



## USPA Board of Directors Meeting · February 19-21 · Phoenix, Arizona

### Group Membership Committee

#### Action

1. Group Membership Affiliation for Foreign (Non-U. S.) Group Members  
  
Propose and adopt restructured requirements for foreign DZ affiliation with USPA.  
Reasons include:
  - a. USPA lacks the ability to monitor and enforce compliance with the provisions of the Group Member Pledge at most non-U.S. drop zones.
  - b. The Group Member pledge requires foreign DZ compliance with FAA regulations which are not binding on foreign drop zones, and requires foreign DZs to complete an Aircraft Status Form for Group Membership, which is based on FAA regulations.
  
2. Review Training Center Program Status and Consider Modifications.
  - a. Discuss and adopt necessary incentives to assure compliance with the Training Center program by DZs that have elected the Training Center designation. Many DZs that sign on as Training Centers are not meeting their obligation to provide first-jump customer information to USPA, thereby limiting the effectiveness of headquarters marketing initiatives.
  - b. Discuss whether a minimum level of training activity should be documented annually in order to retain a Training Center designation (i.e. certain number of student graduates, A-licenses, etc.)
  
3. Pilot Training and Proficiency  
  
Discuss and adopt a strategy to address the outstanding NTSB recommendations on pilot training and proficiency.

#### Discussion

1. Initia Proposal Status Update.  
  
Review status of Initia marketing proposal that has been discussed at two previous board meetings
  
2. Group Membership Requirement to Host a USPA Rating Course  
  
A member has asked the GM committee to revisit the requirement that a DZ must be a group member in order to host USPA rating courses.