

ACHIEVEMENT SCHEME REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

17th April 2010

Present

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| Terry Rounce | Chairman |
| Peter Spurway | Member / PAS/SFAS Controller |
| Mick Eames | Member |
| Dick Whitehead | Member |
| Andy Symons | Member |
| Linda Harding | Minute taker / Office Manager |

Visitors

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1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Chris Bromley FSMAE, John Harris, Bob Mahoney.

2. Correction and Adoption of the Minutes of the 28th November 2009.

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- **Sixth paragraph, last line** - Delete "have"; Delete "do" after "to".

Dick Whitehead proposed that the Minutes of the 28th November 2009 meeting be accepted as a true record of that meeting.

Seconded by Peter Spurway

Vote: For: 5
Ags: 0
Abs: 2

Carried by a majority vote.

3. **Matters arising from the Minutes of the 28th November 2009 meeting.**

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- **Second paragraph ASC guidance document, action for Tech Sec** – This will be followed up when the Technical Secretary is in better health.

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- **Scale 'C'** - Included on the Agenda.
- **Indoor 'A' and 'B'** – Included on the Agenda.

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- **Final paragraph, Chief Examiner Guidance booklet, action Office Manager** – The corrections to the Chief Examiner Guidance booklet highlighted by the PAS Controller have been completed. Copies of the revised booklet are available.

This completed matters arising.

4. **Scale 'C'**

The Chairman brought Ian Pallister up-to-date with where we are at the moment with discussions on the Scale 'C'. Ian responded and informed the meeting of the Scale Technical Committee views on the subject.

The main points listed as follows emanating from further discussion:

- Training for Chief Examiners.
- Score sheet for Chief Examiners.
- Compile a test schedule with suggested manoeuvres.
- Canvas Chief Examiners to see if there is an interest and let them know what would be expected of them when testing for the Scale 'C'.
- Suggested minimum weight 2kg, maximum 20kg.

With the combined efforts of Andy Symons, PAS Controller and Ian Pallister (with input from Scale TC) we will endeavour to progress this further and produce a score sheet; prepare and send a mail shot to Chief Examiners.

ACTION: PAS Controller/Andy Symons/Ian Pallister

5. **Correspondence**

We receive a few queries regarding the newly introduced minimum weight which are referred to the PAS Controller. As far as we are concerned we are quite happy with the introduction of the minimum weight.

6. **Helicopter revised 'A' test rule books – (figure eight drawing)**

Dave Pacey expressed his concern that Helicopter Examiners had not received the new Helicopter 'A' and 'B' test forms. The PAS Controller thought this had been done however the Office Manager explained that when we received the new pass forms from the Technical Secretary we were instructed just to send them out by return on receipt of completed pass forms from Examiners.

The Office Manager was instructed to expedite this as soon as possible with the agreement of the CEO. The Office Manager will arrange for the new Helicopter 'A' and 'B' pass forms to be sent to Helicopter Examiners/Chief Examiners only.

ACTION: Office Manager

The Chairman had received an email from Chris Bromley commenting on the recent change to the Helicopter 'A' figure 8 drawing generated by the PAS Controller, which was duly considered.

The PAS Controller will modify the drawing to delete the dotted line and text. He was asked to prepare a note explaining the modification to be sent out with a copy of the drawing at the same time the new Helicopter pass forms are sent to Chief Examiners.

ACTION: PAS Controller

7. Fly bar-less

Dave Pacey had brought in two helicopter models one with fly bar-less and one without to provide a clearer perspective with regard to the use of fly bar-less models for the achievement scheme.

The PAS Controller commented that based on information he has gathered concerning fly bar-less models he cannot see why there would be universal endorsement of the fly bar-less if it actually makes flying the helicopter more difficult.

Dave Pacey responded to say that using a fly bar-less model to take an 'A' or 'B' test would not make it easier or harder it is just a different concept of flying helicopters. He proceeded to explain the difference in capabilities of the two models he had brought with him.

It was suggested we ask the Technical Secretary to draft a proposal to Areas Council that we accept fly bar-less for the tests with the proviso that as long as the extra electronics stabilisation is only acting as a fly-bar replacement, or words to that affect.

ACTION: Tech Sec

8. Indoor

There has been very little feedback on the Indoor 'A' and 'B' Achievement scheme but the feedback we have received seems to be that people are comparing the concept of the 'A' and 'B' Indoor Achievement Scheme with the scheme for the outdoor 'A' and 'B'.

The Chairman will raise this at the Areas Council Meeting in June and suggest at the meeting that a further copy of the 'A' and 'B' Indoor Achievement Scheme document is sent out with the Minutes of that meeting.

9. Jet 'C'

It seems apparent that the JMA see no point in having a scheme for the Jet 'C' and we have received very little response to the initial document. The JMA will be introducing their own scheme for airframe testing.

The Chairman suggested we ask Areas Council if they want to continue with pursuing a scheme for the Jet 'C'. He will raise the subject at the next Areas Council meeting in June.

10. A.O.B.

An issue has been raised with regard to Silent Flight tests being taken after being aerotowed up to 2000ft. This need to be discussed at the next meeting therefore the Chairman said he would contact Martin Godden to make him aware of this problem and invite him to the next meeting.

Several of the ASRC members are of the opinion that the options in the 'B' fixed wing power test to do a spiral dive instead of a spin and a split 'S' instead of an outside loop should not be allowed. The Chairman moved this on for discussion at a future meeting.

ACTION: Chairman

11. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for **Saturday 10 July 2010** at Chacksfield House, starting at 11.00am.

Linda Harding
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7th July 2010

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