Negotiations Support Committee (NSC) Description

Purpose and General Function:
To provide a two-way channel of communications between the membership and the MEC/LEC officers to educate, engage and move members to action in support of Negotiations.

The Negotiations Support Committee shall provide the direct channel between the AFA-CWA Negotiating Committee and the membership. The MEC/LEC President will oversee and advise the committee based on status of negotiations.

Composition and Structure:
This committee should be made up of at least one committee member for every 10 Flight Attendants. The MEC/LEC Officers will identify Base Chairs who will act as the primary point of contact at each base. The Base Chairs, in coordination with the MEC/LEC Officers will identify base specific groups and individuals within each group to recruit as NSC Members. Once individuals have volunteered to become NSC members they will identify and recruit additional members to serve on the committee. The structure should be set up so that:
1. Every member can be contacted one-on-one in a relatively short period of time.
2. Written materials can be distributed to and collected from every member in a short period of time.
3. A high level of participation can be achieved in collective actions.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

- Be trained on the Negotiations Support Committee process.
- Coordinate and report to the Base Chair, who then shall report to the MEC/LEC officers and the Negotiating Committee.
- Receive, read and understand communication from Negotiating Committee and MEC/LEC Leadership.
- Engage fellow Flight Attendants in conversations about negotiations and AFA.
- Educate fellow Flight Attendants about negotiations and AFA.
- Dispel gossip, rumor and inaccurate information from being circulated on the line.
- Take action in support of negotiations and AFA (wear AFA pin, bag tag, sign postcard, attend meetings/picketing events).
- Motivate fellow Flight Attendants to take action in support of negotiations and AFA.
- Gather feedback, questions and possible concerns from fellow Flight Attendants – Document that feedback and provide to Base Chair.
- Recruit additional members for the NSC