



## Local 317 Officer Nomination and Election Information:

As per the Constitution of the International and the By-laws of Local 317, this is to notify all members of Local 317 that nominations for Officer positions will be made at the June 2009 General Membership meeting. Terms of office shall be for three (3) years. The meeting will take place on **June 9th, 2009 at Classic Lanes, 7501 South Howell Avenue, Oak Creek, Wisconsin.** **The meeting will begin 7:00p.m.**

Nominations will be held for the following Officer positions: Business Manager, President, Vice President, Recording-Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Executive Board Members, three (3) Trustees, three (3) Auditors, and Guard/Conductor.

Nominations can only be made by a member of the Union in good standing who is present at the June Membership Meeting. Any member may nominate him/herself or a fellow member. A member can run for no more than two officer positions. Per the Local 317 By-laws, a member may not hold a major office (Business Manager, President, Vice President, Recording Corresponding Secretary, Financial Secretary and Treasurer) and another position on the Executive Board.

Eligibility for voting and placement on the ballot shall be determined by membership status as of May 31, 2009.

To be eligible to be a candidate for the position of Business Manager, a person must be a member of the Union for at least two (2) years and be in continuous good standing for the **twenty four (24) months** prior to the nominations meeting.

To be eligible to be a candidate for the positions of President, Vice President, Recording Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Executive Board member, Trustee, Auditor and Guard/Conductor, a person must be a member of the Union for at least two (2) years and be in continuous good standing for the **twelve (12) months** prior to the nominations meeting.

Nine (9) Executive Board members will be elected, one from each of the following:

- General Membership (non-WE)
- Milwaukee County Power Plant
- Oak Creek Power Plant
- Elm Road Generation Station
- Site Bulk Material Handling
- Steam Services
- Port Washington Generating Station and Combustion Turbines
- Valley Power Plant and Public Service Building
- Pleasant Prairie Power Plant

**A nominee for any of the above officer positions must be in attendance at all regularly scheduled Local 317 Union meetings held after nominations and before the election, or be excused from attendance in accordance with the International Constitution. "Good standing" means that a person must be current on dues or on payroll dues deduction.**

A motion to close nominations for each position will be in order after the Chairperson calls for further nominations three (3) consecutive times and no new nominations are made. Following the meeting in which nominations are held, a notice will be sent by mail to each nominee within five (5) days of the nomination meeting. The notice will include a written form(s) for the nominee to sign accepting the nomination or declining the nomination. The acceptance form(s) are to be returned within ten (10) calendar days of receipt or the nominee will be considered as declining all nomination(s) for which the member has been nominated. Nominees for office are responsible to make sure that the Union office has their correct mailing address.

The names of all candidates for each office or position shall be placed on the ballot in the order as nominated.

There shall be at least four (4) tellers and they shall be elected at the Regular June Membership Meeting. These tellers shall comprise the election committee and the committee shall select a chairperson. The election committee shall be responsible to oversee and conduct the election. Election committee members may not be candidates for office.

The election shall be by mail referendum ballots. The ballots shall be mailed three (3) weeks prior to election. Ballots must be received in the special Post Office Box by noon on the day of the August Membership Meeting. Tellers shall start counting the ballots at 1:00p.m. on the day of the August Membership Meeting. The election committee chairperson shall supervise the counting and upon completion of the count, he/she shall provide the tally sheets to the Recording/Corresponding Secretary who shall then proceed to the Union Meeting with the tally sheets and announce the totals.

The candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected, except that the three (3) candidates receiving the highest number of votes for Trustee and Auditor shall be declared elected.

Copies of the Responsibilities and Duties for Local 317 elected positions are available for review at the Union office.

#### **Upcoming Membership Meeting and Election Dates:**

**June 9, 2009:** Nominations, teller selection and salary determination.

**July 14, 2009:** Mandatory meeting for members who are nominated for all Officer positions.

**August 11, 2009:** Counting of votes and announcement of the results at the General Membership meeting.

**September 8, 2009:** Installation of Officers.

**The above meetings will all be held at Classic Lanes in Oak Creek unless otherwise noticed.**