

Associate Member Bios

Ryan West - WBAT

Mr. Ryan West currently works for WBAT in the Commercial Aviation division. WBAT hosts over 200 organizations and is used by many organizations in AK. We have been a part of AK's safety programs since the Medallion Program. I am nominating Ryan based upon his experience, relationships, and success he has had with Safety programs in his past that he can bring this wealth of knowledge to the AACA.

Ryan has been in the aviation industry since 2009 and has a Bachelor's Degree in Aviation Management. Ryan spent seven years as a safety analyst/manager for the Aviation Safety Action Program (ASAP) and SMS for SkyWest Airlines. Ryan has received training in Human Factors Analysis & Classification System (HFACS), Six Sigma, MITRE SMS training, FAA ASAP training, and multiple root cause analysis and data analytics techniques.

Currently, Ryan works for Universal Technical Resource Services (UTRS) on their WBAT platform. Ryan manages and facilitates all aspects of the Aviation Safety Action Program (ASAP) for Part 145, 141, 121 135, and 91 carriers around the country. As part of his role, Ryan facilitates the MOU execution, ERC & FSDO training, database set up, ASAP report processing, ERC meeting facilitation, recommendation tracking, program promotion, and data Analysis. Ryan helps to manage new business initiatives and opportunities, including onboarding new and potential clients.

Bryan Miller, Dash Inc.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for and potentially serve the Alaska Aviation Community. For your consideration DASH Systems' (DASH) Chief Operating Officer, CFO and Chief Pilot, Bryan Miller, is applying for the Board of Directors, Associate Member position with the AACA. Below a synopsis of Bryan's experience is humbly submitted per the requested one-paragraph bio about the proposed candidate:

Bryan E. Miller, PE, MBA is a highly accomplished aerospace executive, United States Marine Corps Aviator, Professional Engineer, and co-founder with proven leadership and management experience in some of the most complex global environments. He received his BS in Marine Engineering from the California Maritime Academy and worked as a Systems Engineer for Totem Ocean trailer Express (TOTE) on the MV Midnight Sun, then Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) leading the "Alvin" HOV Launch & Recovery team before joining the Marine Corps and ultimately becoming an MV-22B Tiltrotor Pilot & Leader. During his DoD career tenure, Bryan has served in several key roles such as:

- Air Force Exchange Pilot, Pilot Standardization Program Manager,
- Director of Safety,
- MV-22 Instructor Pilot & Functional Check Pilot,
- Chief Operating Officer for a Marine Corps MV-22B Osprey squadron encompassing 225+ service members and \$1.45Bn in PP&E,
- Officer in Charge of a Joint DoD learning institution, during his final tour, where he was responsible for all survival and counter-interrogation training in collaboration with the US State Department (SERE).

In 2015 Bryan co-founded and served as Managing Director for a boutique Management Consulting firm serving the general, business, and defense aviation spheres focusing on optimization of FBO operations, defense contract capture, and integration of new/novel technologies. Between 2017 and 2019 Bryan served as the co-founder/COO for a highly innovative LA-based sports nutrition brand where he focused on building and qualifying their global supply chain, technology stack, and operational roadmap while simultaneously completing his Executive MBA from the UCLA Anderson School of Management in 2019. Bryan holds commercial and CFI ratings in Single/Multi-Engine Land, Powered Lift, Rotorcraft-Helicopter, Part 107 Drone, and currently is serving as the Chief Operating Officer, CFO, and Chief Pilot for **DASH Systems** in Los Angeles, leading a highly innovative aviation-enabled logistics team to develop technology and deliver packages anywhere in the world from air to ground in one day.

Norman Chance – Executive, Sky Airparts

Sky Airparts, Wasilla, AK

Founded and developed Sky Airparts, a company that distributes aircraft parts for both general aviation and corporate aviation markets. Expanded product lines to represent Fortune 500 aerospace manufacturers. Developed partnerships with Parker Aerospace, Textron Aviation, Goodyear, Teledyne, etc. Developed a global customer base that supports over 400 clients in 21 countries. Integrated a FAA AC0056 Quality Management Accreditation in 2018.

First company in Alaska to achieve this certification.

Education

Master of Business Administration - MBA: Business Administration and Management

Western Governors University - Salt Lake City, UT

Bachelor of Science: Professional Aeronautics

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach - Daytona Beach, FL

Associate of Science: Aircraft Maintenance

Vincennes University - Indianapolis, IN

Certifications

F.A.A. Airframe And Powerplant Certificate

F.A.A. Designated Airworthiness Representative

University of Illinois Digital Marketing Specialization

Affiliations

U.S. Dept Of Commerce, Alaska Export Council Board Appointee

Alaska Air Carriers Association, Board Member 2012 to Present

Matsu Borough Aviation Advisory Board, Chairman 2016-2020

Purdue University Aviation Advisory Board 1998

Norman is currently pursuing a graduate EdD degree in Aerospace from Oklahoma State University starting this August.