NATCA National Executive Board Teleconference
September 22, 2009

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

Patricia Gilbert, Executive Vice President
Larry Lescanec, Alaskan Regional Vice President
Howard Blankenship, Central Regional Vice President
Bryan Zilonis, Great Lakes Regional Vice President
Mike Robicheau, New England Regional Vice President
Jim Ullmann, Northwest Mountain Regional Vice President
Mike MacDonald, Region X Regional Vice President
Victor Santore, Southern Regional Vice President
Tim Smith, Southwest Regional Vice President
Hamid Ghaffari, Western Pacific Regional Vice President

Also in attendance were Rita Graf, Adell Humphreys, Barry Krasner and Kevin Peterson.

BBS Operation: Rich Santa (NATCA ZDC President) addressed the NEB on the operation of his personal internet BBS in response to concerns raised by a member of the local as to the use of that BBS for both campaigning and the conduct of union business. Mr. Santa agreed to work with NATCA General Counsel Rita Graf to ensure that his personal BBS is not affiliated with the local or national organization or used for the conduct of union business.

Contract Briefings/Official Time: Mr. Krasner expects around six Contract Team members to participate in each of the upcoming contract briefings. It does not appear that we will need to request official time for these individuals; Ms. Gilbert stated that she would request the time if necessary.

New York Stakeholder Meeting: Mr. Barbarello will be unable to attend this meeting. NATCA's Director of Safety & Technology Dale Wright will attend and represent the union.

Credit Hours/Comp Time: As of October 1, 2009, the FAA has informed NATCA that members will no longer be able to earn credit hours. Legislative action would be required to change this decision.

Election Data: There have been several requests to release election data on the percentage of members who voted from each facility.

Ghaffari: Motion to distribute voting percentages by facility after the 16-day election challenge period
Seconded: Santore
Vote: Passed, with Mr. Blankenship, Mr. Forrey, Mr. Robicheau and Mr. Zilonis voting in opposition

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Approval of Minutes:

Robicheau: Motion to approve the minutes of the September 8-10 NEB meeting
Ghaffari: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

Administrative Assistant: Mr. Ullmann has interviewed a number of candidates to work in his new office, and wishes to hire Kristi Martin.

Gilbert: Motion to approve the hire of Kristi Martin as Administrative Assistant for the Northwest Mountain Regional Office
Ullmann: Seconded
Vote: Passed unanimously

Article 24: Mr. Ghaffari questioned if the union would issue any guidance on dealing with Article 24; specifically, the fact that the "minimum" is also the "maximum" for the prime time period (two weeks). Mr. Krasner will look into this.

Seniority: The conflict in the new seniority article is causing concern among NATCA members. It was agreed that guidance would be sent out once the contract is ratified.

Allyn Adell Humphreys
Chief of Staff

Patricia C. Gilbert
Executive Vice President