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Agenda



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16 February — Monday

0830-1430 St. Johns

Accreditation Seminar -- Visit Simulation/Mark Dusenbury, Shannon Morrison & Triant Flouris

0945-1015 Foyer

Refreshment Break *Sponsored by Vaughn College*

1200-1300 St. Johns

Seminar Lunch *Sponsored by Middle Georgia State University*

1500-1830 Seminole

Executive Committee/Julie Speakes **(Closed Meeting)**

17 February — Tuesday

0730-1730 Foyer

Registration/Vic Montañez & Ceci Shirley

0730-0830 Foyer

Continental Breakfast *Sponsored by Auburn University*

0830-0900 Duval A

AABI Welcome and Conference Overview/Julie Speakes & Elizabeth Bjerke

0915-1030

Accreditation Development Series Round 1 (Concurrent sessions)

Duval A

Criterion 3.6: Modernized Facilities for the Future of Aviation Education

Moderators: Chas Ellis & Mike McLean, JLG Architects; James Birdsong, Auburn University; and Jeremy Roesler, University of North Dakota

Duval B

Criteria 3.1: Supporting Student Success in AABI Programs

Session Sponsor:

Moderators: April Millaway-Axton, The University of Oklahoma; Stephen Belt, Saint Louis University; and Adon Clark, Middle Georgia State University

1030-1100 Foyer

Refreshment Break *Sponsored by*

1100-1215

Accreditation Development Series Round 2 (Concurrent sessions)

Duval A

Criterion 3.5: Attracting and Supporting Faculty and Staff

Moderators: Tony Foster, University of Dubuque; and Chaminda Prelis, Middle Tennessee State University; and Hatice Kucukonal, Ozyegin University

Duval B

Criterion 3.11: Maximizing the Use of Flight Data in the Assessment Process for Continuous Improvement

Session Sponsor: Talon Systems, LLC

Moderators: Kathryn Boutwell, Flight Schedule Pro; Nicholas Cataldi, Middle Georgia State University; Edward Hardick, Talon Systems, LLC; and Raymond Thompson, Western Michigan University

1215-1330

Lunch On Your Own

1215-1330 Seminole

Nominating Committee Working Lunch/Darrin Greubel **(Closed Meeting)**

Sponsored by

1345-1500

Accreditation Development Series Round 3 (Concurrent sessions)

Duval B

Criterion 3.9: Effective Industry Relations to Improve Program Outcomes

Moderators: Gail Avendano, Southern Illinois University; Stanley Adams, Air Line Pilots Association, International; John Robbins, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University; and Matt Tuohy, Jacksonville University

Duval A

Criterion 3.7: Leveraging University Services to Assist in the Continuous Assessment and Improvement of Programs

Moderators: Will Miller, Rebecca Gibbons & Lauren Thompson, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University; Cindy Lewis, Dave Cohen & Mike Petroski, Lynn University

1500-1530 Foyer

Refreshment Break *Sponsored by Weave*

1530-1700 Duval A

AABI Town Hall Meeting: FAA Modernization/Ken Byrnes & Jeremy Roesler

1800-1830 Amelia

1st Timers Reception **(By Invitation)** *Sponsored by Purdue University*

1830 — Amelia

Welcome Reception — Networking Opportunity *Sponsored by Propel*

18 February — Wednesday

0700-0730	Lobby	Grab-N-Go Breakfast <i>Sponsored by Cirrus Aircraft and Talon Systems, LLC</i>
0730-0750		Transportation to Jacksonville University's Davis College of Business & Technology <i>Sponsored by Delta State University</i>
0800-0820	Terry Concert Hall (TCH)	Industry/Educator Forum Welcome/Stamley Adams & Maryanne DeMarco
0825-0940		Industry/Educator Forum — Industry Panel 1 Navigating Risk: Aviation Insurance Trends Impacting the Industry <i>Session Sponsor: University of North Dakota</i> Tom Hauge, Wings Insurance; Sean Kallsen, LLJohns Aviation Insurance; Amanda Kirk, Starr Aviation; and Todd Fallbacher, Old Republic Insurance Group
0940-1000	TCH Lobby	Refreshment Break <i>Sponsored by Air Line Pilots Association, International</i>
1000-1115	TCH	Industry/Educator Forum — Industry Panel 2 Cleared for Green: Driving Innovation in Aviation Sustainability <i>Session Sponsor: Western Michigan University</i> Emma Galarza, Delta Air Lines; and Eric Kaduce, Boeing
1130-1245	Moran Center	Awards Luncheon <i>Sponsored by Jacksonville University</i>
1300-1345	TCH	Industry/Educator Forum — Educators Respond to Panel 1 Elizabeth Bjerke, University of North Dakota
1345-1430	TCH	Industry/Educator Forum — Educators Respond to Panel 2 Andrew Leonard & Nick Wilson, University of North Dakota; and Juan Merkt, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
1430-1530		AABI Programmatic Criteria Breakouts
	TCH	Flight Education/Ken Byrnes
	Gooding Classroom 110	Aviation Maintenance and Avionics/Electronics/Raymond Thompson
	Reid Medical Science Ctr.	Aviation Management/Gail Avendano
	Gooding Classroom 101	Air Traffic Management/Stephen West & Craig Carlson
1530-1600	TCH Lobby	Refreshment Break <i>Sponsored by Florida Tech</i>
1600-1645	TCH	Propel Pathway Update Delta Air Lines: Kelvin Mason, and Endeavor Air: Rebecca Lambert-Widmark
1645-1700	TCH	Industry/Educator Forum Wrap-up/Stamley Adams & Maryanne DeMarco
1700-1720		Transportation to DoubleTree <i>Sponsored by Delta State University</i>

19 February — Thursday

0730-1345	Foyer	Registration/Vic Montañez & Ceci Shirley
0730-0830	Foyer	Breakfast Buffet <i>Sponsored Republic Airways</i>
0830-0930		Committee Session 1: Criteria Committee/Juan Merkt & David Tidwell
	Duval A	Aviation Innovation/Shawn Kelly
	Duval B	AT-CTI/Steve West & Craig Carleson
0930-1430	Seminole	Coffee Service <i>Sponsored by UFA, Inc.</i>
0945-1045	Foyer	Committee Session 2: Professionalism & Ethics/Stamley Adams & James Birdsong
	Duval A	Safety/Ken Carson & Randy Babbitt
	Duval B	Governance/Julie Speakes
1100-1200	Seminole	Committee Session 3: Global Membership & Outreach/Triant Flouris
	Duval A	I/E Forum/Stamley Adams & Maryanne DeMarco
	Duval B	Strategic Planning & Corporate Communications/Kelvin Mason
1200-1330	Seminole	AABI Annual Meeting and Lunch with the Board of Trustees/Julie Speakes <i>Sponsored by Piper Aircraft, Inc. and Textron Aviation</i>
1345-1600	Duval B	Board of Trustees Accreditation Session/Julie Speakes (Closed Meeting)
1430-1500	Duval B	Refreshment Break <i>Sponsored by</i>

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