In September, NATCA Executive Vice President Andrew LeBovidge and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Deputy Administrator Bradley Mims were appointed as the co-chairs of the FAA’s National Employee Involvement Team (NEIT). Originally chartered in 2010 as the FAA Labor-Management Forum and renamed the NEIT in 2017, the group is composed of labor leaders from eight unions within the FAA and 16 top-level FAA management representatives including Administrator Steve Dickson and the associate administrators from all lines of business. The NEIT was put in place in an effort to broaden and deepen collaborative behaviors throughout the FAA and utilizes “the strengths of both union and management to best serve FAA employees, customers and mission.”

Read more about Monday’s semi-annual NEIT meeting

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NATCA’s IT Committee Rolls Out New Login Systems

NATCA’s Information Technology Committee (ITC) has been working for over a year to build a replacement system for our Union’s member database
(UnionWare). It will be some time before the new member database – called MyNATCA – will be fully implemented and replace other systems that NATCA currently uses. The ITC will announce those upgrades later. However, we are replacing the current login system on our Union’s website with one that will be linked to MyNATCA. As part of this transition, all existing login credentials to the members-only side of NATCA’s website will be deleted, and members will need to create a new login.

Images: (Left) NATCA’s existing website login screen that is about to be replaced and (right) NATCA’s new website login screen built upon our Union’s new database.

The new login system will allow a single sign-on for NATCA’s website, the MyNATCA database, and NATCA’s store website. Once you’re logged in, you’ll remain logged into all three sites. If you log out, you’ll be logged out of all three sites. In addition, this new system was designed to improve security and make it easier for NATCA members to retrieve and update their own passwords.

Click here for more information, including instructions on how to create a new login.

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NATCA Congratulates New FacReps

We congratulate the NATCA leaders who have recently taken office for their term as FacRep at their local facilities:

**Central Region**
Lincoln ATCT (LNK), John Schutter
Omaha ATCT (OMA), Jack Gore

**Great Lakes Region**
**Groton, Conn., FCT is the Newest Member of the NATCA Family**

NATCA is excited to welcome Groton, Conn., (GON) Federal Contract Tower (FCT) to the NATCA family. The airport is a public-use, publicly owned general aviation airport, located seven miles from New London’s city center in the southeastern corner of the state. It is situated in the Mystic Region, a popular area for visitors.

“We at GON are very pleased to now be represented by NATCA. As was the case while we were employed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), having a strong union to protect employees from being taken advantage of is so very important,” said GON FacRep Eric Knight. “Issues with pay raises, sick leave, annual leave, and most recently the COVID-19 policy have not only been resolved but also improved once NATCA took the helm.”

“Our FCTs are thriving, involved, and well represented,” said NATCA New England Regional Vice President Mick Devine. “The proof is in the pudding. They keep calling NATCA to get them represented.”

[View the list of all 118 NATCA-represented FCTs here](#)

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**Staff Employee Spotlight - Brianna Deaver**

NATCA welcomes new Safety and Technology Administrator Brianna Deaver to our National Office staff.
Brianna is an experienced customer service and administrative specialist, and she brings a comprehensive set of organizational and communication skills to our Safety and Technology Department’s service to our members. A native of Las Vegas, Brianna grew up in a union family. Her father retired from the Laborers’ International Union of North America Local 872 in Las Vegas. Also, most of her father’s family was a part of the culinary and bartenders’ union in the ‘80s and ‘90s.

"I began working for NATCA in August, and the people I have had the pleasure of interacting with thus far have been wonderful," she said. "The most challenging part is just getting up to speed, but the Safety and Technology team is making my orientation very easy."

Read more.

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**NATCA Academy to Host Safety Management System (SMS) and OSHA Webinars**

Join the NATCA Academy for two upcoming 60-minute webinars:

On Nov. 4, there will be an OSHA: Asbestos in Our Facilities webinar at 4 p.m. EDT. Human suffering and financial losses inflicted from asbestos-related diseases outpace all other occupational exposures combined. The webinar will cover the roles you, NATCA’s OSHA Committee, and NATCA’s Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) play in asbestos safety. It will also review work plans for asbestos abatement and the strong language to protect occupants from asbestos exposure that you have in your contracts.

On Nov. 5 at 2 p.m. EDT, NATCA will host a webinar for members to learn more about safety management systems (SMS) and how safety is considered when changes to the National Airspace System are proposed. This webinar is designed to provide information about the SMS and its components, as well as specific details regarding safety risk management.

Sign up by Nov. 4.
Event and Hotel Registration Open for 18th Biennial Convention, Dec. 9-10

The 18th Biennial Convention in Houston is scheduled to begin on Thursday, Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. CST at the Marriott Marquis. We plan to continue working into that evening after dinner and then conclude the next day, Friday, Dec. 10, no later than 2 p.m. CST. As a reminder, this convention will be focused exclusively on the business of the Union, as carried out by the convention delegates. As a result, we are not planning the usual activities associated with a convention such as an opening and closing reception. We intend for all activities, including meals, to take place inside the convention hotel.

Registration is a two-step process. Step 1 is visiting the convention registration site.

Step 2 is making your hotel reservation at the Marriott Marquis.

For more about the convention, visit the event web page.