NATCA National Executive Board Teleconference
June 16, 2009

The teleconference was called to order by Executive Vice President Paul Rinaldi, and the following individuals were in attendance:

Ricky Thompson, Alaskan 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 was Adell Humphreys.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Meachum: Motion to accept the minutes of the June 2 NEB teleconference
Ghaffari: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

Contract Negotiations: Additional funding for NATCA’s contract negotiations budget is required.

Rinaldi: Motion to move $300,000 from NATCA’s set-asides account to the general account for contract negotiations expenses.
Barbarello: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

National Labor College: The National Labor College is celebrating its 40th anniversary as labor’s premier education and training institution. They are seeking sponsors for their anniversary gala and are soliciting advertisements for the gala’s program book.

Meachum: Motion to purchase a $1,500 ad in the National Labor College’s 40th anniversary program booklet
Rinaldi: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

Associate Membership Applications: A number of applications for Associate Membership have been received recently. Mr. Rinaldi will review the applications submitted by FAA employees, and these will be considered by the NEB at a later date.
Rinaldi: Motion to approve the Associate Membership applications for robin Hill, C.O. Gruhn, Nathan Schlossman and Theodore Kohlstedt
Santore: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

UnionWare Access: Mr. Meachum explained that the NATCA Charitable Foundation often has difficulty in reading the home address information provided by participants in its auctions, and requested that the NCF be given access to the UnionWare database so that they could check this information directly without having to ask NATCA staff to confirm the information. Mr. Robicheau explained that it would not be possible to limit access to only name and address information. Mr. Meachum withdrew his request.

NATCA President Patrick Forrey joined the teleconference at this point.

NATCA bbs Suspension/Appeal: Paul Cox was recently suspended from the NATCA bbs, and has submitted an appeal of this suspension to the NEB.

Farrow: Motion to overturn the suspension of Paul Cox from the NATCA bbs
Thompson: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

Issues for FAA Administrator Babbitt: Mr. Meachum has completed the compilation of issues submitted by the NEB that need to be discussed with FAA Administrator Babbitt at the earliest possible time. After review, the NEB agreed with Mr. Meachum’s compilation.

Contract Ratification: NATCA members have traditionally had 45-60 days to ratify proposed contracts. It has been suggested that contract ratification via electronic means (i.e., internet voting) could significantly reduce this amount of time. Mr. Forrey explained that the contract mediation ground rules provide for a 45 day ratification; in addition, contract ratification by electronic means only would restrict some members from voting on the contract.

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