

# SYSTEM COUNCIL No. 16 INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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#### Third Quarter 2019 Report to the Members of System Council 16 of the IBEW

Greetings to our members,

The third quarter of this year has been a very busy one. The focal point of this quarter was our Quadrennial Convention in Oklahoma City. I want to thank all the delegates and attendees for their contributions. I especially want to thank the delegates who served on the Audit Committee, Bylaw Committee, and the Credential Committee: Frank Anderson, Mike Tschacher, Joe Lopez, Don Seyller, Carson Gerdel, Shane Duncan, Danon Smith and Jasin Ptacnik. Special thanks to President Lonnie Stephenson for attending our convention and for swearing in the officers. Thanks to Brother IVP David Ruhmkorff for being our Parliamentarian. Thanks to Brother IVP Steve Speer for his attendance and contributions.

Jeff Allred and I were unanimously affirmed to serve another four years. I personally thank you for your vote of confidence. There were four bylaws amendment proposals. Three proposals were accepted and are in the process of final approval. The delegates voted to accept removing the mandatory ten cent per member per month COPE contributions from our bylaws. The delegates voted to separate the Secretary Treasurer position from the General Chairman position, thereby creating a new officer position. This will ensure the effective management of both positions. The delegates also voted to accept electronic transcription in place of a certified court reporter for our business meetings. The delegates rejected a bylaw proposal to lower the Council per capita fee for a local whose wages are less than the National Hourly wage.

The meeting was very informative. We had special speakers and representatives from all our vendors. Special thanks to Stephen Fitzgerald for his comprehensive presentation on the "Whistle Blower Act"; Brother Bill Bohne for his presentation from the Rail Department; and Just Clay Productions for an excellent first-person performance of photographer Lewis Hine. Mr. Hine is proof that one person working with Organized Labor can bring about social change.

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Thank you to Debra Klecka for hosting a spouse's meeting with Railroad Retirement member, Geri Clark.

The meeting was a great success owing to everyone's contributions. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

In other council business; Negotiations with NICTD are ongoing. We have another round of bargaining scheduled for the end of October. Negotiations are ongoing for Paducah and Louisville Railway. We are preparing a bargaining coalition for the Canadian Pacific where we are eligible to serve Section Six notices in November of this year.

We have continued with site visits. This quarter we went on property to Belen NM, Amarillo TX, Rainier MN, Tulsa OK, Proctor MN and the Ore Docks, Two Harbors, and Superior WI.

We have a new slate of officers in LU757. Thank you Nathan Drag and the outgoing officers for your many years of dedicated service. LU1782 was successfully absorbed into LU1769 in Seattle Washington.

We responded to a radical change in Job Bulletins on the CN in Centralia, IL. We prevailed in returning the positions to normalcy.

In Rail News; The Union Pacific has continued to pursue more profits by recently closing another facility in Kansas. The Neff Yard was closed with no discussion and very little notice. Precision Railroading is not working as well as expected for the UP. Profits are down despite PSR, and their accident rates are steadily increasing. They seem to be in a race for the bottom.

National Bargaining is set to begin soon. Our Section Six requests were forwarded to Rail Director Bill Bohne for inclusion in National Negotiations.

Again, on behalf of the Staff and myself; Thank you for the opportunity to serve you for another four years. It is an honor to serve you.

I leave you with the theme from our convention, "The only answer to organized greed is Organized Labor."

Sincerely,

Mark S. Klecka General Chairman

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"Without unions, workers will lose many of the protections against abusive employers. Wages for all will be depressed, even as corporate profits soar. The American Dream will be destroyed for millions. And we will have a government of the corporations, by the already powerful, for the wealthy." Kenneth Bernstein, teacher and blogger, in a 2011 CNN.com opinion piece on the Wisconsin measure to strip public employees of collective bargaining rights.

#### Mark Klecka's Travel Third Quarter 2019:

July 8—10, 2019 – Michigan City, IN – NICTD Negotiations

July 11, 2019 – Aurora, IL – Investigation

July 14—16, 2019 – Michigan City, IN – NICTD Negotiations

July 22—23, 2019 – Albuquerque, NM – Site Visits

July 29—August 1, 2019 – Duluth / Rainer, MN – Site Visits

August 5—7, 2019 – Michigan City, IN – NICTD Negotiations

August 26, 2019 – Merrillville, IN – Local 757 Monthly Meeting

August 27, 2019 – Michigan City, IN – Local 2355 Monthly Meeting – NGTN Meeting

September 15—20, 2019 – Oklahoma City, OK – SC16 Convention

#### Jeff Allred's Travel Third Quarter 2019:

July 14—19, 2019 – Proctor, MN, Superior, WI, Steven's Point, WI and Homewood, IL – CN/BNSF Location Visits and CN Apprentice Meeting

July 21—26, 2019 - Amarillo, TX and Belen, NM - BNSF Location Visits

August 20—21, 2019 - Tulsa, OK - Local 778 Meeting

September 13—15, 2019 – Amarillo, TX – Convention Preparations

September 15—20, 2019 – Oklahoma City, OK – SC16 Convention

#### **Darrell Patterson's Travel Third Quarter 2019:**

July 11, 2019 - Roeland Park, KS - Local 866 Meeting

July 15, 2019 - Duluth, MN - Local 366 Meeting

July 16, 2019 – Proctor, MN – CN Shop Meeting

July 16, 2019 – Duluth, MN – CN Docks Tour

July 16, 2019 – Superior, WI – Local 1559 Meeting

July 17, 2019 – Stevens Point, WI – CN Roundhouse Meeting

July 18, 2019 – Chicago, IL – CN Management Meeting

August 8, 2019 – Roeland Park, KS – Local 866 Multi-Shift Meetings

August 28, 2019 - Overland Park, KS - BNSF TTC Meeting

August 29, 2019 - Argentine, KS - BNSF AFM Waiver Meeting

September 9, 2019 – Topeka, KS – BNSF Apprentice Meeting

September 11—12, 2019 – Proctor, MN – CN Investigation

September 15—20, 2019 – Oklahoma City, OK – SC16 Convention

September 25, 2019 – Topeka, KS – BNSF Overtime Meeting

#### Jeff Burk's Travel Third Quarter 2019:

July 23—25, 2019 – Belen, NM and Amarillo, TX – Property Visits to Locals 1199 and 1146

August 22, 2019 – Fort Worth, TX – Local 547 Meeting

September 15—20, 2019 – Oklahoma City, OK – SC16 Convention

#### **Brad Carothers' Third Quarter 2019:**

August 14—16, 2019 – Fort Worth, TX – BNSF SAC Meeting

September 10, 2019 – Fort Worth, TX – Investigation

September 15—20, 2019 – Oklahoma City, OK – SC16 Convention

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#### FINANCIAL REPORT 3rd QUARTER 2019

#### **SAVINGS CERTIFICATE STATEMENT:**

Mid Country	96,071.77
Old Missouri Bank	204,871.26
US Bank	79,621.67
Freedom Bank of MO	217,018.20
Guaranty Bank CD 1	107,981.27
Guaranty Bank CD 2	<u>13,129.67</u>
TOTAL SAVINGS CERTIFICATES	718,693.84

### GENERAL FUND (SAVINGS ACCOUNT) STATEMENT - Freedom Bank of Missouri

Balance	2nd Quarter	127.39
Interest	3rd Quarter	<u>0.15</u>
	TOTAL	127.54

#### **CONVENTION FUND (SAVINGS ACCOUNT) STATEMENT - First National Bank**

Balance	2nd Quarter	12,650.10
Receipts	3rd Quarter	14,410.00
Interest	3rd Quarter	<u>4.43</u>
	TOTAL	27,064.53

#### 2019 CONVENTION CHECKING ACCOUNT - First National Bank

Balance	3rd Quarter	139.028.74
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#### **SAVINGS ACCOUNT - Mid Country Bank**

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65,399.79

#### MISC. INCOME

CKECKBOOK ENDING BALANCE - MIDCOUNTRY BANK 268,584.34

## **PER CAPITA TAX RECEIPTS:**

L.U.	<u>July</u>		<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>
152	\$	3,046.05	\$ -	\$ 5,633.75
366	\$	5,170.00	\$ -	\$ 2,077.45
418	\$	4,935.00	\$ 4,888.00	\$ -
452	\$	2,632.00	\$ 2,632.00	\$ 2,783.20
506	\$	12,102.20	\$ -	\$ 8,126.45
533	\$	5,708.60	\$ 5,744.45	\$ 5,542.70
547	\$	15,228.00	\$ 7,473.00	\$ 15,046.30
708	\$	258.55	\$ 470.00	\$ 941.35
757	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 24,505.30
778	\$	13,489.25	\$ -	\$ 6,198.40
783	\$	2,029.10	\$ -	\$ 2,079.05
866	\$	-	\$ 28,461.30	\$ 14,311.60
881	\$	4,376.40	\$ 4,741.25	\$ 4,676.45
886	\$	1,974.00	\$ 1,990.70	\$ 1,934.00
906	\$	235.25	\$ 235.25	\$ 489.50
946	\$	2,632.00	\$ 2,659.25	\$ 2,610.90
959	\$	18,683.80	\$ -	\$ 18,906.20
1022	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -

#### PER CAPITA TAX RECEIPTS (CONTINUED):

<u>L.U.</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>eptember</u>
1023	\$ 9,789.75	\$ 12,725.25	\$	9,960.10
1146	\$ 1,598.00	\$ 1,643.90	\$	1,692.25
1155	\$ -	\$ 16,995.85	\$	-
1199	\$ 1,645.00	\$ 1,556.65	\$	1,637.15
1517	\$ 7,097.00	\$ -	\$	14,662.20
1559	\$ 987.00	\$ -	\$	2,127.40
1769	\$ 2,303.00	\$ 4,336.40	\$	-
1782	\$ 4,512.00	\$ 3,416.40	\$	-
1856	\$ 7,152.60	\$ -	\$	7,155.80
2355	\$ 2,538.00	\$ 2,610.90	\$	2,659.25
TOTAL	\$ 130,122.55	\$ 102,580.55	\$	155,756.75

#### NOTE:

**\$44.90** Per Capita Tax + **\$2.00** deposited to S.C. Convention Fund + .10 to COPE = **\$47.00** (August 2018)

**\$46.25** Per Capita Tax + **\$2.00** deposited to S.C. Convention Fund + .10 to COPE = **\$48.35** (July 2019)