

NEB Telcon Minutes  
October 5, 2011

The teleconference was called to order by President Paul Rinaldi, and the following members attended the call:

Paul Rinaldi, President  
Trish Gilbert, Executive Vice President  
Larry Lescanec, Alaska Regional Vice President  
Kevin Peterson, Central Regional Vice President  
Phil Barbarello, Eastern Regional Vice President  
Bryan Zilonis, Great Lakes Regional Vice President  
Michael Robicheau, New England Regional Vice President  
Jim Ullmann, Northwest Mountain Regional Vice President  
Tim Smith, Southwest Regional Vice President  
Victor Santore, Southern Regional Vice President  
Ham Ghaffari, Western Pacific Regional Vice President  
Mike MacDonald, Region X Vice President  
Barry Krasner, Executive Director

Also in attendance was Abigail Glenn-Chase, Scot Morrison, Eugene Freedman and John Bratcher.

**FCT:** There are some FCTs that are currently represented by PATCO, Inc. who want to join NATCA when their contract expires on 1/1/12. PATCO, Inc. is not affiliated with the AFL-CIO. There is a contract bar prohibition on changing representatives, which opens to allow the employees to request NATCA representation from 90-60 days prior to their contract expiration or wait until 1/1/12 when it expires. The NATCA Organizing Committee has been approached by several of these towers. The NEB unanimously supported the Organizing Committee moving forward on the towers that approached NATCA.

**Tuition reimbursement:** Patrick Gamble's request for tuition reimbursement was approved in accordance with SRF-14.

**Congress:** The House passed a CR until 11/18 to keep government the funded; the Senate is expected to follow. Ranking member Costello has announced that he will not to seek reelection in November.

**IFATCA:** The Americas Regional Meeting will be held November 3-5 in Curacao.  
**Staffing issues due to midshift staffing:** The issue is still be worked by the workgroup.

**ERAM:** The NEB discussed the concerns with the definition of IOC and the next several sites and Lockheed Martin's ability to keep up with addressing issues at the key sites.

**LEAP Class:** Great group, however concern was raised that 6 people dropped out within the last 4 weeks. We need to work better with the cancellations and getting replacements for them to ensure a substantive class and curriculum.