
NATCA National Executive Board Teleconference
January 18, 2008

The teleconference was called to order by President Patrick Forrey and the following individuals were in attendance:

Paul Rinaldi, Executive Vice President;
Ricky Thompson, Alaskan Regional Vice President;
Howard Blankenship, Central Regional Vice President;
Phil Barbarello, Eastern Regional Vice President;
Bryan Zilonis, Great Lakes Regional Vice President;
Mike Robicheau, New England Regional Vice President;
Scott Farrow, Northwest Mountain Regional Vice President;
Mike MacDonald, Region X Regional Vice President;
Victor Santore, Southern Regional Vice President;
Darrell Meachum, Southwest Regional Vice President;
Hamid Ghaffari, Western Pacific Regional Vice President.

Also present were Adell Humphreys, Marc Shapiro, Kevin Sills and Dale Wright.

CRU-X Arbitration: Kevin Sills provided an update on the CRU-X arbitration. During yesterday's hearing, the Agency failed to prove that anything they did during contract negotiations negated their obligation to bargain with NATCA over the implementation of CRU-X. After the hearing concluded, the arbitrator met with the parties and discussed their inability to reach an agreement without resorting to arbitration. He further offered to provide mediation services in order to facilitate reaching some sort of settlement. If there is no further action from either party, the arbitrator will be forced to make a ruling. The consensus of the NEB was that NATCA should refrain from further discussions with the Agency which will force the arbitrator to make a ruling.

Article 48/SMEs: The Agency has requested that NATCA submit the names of ERAM subject matter experts; discussion ensued on whether or not we should provide the names requested. Under the terms of the "Green Book", NATCA provided representatives under the terms of Article 48; however, the Agency is now utilizing the provisions of the imposed work rules to request names of subject matter experts. After extensive discussion, it was agreed that Marc Shapiro will inform the Agency that due to the short notice, we are unable to comply with their request for names of subject matter experts.

NATCA Member Benefit Fund Payment: Mr. Meachum reported that the Board of Trustees of the NATCA Member Benefits Fund has approved an application for assistance received from Chris Shoulders.

Meachum: Motion that \$5,400 be transferred from the set-asides account to the NATCA Member Benefit Fund to fund a loan for NATCA member Chris Shoulders.

Barbarelo: Seconded

Vote: Passed unanimously

Surveys: Mr. Ghaffari recommended that information on surveys received be posted on the NATCA bbs so that members will know whether the union supports participation in such surveys. Mr. Blankenship agreed to work on this.