



District 142

Weekly Update



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The Update Message from the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers representing Flight Attendants in the 2339 Local Lodges

Friday, August 13, 2010

ExpressJet and Continental Micronesia Negotiating Committees Prepare for Bargaining



Negotiating committees from both ExpressJet and Continental Micronesia attended the “**Collective Bargaining Prep**” program at the William W. Winpisinger Education and Technology center this week. The committees spent an intense and grueling week addressing all facets of contract negotiations. As a result they are better prepared for this round of bargaining.



ExpressJet Flight Attendants:

The updated "**Expressly Ours**" handbook is online and must be read and acknowledged by September 1, 2010.

The Union is receiving complaints about dirty galley carts - odor, mold, stickiness, etc. Please write enroutes or email your supervisor with flight information, aircraft number, date, etc. The company must be made aware of this health risk.

We are aware that the proposed acquisition of ExpressJet by SkyWest is unsettling to our members and we want to assure you that your union representatives are already working hard on your behalf. Please remember that it's "**Business As Usual**" until one operating certificate has been achieved. SkyWest proposes to close the deal late 2010 and merge ExpressJet with Atlantic SouthEast Airlines in the following 12-15 months.

Union Representatives Walking the Concourses and Talking to Members

To make sure you are getting your questions answered regarding contract negotiations and merger issues your general chairpersons and grievance representatives are walking the concourse and addressing cabin crew member's questions and concerns. If you have any questions or want to clarify a rumor, we encourage you to approach us and get the facts. We will have Merger Watch cards for you to fill out as well as the latest information regarding negotiations. By staying informed and standing together, we can achieve our goals.

Continental Flight Attendant Negotiations Resume

The committees have agreed to increase the meeting schedule. The next session of meetings are scheduled for August 16 through August 27, 2010.

The focus of these negotiations is to provide our members an industry leading contract that continues to provide job flexibility, job security and a secured pension.

We encourage all members to access the District 142 website at www.go142.org for the latest negotiation news as well as accurate and reliable merger information.

Updated information will be published immediately after our next sessions.

We would like to encourage all members to attend your Local Lodge business meeting.

Each Local Lodge must have a quorum to conduct business. The following is a schedule for upcoming meetings:

Houston: Tuesday, August 17, 2010, 1:00 p.m. at Houston Airport Marriott Hotel

Guam: Wednesday, August 18, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at the Airport Conference Room

Cleveland: Thursday, September 9, 2010, 1:00 p.m. at 669 North Rocky River Drive

Newark: Tuesday, September 14, 2010, 3:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Newark Airport Hotel

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Please visit faMergerMatters.org for the latest merger information for IAM Flight Attendants.