



## **NMB to Consider Flight Attendant Single Carrier Ruling**

The AFA-CWA today asked the National Mediation Board (NMB) to rule that United and Continental are now a single carrier for Flight Attendant representation purpose. This is the first step in holding representation elections.

The IAM does not believe Continental and United currently meet the criteria for a single carrier ruling from the NMB for the Flight Attendant classification. In addition, we believe that Flight Attendants from both airlines should have the time needed to learn about both unions so they can make an informed choice when representation elections take place. To that end, the IAM will be hosting more than 100 United and Continental Flight Attendants next week at our Education and Technology Center in Maryland so they can learn more about the IAM and the industry-leading contracts we negotiate for Flight Attendants.

The AFA filing, the timing of which is suspect, will not detract the IAM from addressing the ratification of the recently announced industry leading tentative agreement for the IAM/Continental Flight Attendants. The ratification process will continue to proceed in a manner that provides for each Flight Attendant to make an educated and informed decision.

Negotiations which began a year ago resulted in the recently announced tentative agreement. This tentative agreement is the second opportunity in the period of one year for the IAM/Continental Flight Attendants to voice their opinion regarding their work rules, pay and benefits, until such time as a transition agreement can be negotiated.

We encourage all members to access the District 142 website at [www.go142.org](http://www.go142.org) for the latest negotiation news as well as accurate and reliable merger information.

Please visit [faMergerMatters.org](http://faMergerMatters.org) for the latest merger information for IAM Flight Attendants.