NATCA & FAA Collaboration Facilitators & Their Leads Meet to Reengage, Reenergize, and Refocus the Team

All NATCA and FAA collaboration facilitators and their leads met recently face-to-face for the first time in more than two and a half years. The meeting aimed to reengage, reenergize, and refocus the team coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as conduct annual training with the team on systems processes, discuss pertinent topics regarding facility issues, and meet with Right From The Start practitioners to discuss how the programs interact, so both groups could fully understand the other's processes.

With two new leads on the program, it was also the first time that the collaboration facilitators could meet and interact with their leads in an in-person environment. Their primary goal was to facilitate discussion about the various challenges that they face while engaging facilities through collaboration.

NATCA participants in this meeting included: Collaboration Facilitation Team Lead Tom Flanary (Miami Center, ZMA) and Collaboration Facilitation Team members Jason Arnold (Memphis Center, ZME), Curt Fischer (Boston TRACON, A90), Corey Glaze (Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM), Trisha Pesiri-Dybvik (Santa Barbara ATCT, SBA), Marlou Scherer (Anchorage Center, ZAN), Allison Schwaegel (St. Louis/Lambert ATCT,
Update on 2022 National Representatives Election

Pursuant to NATCA Standing Rule H-1, NATCA members from the Flight Service unit and several Region X bargaining units elect a National Representative for their bargaining unit during an election held in even-numbered calendar years. The 2022 National Representatives election began earlier this year with the mailing of the notice of election and election rules to all members in those bargaining units. The nomination period closed on April 1, and the period for the acceptance of nominations closed on May 2.

At the close of the nomination acceptance period, only one member from four of the bargaining units had accepted nomination. Each of those members is the winner by acclamation for a term of office beginning on September 1, 2022. The bargaining units where the election was decided by acclamation are Aircraft Certification Services (Patrick Massie), En Route Automation (Ralph Pagington), Terminal Automation (Allen Casey), and Airports (Felicia Reeves).

Two members accepted nomination for the National Representative position from the Drug Abatement Inspectors and Investigators bargaining unit (Antonio Delgado and Stacie Wooten) and the Flight Service bargaining unit (Cassidy Roensch and Bobby Scurlock). Ballots will be distributed to the members in those bargaining units on May 16, must be returned by June 30, and will be counted on July 1.

Members with questions about the 2022 National Representatives election can contact NATCA General Counsel at mgraf@natcadc.org.

Upcoming NATCA Academy STT Courses

NATCA Academy's Secretary Treasurer Training (STT) course 
improves the knowledge of NATCA, Department of Labor (DOL), and IRS rules. The one-and-a-half-day course provides an understanding about the importance of strict record-keeping, consistency, and written documentation for financial guidelines. It also prepares NATCA members to better facilitate local officer transitions, conduct local elections, amend local constitutions, and assist in daily operations of a NATCA local. You can register for upcoming NATCA Academy classes, including STT, at portal.natca.org.

April NEB Meeting Minutes Available

The minutes from the National Executive Board (NEB) meeting in Chicago on April 5-6 are now available here on the NEB minutes page of the website.