# OPEN TIME TA 2019 PRESENTATION

April 30, 2019



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- 2014-2019 Agreement created new Open Time system
  - Parties agreed to a one-year trial ("test drive") of the new system
  - Either party could cancel at any time
- October 2015: Trial unofficially began but not programmed correctly
- April 2016: Merger announced
- May 2016: Trial officially began after being reprogrammed with the correct trading rules
  - AFA surveyed FAs regarding satisfaction
  - Survey results clearly showed dissatisfaction
- July 2016: AFA cancelled the trial

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- November 2016: Open Time negotiations began
- June 2017: Agreement in concept reached, MEC rejected due to lack of implementation penalties
- December 2017: Open Time negotiations resume, but the MEC prioritized Merger negotiations (Merger TA reached February 2018)
- January 2019: Agreement in concept reached, MEC chose to delay ratification based on timing of cross-flying (February 2019) + 3 months



### WHAT WAS WRONG WITH THE SYSTEM?

- Open Time codes were confusing because different codes had different trading rules
- Could not do multiple trades
- Could not downtrade (trade down in days) if trips began on different days
- Could not uptrade TO unless they began on the same day
- FA did not feel system lived up to its promise



### THE TRIAL ENDS

- Under the contract, ending the trial meant that the parties would go "back to book" and negotiate a new Open Time trading system
- "Back to Book" meant the Open Time trading system in effect under the 2006-2011 extended agreement as modified by arbitration award (withholding of trips over 50% of domicile FAs in TFP)
- This did not happen—and we're still under the trial system—because:
  - Maestro was obsolete and no longer supported
  - Programming Back to Book would have to occur in Crew Access (implementation scheduled for October 2016 but was delayed to February 2017)
  - Management did not order the programming, AFA filed grievance in June 2017 and was sustained by management



## OPEN TIME NEGOTIATIONS SURVEY (LATE 2016) SAYS...

- Flight Attendants wanted:
  - Direct (straight) dropping of trips
  - Day-for-day or greater trades
  - Multiple trades
  - Downtrading
  - No trading codes

### TRADING CODES

### Current System

- Trading codes reflect how trips were placed into Open Time (e.g. by Crew Scheduling, by FA, etc.)
- A trip's code affects whether and how it can be traded
- Only TO counts toward TSN

### Proposed System

- No codes: How a trip is placed into Open Time is irrelevant for trading purposes
- Only trips placed into Open Time by a FA count toward the Daily Count



### THRESHOLD SEQUENCE NUMBER (TSN) COMPARISON

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Current System
    First day of trip counts toward TSN (4-day
    counts once on 1st day only)
    Formula
         Up to 649 domicile FAs = 3; 650 FAs = 4
         Every additional 200 FAs = +1
             ANC(394) = 3
             SEA (2354) = 12
             PDX(634) = 3
             SFO(900) = 5
             LAX(1194) = 6
             SAN(391) = 3
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Proposed System
    All days of trip count toward TSN (4-day counts
    once on all 4 days, 3-day counts once on all 3
    days, etc.)
    Formula
         Up to 340 domicile FAs = 6
         Every additional 50 FAs (rounded up) = +1
              ANC (394) = 8
              SEA (2354) = 47
              PDX (634) = 12
              SFO (900) = 18
             LAX(1194) = 24
              SAN(391) = 8
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### **CURRENT TSN VS. PROPOSED TSN**

- Current System
  - Looks only at day of departure
- Proposed System
  - Looks at every day of the trip
  - TSN formula is changed, but increased number does not necessarily translate to increased liability for the Company or greater flexibility for FAs
  - May allow more direct drops/downtrades of shorter trips
  - May be more difficult to drop longer trips



### THE DAILY COUNT

- Definition: The number of Open Time sequences operating on a given day that were dropped into or traded into OT by Flight Attendants
- Sequences placed in OT by Crew Scheduling (e.g., sick calls, jury duty, extra sections, etc.) do NOT count toward the Daily Count.
- For transparency, trips included in the Daily Count will have a visual indicator.

### DAILY COUNT VS. TSN

- A day will automatically close once the Daily Count reaches the TSN
- The day will automatically open if the Daily Count falls below the TSN (i.e. a trip with a visual indicator is removed from Open Time)
  - Any FA action that causes a trip operating on that day to be removed from Open Time
  - Reserve assignments, including self-assignment, do not affect the Daily Count
- Crew Scheduling can manually open a closed day



### WHEN AND WHY DO DAYS CLOSE?

### Current System

- When number of TO trips equals TSN, will reopen if number of TO trips are lower than the TSN (a TO is picked up)
- After 10 AM PT today for tomorrow (today + 1 day), TSN is no longer considered
  - System considers only day of departure, subsequent days are not considered

### Proposed System

- When Daily Count equals TSN, will reopen if Daily Count is lower than the TSN (one or more trips are picked up on the closed day)
- 10 AM PT today for the next 4 days (today + 4 days)
  - System considers all days of the trip
  - Maximum trip length that can be dropped into open time is 4 days, so the system must consider all 4 days
  - If OT did not automatically close 4 days out, then reserve assignments would 'artificially' open OT by lowering the Daily Count but without having adequate reserve coverage to compensate
- Crew Scheduling can manually re-open days within this window



### DIRECT/STRAIGHT DROPS

- Allowed under current and proposed Open Time systems, up to net
   -40 TFP
- Current System
  - Can drop if day of departure is open
- Proposed System
  - Can drop if all days of trip are open



### DIRECT/STRAIGHT DROPS EXAMPLE

#### ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FA schedule							2 day	y trip			
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### STRAIGHT PICK-UPS

- Allowed under both current and proposed systems
- Will be approved if legal under the CFRs
- Contractual waivers may be required and pay protection may be impacted



### STRAIGHT PICK-UPS EXAMPLE

#### ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FAschedule											
Open time trip		2 da	y trip							3 day trip	)

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FA schedule											
Open time trip		2 da	ıy trip		1 day					3 day trip	)



### **MULTIPLE TRADES**

- Current System
  - Prohibited
- Proposed System
  - Allowed if:
    - Made in a single submission (any combination of trips) and will be considered one transaction
    - Net -40 determined at end of transaction
    - Can cover same or different days, consecutive or non-consecutive days
    - Transaction is "all or nothing": Transaction will be denied if any trade, pick-up or drop violates trading rules



### MULTIPLE TRADES EXAMPLE

#### ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	29	30	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
FA schedule		4 d	ay trip			1 day		1 day	2 da	ıy trip	
Open time trip		4 d	ay trip							1 day	

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

FA swapping 2 trips - 1 duty period each; each trip reports before midnight and releases after midnight. The first trip ends on the same day the second trip reports.

FA schedule

2day 1 duty period

2day 1 duty period

Open time trip

3 day trip



### DAY FOR DAY (OR GREATER) TRADES

- Current System
  - Yes, on a trip-for-trip basis with same day of departure regardless of whether day of departure is open or closed
- Proposed System
  - Allowed if any closed days in the FA's trip remain covered
    - Can be a single trip on consecutive days
    - Can be a combination of multiple trips on consecutive or non-consecutive days

### DAY FOR DAY (OR GREATER) TRADES EXAMPLE

#### ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FAschedule		4 d	lay trip							1 day	
Open time trip		4 d	lay trip						2 da	y trip	

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FAschedule		20	day			1 day					
Open time trip		3 day trip	)	2 day	y trip						

### DAY FOR DAY (OR GREATER) TRADES EXAMPLE

#### NOT ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FA schedule		4 d	lay trip							1 day	
Open time trip				1 day					4 day	/trip	

### DOWNTRADING (TRADING FOR FEWER DAYS)

### Current System

- Allowed if trips being traded begin on same day and trip in OT has TO code (within the net -40 TFP)
- Prohibited if trips being traded begin on different days or the OT trip has no code
- Proposed System
  - Allowed if all days being traded out of are open (within the net -40 TFP)

### DOWNTRADING (TRADING FOR FEWER DAYS) EXAMPLE

#### ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FAschedule						2 da	y trip				
Open time trip						1day					

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	15	13	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	16	13
Calendar date	29	30	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
FAschedule		4 d	lay trip			1 day		1 day	2 da	ıy trip	
Open time trip		4 d	lay trip							1 day	

### TRADING ON CLOSED DAYS

- Current System
  - TO: Trade trip-for-trip with same date of departure regardless of number of days
  - No code: Day-for-day or greater covering the same 'footprint' or greater
  - Straight pick-ups allowed
- Proposed System
  - Any type of trade (uptrading, day-for-day trading, multiple trading) is allowed as long as the closed days are covered (subject to the net -40)



### TRADING ON CLOSED DAYS EXAMPLE

#### ALLOWED

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FA schedule			2 d	ay							
Open time trip			1 day	1 day	1 day						

	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	open	open	open	open	closed	closed
DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

FA swapping 3 day trip for 2 trips-1 duty period each; each trip reports before midnight and releases after midnight. The first trip ends on the same day the second trip reports.

FA schedule

Open time trip

2 day 1 duty period

2 day 1 duty period



### TRADING ON CLOSED DAYS EXAMPLE

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Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FA schedule		1day	1day								
Open time trip 2 day trip											

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DAILY COUNT	13	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	13
Calendar date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
FA schedule		1day	1day								
Open time trip 2 day trip			1 day								

### IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES & PENALTIES (1/3)

- Company must implement new OT system by start of the bid month 15 months after ratification.
- Ratification day is May 30, 2019, so the OT system go live date is no later than September 1, 2020.
- If ready early, the go live date will be the beginning of the first bid month following completion.
- "Go live date" is the date the OT system is first available for FA use



### IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES & PENALTIES (2/3)

- Program must be ready by the go-live date
- If not, or if implemented with material defects, Company subject to penalties:
  - \$50 per FA for first bid month in which deadline is missed
  - \$100 per FA for second and subsequent bid months in which the deadline is missed

### IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES & PENALTIES (3/3)

- Defect is material only if both parties agree that it "significantly impedes Flight Attendant use of the system."
- If parties disagree, issue of materiality will be submitted to mediation on an expedited basis (date secured in advance of go live date).
- Mediator's decision on materiality will be binding on the parties.



### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Polls open Monday, May 6 @ 9 AM PDT
- Polls close Friday, May 31 @ 9 AM PDT
- Votes CANNOT be changed once cast



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- Follow the prompts to cast your vote.
- Write down your confirmation number.

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