

AFTW Summary of Meeting 13 May 2015 at SDL FSDO

Attendees:

Schools	Ivan Manoogian, Matt Miller(Falcon Exec), Sherlyn, Hallaron (ASAG), Kyle Schltfelt
Instructors	(CAE), Brent Crow(CAE), Matt Miller (Falcon Exec), Terry Brandt (DPE), Dave Kitts(CSA), Josh Klein(ATP/ASU), Travis Trexler(Transpac), Phil Corbell,
FAA	Jacob Hansen
Other	Ed Chauza, Brad Hagen, Jeffrey Pierson, Glenn Rogers, Michael Hampshire, David Simenauer, Larry Stoffers, Ronald McDow

Note the agenda titles are below but the wide ranging discussions at this meeting had trends and connections that crossed the boundaries of the categories. The items discussed are placed in an appropriate place.

Airports: Check NOTAMS.

IWA will have maintenance during the early summer and the ILS will be OTS.

GYR will be closed at nights (Usually Sun-Thurs) for about 2 months.

Some airport patterns require your attention and action to avoid CFIT and collisions. (PRC and FFZ are two examples). Anytime you are unsure, act and communicate with the tower or on UNICOM.

Many airports and some of our favorite training areas are noise sensitive. Consider your impact on neighbors during your planning and operations.

Airspace:

Stanfield Procedures continue to require all users to be alert and courteous in the area. http://www.aftw.org/cgz_practice_approaches.PDF was elevated on the web site and there are discussions to revise.

There is a NPRM proposing deactivation of some instrument approaches throughout the country. Some of these are in Arizona. Review and comment on the proposal where you find there would be issues for you or your operation.

<https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/04/13/2015-08098/standard-instrument-approach-procedures-and-takeoff-minimums-and-obstacle-departure-procedures>

On current charts for Phoenix area much of the Class G Airspace above 1200 msl has been reclassified to Class E. Review your airspace.

Operations and Processes:

A continuing issue on some practical tests is the understanding and use of MEL and by extension inoperative equipment procedures. Sometimes there is an understanding of the process but when there is a equipment problem the connection is not made to the use the process and take an appropriate action.

Airman Certification Standards are coming. A resource to help you prepare and monitor the progress is http://www.faa.gov/training_testing/testing/ . You can subscribe there to receive notice of changes to the testing environment.

Other:

ASAG Awards Banquet will be in Nov 21 2015. It is not too early to nominate the best of instructors, technicians, representatives, airports and towers. It is great if you can provide support to the ASAG in terms of donations or silent auction items. See <http://aviationsafetyadvisorygroup.org/> for more information.

A Subcommittee is working to develop a list of the Arizona Flight Training Organizations and key individuals to assist in the notification and communication process. If you want to insure you are included please advise.

There is an AFTW FaceBook group you can request to join and use as a resource for information and discussion. Subscribe on the website <http://aftw.org/>

At times there are resource constraints that affect our ability to train and test in a timely and efficient manner. Many of the resources in our flight training environment are impacted by the funds available to the FAA. Your U.S. Representatives are key players in the process. They may not be aware of the impact on you, your business and safe operations. Clear communications to them by either individuals or organizations give them the background and additional impetus to support and fund the FAA. They respond to their constituents. Arizona State Executives and Legislators also play a role in maintaining and developing a positive business and operation environment. Include them in your communication of your interests and concerns.

Next Meeting:

Wed 8 Jul 2015 at the FSDO, 9:30 to 11:30 am