mining for trends and using predictive models. NASA offers this service, called Dashlink to business aviation. Check out their program at the NASA website:

<https://c3.nasa.gov/dashlink/>

NCBAA Advocacy:

We are about to launch a new program called "Network Training". The Safety Committee will run this program with the simple purpose of providing low cost, IS-BAO required, area training to our member flight departments. "Network Training" is our next step as a regional organization. This is where we are now doing something for you and your bottom line. We're going to get training providers to come out and train us. We'll use economy of scale to get the cost down to negligible amounts and host the training in the local area. "Network Training" will be structured to support the requirements of IS-BAO.

We'll also have the ability to support what we call "Piggyback Training". A flight department providing in house IS-BAO training may want to offer up the training opportunity to others through our Safety Committee.

Attention Department Managers and Chief Pilots...we know you're busy, and we assume you'll agree with the potential cost savings of Network Training. We need the managers to help and if you don't have the time, please join our Chief Pilot's/Directors forum. This won't take much time from your primary job and you can still help us. You may know good training providers, ask/recommend a particular type of training. We need your input. We also need your Captains! Please bring a Captain (Safety/Training Officer?) into our organization and let them participate in the Safety Committee. This is a great opportunity to

develop a Captain into a well-rounded manager. Please email me for anyone interested in the Safety Committee or participate in the manager's forum. VicePresident@norcalbaa.org. Our next event is July 13th and 14th at the NBAA regional located at the San Jose Mineta Airport. No formal meeting but please come by and participate. It's going to be at the ACM/TWC hangar with several static aircraft on hand. Our Mentoring/Membership committee is very much involved with setting this up and we thank them for their work. Take a look at the website for the regional event to get more details.
<http://www.nbaa.org/events/forums/20110714/>

Thanks for being part of the NCBAA!

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