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what's next?

APRIL 27 2016

Chapter Meeting, 50
Douglas, Martinez

BARGAINING SESSIONS

April 7, April 18, May 2, May
12, May 19, May 25, June
2, June 7, June 16, June 22,
June 30

CAT MEETINGS

March 28, April 11, April
25, May 9, May 23, June 6,
June 20

Union and County Agree to Ground Rules and Schedule

The Local 21 Bargaining Team met with the County's Negotiator for the first time on Monday, March 28. It was a productive meeting. Local 21 and the County were able to reach agreement over a set of ground rules for negotiations. In terms of process, these rules bind both parties to a set of expectations on how negotiations will proceed moving forward.

Both parties also agreed to a schedule for bargaining over the next several months, up to and including the date of our current contract's expiration — June 30. The Bargaining Team will meet with the County Negotiator approximately once a week between now and the expiration the current contract. This is important given the need for negotiations to progress in a timely fashion.

Our goal is to provide written updates to you following every bargaining session. Over the coming weeks and months, there will be many opportunities for members to get involved and participate. Strong participation will be key in supporting the Bargaining Team as they negotiate a fair contract that addresses Local 21's overall priorities. Some of these opportunities are detailed on the next page, and there will be more to come.



As for now, the Bargaining Team needs to hear from you. We are requesting that members contact Local 21's Chief Negotiator, Jonathan Wright, by Friday, April 22, if you have any additional information or concerns that are pertinent to bargaining yet were not already provided as part of the online survey members over the past few weeks. Jonathan can be contacted at JTWright@ifpte21.org.

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Join the Contract Action Team to Support the Local 21 Bargaining Team

One of the ways that members can directly support the Bargaining Team is through involvement on the Contract Action Team — otherwise known as the “CAT.” The CAT meets every other week to help develop and coordinate the field campaign in support of the Local 21 Bargaining Team. The CAT serves as a critical link between the Bargaining Team and members in the field. Therefore, we welcome participation on the CAT from as many County departments and worksites as possible.

The CAT will meet every other Monday at the Local 21 Office (624 Ferry Street, Martinez) beginning at 5:30pm. The next few meetings are listed below. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please email Justin at JDecker@ifpte21.org.



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5:30pm to 7pm
Dinner Served

calendar

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JOIN US: Local 21 Bargaining Roundtables

Local 21's worksite roundtables are a great opportunity to provide input to your Bargaining Team and hear the latest developments from the negotiating table. As part of the 2016 contract campaign, Local 21 will begin a series of lunchtime meetings on Tuesday, April 4. The full schedule is below. All meetings will take place between 12pm and 1pm.

April 5 (Tuesday) - CCRMC, 2500 Alhambra Ave, MTZ

April 6 (Wednesday) - 30 Muir Road, MTZ

April 7 (Thursday) - 40 Douglas Drive, Diablo Room, MTZ

April 12 (Tuesday) - 300 Ellinwood Dr, Bodega Room, PH

April 13 (Wednesday) - 255 Glacier Dr, Room G, MTZ

April 19 (Tuesday) - Downtown MTZ, 624 Ferry St

April 26 (Tuesday) - 2530 Arnold Dr, 4th Fl, MTZ