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## A Message from Karsten Frentrup Business Manager/Financial Secretary

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

# It's Done!

We moved into our Local Union building in August of 2010, just after its completion. It was originally financed on a 15 year schedule. It was refinanced at a lower interest rate and a shorter term, (10 years), in July of 2012. On Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> 2014, I delivered a check to American National Bank, which paid off the loan for the Local Union building. Just for reference, that is 7 years 8 months ahead of the new schedule. This focused effort to eliminate our debt as early as possible has saved the Local Union hundreds of thousands in interest. So, what's next? Answer - Change the Bylaws.

## Bylaws Change

The first reading of two bylaws changes were read at the October 7<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting. This letter serves as the minimum 20 days advance notice for a vote to change the Bylaws. The vote will take place at the Local Union Hall in Grand Prairie on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM; this is the second Tuesday of the month – By a membership vote, the meeting was rescheduled to the 11<sup>th</sup> to avoid conflict with Election Day. All active members are encouraged to attend.

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**Proposed Bylaws change #1:****Existing Language: (partial)****ARTICLE X****Assessments – Admission Fees – Dues**

Section 6. The monthly dues shall be:

(a) <b><u>“A” and “BA” Members</u></b>	<b><u>Basic Dues</u></b>	<b><u>Working Dues</u></b>
Journeyman Wireman	\$7.00 plus	5% of gross wages
Journey Lineman	\$7.00 plus	5% of gross wages
Journeyman Technicians	\$7.00 plus	5% of gross wages
Journeyman Splicer	\$7.00 plus	5% of gross wages

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Journeyman Wireman	\$7.00 plus	4.5% of gross wages
Journey Lineman	\$7.00 plus	4.5% of gross wages
Journeyman Technicians	\$7.00 plus	4.5% of gross wages
Journeyman Splicer	\$7.00 plus	4.5% of gross wages

(The rest of the section remains unchanged)

**Proposed Bylaws change #2:****Existing Language: (partial)****ARTICLE VII  
Salaries**

Sec. 1 . Salaries shall be as follows:

Business Manager –  
Financial Secretary

a weekly salary equal to 46 times 120% of  
the Journeyman Inside Wireman's straight  
time hourly rate.

Assistant Business  
Manager

a weekly salary equal to 46 times 110% of  
the Journeyman Inside Wireman's straight  
time hourly rate.

Assistant Business  
Manager/Lead Organizer

a weekly salary equal to 46 times 110% of  
the Journeyman Inside Wireman's straight  
time hourly rate.

**Proposed Language:****ARTICLE VII  
Salaries**

Sec. 1 . Salaries shall be as follows:

Business Manager –  
Financial Secretary

a weekly salary equal to 46 times 130% of  
the Journeyman Inside Wireman's straight  
time hourly rate.

Assistant Business  
Manager

a weekly salary equal to 46 times 115% of  
the Journeyman Inside Wireman's straight  
time hourly rate.

Assistant Business  
Manager/Lead Organizer

a weekly salary equal to 46 times 115% of  
the Journeyman Inside Wireman's straight  
time hourly rate.

(All other items covered in Article VII to remain unchanged.)

# Do not forget to vote on Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup>

(Below is the list of AFL-CIO endorsed candidates)

## 2014 Texas AFL-CIO COPE Endorsement List

*Note: If an office is not on this list, no endorsement has taken place at this time. Endorsements may be updated as Central Labor Councils continue their endorsement processes.*

### Statewide Elections

U.S. Senate - David Alameel  
 Governor – Sen. Wendy Davis  
 Lieutenant Governor – Sen. Leticia Van de Putte  
 Attorney General – Sam Houston  
 Comptroller – Mike Collier  
 Land Commissioner – John Cook  
 Railroad Commissioner – Steve Brown  
 Texas Supreme Court, Place 1 – Judge Bill Moody  
 Texas Supreme Court, Place 7 – Judge Gina Benavides

### Congressional Elections

CD 6 -- David Cozad  
 CD 7 – James “Jim” Cargas  
 CD 9 – U.S. Rep. Al Green  
 CD 12 -- Mark Greene  
 CD 16 – U.S. Rep. Beto O’Rourke  
 CD 18 – U.S. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee  
 CD 24 -- Patrick McGehearty  
 CD 27 – Wesley Craig Reed  
 CD 29 – U.S. Rep. Gene Green  
 CD 30 – U.S. Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson  
 CD 31 – Louie Minor  
 CD 33 – U.S. Rep. Marc Veasey  
 CD 35 – U.S. Rep. Lloyd Doggett  
 CD 36 – Michael Cole  
 SD 9 --- Gregory Perry  
 SD 10 – Libby Willis  
 SD 14 – Sen. Kirk Watson  
 SD 15 – Sen. John Whitmire  
 SD 17 -- Rita Lucido  
 SD 23 – Sen. Royce West  
 SD 25 – Daniel Boone  
 HD 17 – Carolyn Banks  
 HD 21 – Gavin Bruney  
 HD 22 – Rep. Joe Deshotel

HD 23 – Susan Criss  
 HD 32 -- Rep. Todd Hunter  
 HD 34 – Rep. Abel Herrero  
 HD 35 – Rep. Oscar Longoria  
 HD 36 – Rep. Sergio Munoz  
 HD 39 – Rep. Armando “Mando” Martinez  
 HD 40 – Rep. Terry Canales  
 HD 41 – Rep. Bobby Guerra  
 HD 43 – Kim Gonzalez  
 HD 17 – Carolyn Banks  
 HD 21 – Gavin Bruney  
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 HD 35 – Rep. Oscar Longoria  
 HD 36 – Rep. Sergio Munoz  
 HD 39 – Rep. Armando “Mando” Martinez  
 HD 40 – Rep. Terry Canales  
 HD 41 – Rep. Bobby Guerra  
 HD 43 – Kim Gonzalez  
 HD 46 – Rep. Dawanna Dukes  
 HD 48 – Rep. Donna Howard  
 HD 49 – Rep. Elliott Naishtat  
 HD 50 – Rep. Celia Israel  
 HD 51 – Rep. Eddie Rodriguez  
 HD 61 -- Matt Britt  
 HD 74 – Rep. Alfonso “Poncho” Nevárez  
 HD 75 – Rep. Mary González  
 HD 78 – Rep. Joe Moody  
 HD 79 – Rep. Joe Pickett  
 HD 80 – Rep. Tracy King  
 HD 85 -- Cynthia Drabek  
 HD 87 -- Abel Bosquez  
 HD 91 -- David L. Ragan  
 HD 92 -- Tina Penney  
 HD 94 -- Cole Ballweg  
 HD 95 – Rep. Nicole Collier  
 HD 100 – Rep. Eric Johnson  
 HD 101 – Rep. Chris Turner

HD 102 – George Clayton  
 HD 103 – Rep. Rafael Anchia  
 HD 104 – Rep. Roberto Alonzo  
 HD 105 – Susan Motley  
 HD 106 -- Lisa Osterholt  
 HD 107 – Carol Donovan  
 HD 108 – Leigh Bailey  
 HD 109 – Rep. Helen Giddings  
 HD 110 – Rep. Toni Rose  
 HD 111 – Rep. Yvonne Davis  
 HD 113 – Milton Whitley  
 HD 116 – Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer  
 HD 117 – Rep. Philip Cortez  
 HD 118 – Rep. Joe Farias  
 HD 119 – Rep. Roland Gutierrez  
 HD 120 – Rep. Ruth Jones McClendon  
 HD 123 – Rep. Mike Villarreal  
 HD 124 – Rep. José Menéndez  
 HD 125 – Rep. Justin Rodriguez  
 HD 131 – Rep. Alma A. Allen  
 HD 132 -- Luis Lopez  
 HD 133 -- Laura Nicol  
 HD 136 – John Bucy  
 HD 137 – Rep. Gene Wu  
 HD 139 – Rep. Sylvester Turner  
 HD 140 – Rep. Armando Walle  
 HD 141 – Rep. Senfronia Thompson  
 HD 142 – Rep. Harold Dutton Jr.  
 HD 143 – Rep. Ana Hernandez  
 HD 144 – Rep. Mary Ann Perez  
 HD 145 – Rep. Carol Alvarado  
 HD 146 – Rep. Borris L. Miles  
 HD 147 – Rep. Garnet Coleman  
 HD 148 – Rep. Jessica Farrar  
 HD 149 – Rep. Hubert Vo

### HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

LU#20 Business Office: 972-263-1122 website: [ibew20.org](http://ibew20.org)

IBEW LU#20 Federal Credit Union: 214-363-9223

IBEW LU#116 Federal Credit Union: 817-335-3658

Annuity Fund: 972- 943-9559

Delta Dental: 1-800-336-8264

VSP Vision Provider 1-800-877-7195 or visit their website at [www.vsp.com](http://www.vsp.com)

IBEW-NECA Southwestern Health and Benefit Fund: 972-980-1123 - Visit website at [www.abpa.com](http://www.abpa.com), for forms, insurance book, hours, to see if you are covered and see if your contractor has paid your benefits.

North Texas Electrical JATC: 972-266-8383 - Website: [www.ntejatc.org](http://www.ntejatc.org)

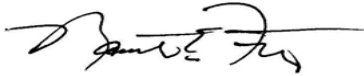
**RETIRED MEMBERS LUNCHEON****FORT WORTH RETIRED MEMBERS:**

The Fort Worth Retired Members will meet at the IBEW 116 Federal Credit Union, located at 603 S. Adams in Fort Worth, TX. (corner of S. Adams and Pennsylvania), on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 12:00 Noon. Come at 11:00 AM if you want to play dominos. Lunch is at The Rose Bud at 1:30 PM. If you need more information, call Tooter Mills at 817-292-9727.

**DALLAS RETIRED MEMBERS:**

The "Has Been Club" of IBEW Retired Members are meeting at 11:30 AM on the third Wednesday of each month at Los Rancheros Restaurant, at 2224 Gus Thomasson Rd., Dallas, Tx. For more information, please call or e-mail James Creech at 972-279-7606, e-mail address is jimdandy602@yahoo.com.

Fraternally,



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