

UTU NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 22, 2006

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

6:00 PM.

DECEMBER 12, 2006

Boeing Machinists' Hall

Contract Proposals Mailed Out

For those of you who could not make the meetings where we handed out contract proposals, we mailed the remainder of them to all union members that were dues current. We will count the ballots on Nov. 27th and announce the results on the website and bulletin board.

Shuttle Signs

The magnetic signs for the South Lake Union Shuttle and Night Ride should be put on the vans carefully. Some of them are cracked and do not adhere very well to the van. It is important that we do not bend or fold the signs. Several are missing. We have advised the company of this and are asking for a safe place to store them when they are not in use. Look for notices in the drivers' room soon.

New Bids - Nov. 17 to Jan. 4

Thank you for your flexibility with this last bid posting. After they had been posted, the Navy decided to cancel some runs. As a result, this affected some of you who had bid earlier. The company was pretty good about moving some drivers around. If anyone was negatively affected, please let me know.

2-Day Dispatches

When you look at your 2-day out dispatch in the folder, it might be wise to double-check the report time and make sure it is adequate. If you feel it is not, simply discuss your concerns with a dispatcher. Most times, they are more than willing to make adjustments in order that you arrive on time to the spot location. One of the advantages of this system is that we can proofread the charter instructions and alleviate mistakes ahead of time.

Thought for the Day

Perpetual optimism is a force multiplier.
-Gen. Colin Powell

Topics Discussed at Nov. 14th mtg.

- Magnetic signs for SLU & Nite Ride
- Co. needs an adequate place to store the signs
- A discrepancy in Airporter ticket sales from this past summer has been fixed. Thanks go to Wayne for investigating this situation.
- Incorrect report times-not enough time given to deadhead to Leavenworth and get a meal break before picking group up. Rodney informed the dispatch office about that ahead of time and they adjusted the report time accordingly.
- It would be beneficial to have both 1-day and 2-day out folders for dispatches on windowsill.
- Discussion on a scheduled break for Connectors
- Discussion on upcoming ski bids. Some ski schools begin before the bids start on Jan. 5th.

Please attend the next meeting to get all the details. Be informed as to what is going on! The Boeing Machinists' Hall is located at 9125 15th Pl. South, Seattle, WA 98108. We meet in the South Building.

Winter Driving Classes

These classes should be starting up soon. Watch for notices from the GLS Safety Dept. as to when they will be scheduled.

VIR's for Navy Moves

Be sure to complete VIR's on all moves. These are required every day that you drive a bus. On the Navy Moves, be sure to write down the CBO number on it. If you do 2 Navy moves on the same day, put both CBO numbers on it. The Navy requires copies of the VIR's. Thank you!

Updating Schedule B

Derek Brenden has been very helpful in updating the Schedule B for the shop personnel. For those who do not know, the Schedule B is a long list of different job skills for each of the classifications of mechanics and service persons. It definitely needed to be re-vamped and we thank Derek for taking the initiative to get this project going.

Hope you all have an enjoyable
Thanksgiving!