

Fellow Council 44 Pilots:

The election cycle for the next Council 44 LEC has begun. No doubt you have received, and will continue to receive, e-mails from candidates. We encourage you to read everything related to this election carefully and contact the candidates if you have questions because it will be from among these candidates that your advocates for the next three years will be elected.

The minutes from the last Council 44 LEC meeting have are posted on the C44 website and have been placed in your electronic mail on MY ALPA on the Crew Room home page. There was significant discussion about Scope and one resolution that was passed. The minutes reflect those discussions as well as the resolution. Look for the Roar in your V-files in early September.

The MEC will be meeting in special session on September 10 and 11 to review a number of issues. A specific agenda has not yet been published.

Here is a review of the election process and timelines associated with the ALPA Representational Elections.

September 1

ALPA National will send out a nominating ballot with four blank lines. The four lines represent the four representative positions available for nomination – two Captains and two First Officers. Every pilot in good standing can nominate up to two Captains and two F/O's (regardless of your own seat position). Placing the same name on all four lines (or more than one line) is still considered ONE nomination for that person. Fill out the nomination ballots and send them to the address which is pre-printed on the envelope.

September 24

We will count the ballots returned at the **Council 44 Meeting on 24 September**. The meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel near the airport starting promptly at 1030. Look for a meeting notice shortly. Before counting the nominations there will be an opportunity to hear short speeches by the candidates as well as some time for one on one discussion with individuals during a planned break after the speeches. After the break, there will be an opportunity to either fill out your nomination ballot or change a previously submitted ballot. There are two Captain and two First Officer positions up for election and the four Captains and four F/O's with the highest total nominations will have their names placed on the ballot. Attendance at this meeting is important especially if there is a tie; members present will break any such ties. A tie did occur during the last election cycle for First Officers and the members present broke that tie.

Following the nomination process, there will be presentations by MEC Chairman Captain Lee Moak as well as the Delta BoD's Pilot Director Ken Rogers (SLC 73N B). The MEC elected Ken to his position in March 2009.

Approximately October 15th the ballot will open. You will receive another letter from ALPA National providing instructions on how to vote electronically or via telephone. There are no more paper ballots in the computer age.

November 10th

The Election will close and ALPA's Election Ballots and Certification Board (EBCB) will meet to certify the elections, and the results will be published sometime that day.

Approximately November 15 – Ballots will open for the election of Officers – Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer

December 10th

The Election will close and the EBCB will meet to certify the elections and the results will be published sometime that day.

March 1, 2010 your newly elected representatives begin their three year term.

If you have any questions about the process or are considering running for office, please give one your Reps a call or drop them and email. There are instructions about sending out campaign emails on the Council 44 website.

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