

Captain John Sluys

Captain John Sluys is a 33-year industry veteran, having flown for Alaska Airlines since 1991. He has held several union leadership positions, both locally for the Alaska pilots and nationally for his home association US ALPA, including Chairman of the Alaska Airlines Pilots from 2000-2003, which included an aircraft accident and September 11, 2001.

John was the driver behind the creation of the ALPA Professional Development Group, which oversees and coordinates the activities of the Education, Membership, and Leadership Committees, and served as its initial Chairman.

In 2008, John was appointed by the FAA Administrator to serve as the Co-Chairman of the FAA Aviation Rulemaking Committee on Mentoring, Leadership, and Professional Development and testified before the National Transportation Safety Board's panel on Pilot Professionalism. He remains active serving the Alaska Airlines MEC as the Scope, Alliance and Codeshare Committee Chairman and as their representative to both the SkyTeam Pilots Association (SPA) and the One World Cockpit Crew Coalition (OCCC).

Captain Sluys has dual nationality with the USA and The Netherlands. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Technology from Purdue University. He currently flies the B737NG throughout North and Central America.