



# BULLETIN

## TO ALL IAMAW MEMBERS

### LOCAL LODGE 16

# ABSENTEE BALLOT PROCESS

September 18<sup>th</sup> 2020

Dear Members,

International President Bob Martinez has provided the following instructions to all Local Lodges;

*“Absentee Voting if any members have concerns about voting in person at the election meeting due to Coronavirus (for example they or members of their family are in an at-risk group, or they are subject to a quarantine) they may request an absentee ballot and mark the box which indicates that they are unable to vote due to illness or injury.”*

As such, members that do not wish to vote in person for any upcoming Local Lodge Election due to concerns over Covid-19, are entitled to request an absentee ballot by filling out and delivering the appropriate form.

Minus the addition of Covid-19 concerns as a reason to request a ballot, the process for requesting and delivering remains the same and is as follows;

#### **IAMAW CONSTITUTION – ARTICLE II – SECTION 3 – ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

Members who reside in outlying Districts more than 25 miles from the designated balloting place, members who are either confined because of a verified illness or on leave qualifying under U.S. and Canadian family leave laws, or on vacation, or on official I.A.M. business approved by the Local Lodge or District Lodge or Grand Lodge, or on an employer travel assignment, or reserve military leave, as the case may be, shall be furnished absentee ballots. Members applying for an absentee ballot on the basis of residing in an outlying district more than 25 miles from the designated balloting place, shall have their eligibility to vote by absentee ballot determined by the Recording Secretary and the Secretary Treasurer before the ballot is mailed. Members found not to be eligible to vote by absentee ballot will be so notified within 10 days of the receipt of their application.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact myself or the executive board.

In solidarity,

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