

Vice Presidents Report  
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MV Transportation announced to the membership on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 that Microsoft had renewed their contract with MV Transportation. The term of the contract is 5 years with three one year renewal options. This comes as good news to the local as we now know who we will be bargaining with in June.

The economy still causes great concern and unfortunately this issue is not going away anytime soon and will definitely be an obstacle to overcome during the bargaining process.

At the end of February the local mailed out bargaining packets to the members from MV Transportation, the packets included a "Guide to Collective Bargaining", bargaining proposal form, save the date information for upcoming meetings and a form to provide the members T-shirt size.

We have already started to receive bargaining proposals in from the membership, which is a good sign of their commitment to being involved in the process.

We are continuing our monthly meetings the MV Transportation Bargaining Unit. Upcoming meetings are scheduled as follows:

March 6<sup>th</sup>, Michael, Stan, Susie McCallister and I will meet with MV Transportation and continue with the education piece and introduce Susie to the bargaining unit. In addition we will accept nominations from the membership for two (2) members to join Susie and Michael on the bargaining team. One (1) member will be elected from each of the two work groups (Connector and Shuttle). We will also continue to ask for volunteers to join both the Mobilization Committee and the Strike Preparation Committee.

April 10<sup>th</sup>, Michael, Stan and I will continue with the education of bargaining. At this meeting the members will vote for the two members who will join the bargaining team. Connector will elect one representative and Shuttle will elect the other, this will provide for equal representation at the table for both work groups. We will continue to ask for volunteers to join both the Mobilization Committee and the Strike Preparation Committee. Bargaining Proposal forms will be mailed out in the April News Letter to the members of MV Transportation.

In May 8<sup>th</sup>, Michael, Stan, the bargaining team and I will once again meet with the bargaining unit to continue with the education and go over the bargaining proposals and rank them in order of importance to the membership.

In June we will continue with our monthly bargaining unit meetings, keeping the membership as up to date on the bargaining process as possible. We will also do some sort of Kick Off for bargaining (this will be planned by the mobilization committee).

The Local's website has also been updated with the upcoming meetings, as well as a countdown clock, showing the time remaining in the current contract.

Respectfully submitted,

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