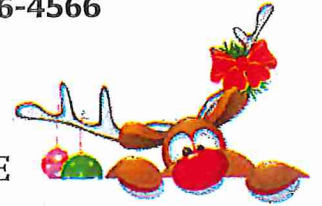


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DECEMBER 2020 MEETINGS

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, December 1, 2020
5:00pm Local 70 Office
2722 County Road D East, White Bear Lake, MN

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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LOCAL 70 OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

December 21st, 2020 through
January 1st, 2021,
to observe the
Christmas & New Year's Holidays.

**FROM THE DESK OF
DAVID MONSOUR, BUSINESS MANAGER**

Hopefully, everyone had a safe and festive Thanksgiving. I know for my home that means a nice traditional holiday meal with many personal favorites. This year was a bit different. To respect the direction of the CDC among others we restricted attendance to immediate household. We are hoping to do our part to combat this pandemic. Please thank all of the wonderful emergency responders that are placing themselves in danger by helping us through these times of crisis.

Negotiations continue in most if not all open contracts. In the rare case that Interest Arbitration is part of the procedure we are following that as well. Times are different, what would have once been a straightforward procedure of handling negotiations we are finding our meetings being virtual often. Here at the office we have been involved in a minimum of four (4) different forums for conducting these meetings. Most of the time sitting alone in a room in front of a computer and trying to make the best of things. I cannot imagine the difficulty in attempting to instruct in a school setting with distance learning. Everyone has a different capacity to absorb and adapt to new methods of communication. For some it can be a smooth transition, for others it is frustrating and cumbersome.

For those members that are participating I ask that you keep an open mind. Your representatives are doing their best to keep the affected parties as best informed as possible. If you have questions, ask them, utilize technology as best you can. Please respond when your rep solicits your input, participate in proposal meetings. Most work sites have restricted access protocols in place, meaning the Union does not have free access as we once did.

Our General Membership Meetings continue to be cancelled until further notice. The Local 70 Executive Board will continue to meet either virtually or in person going forward.

Wishing everyone a Festive Holiday Season, I do not want to leave any holiday greeting out so I will do my best to wish happiness to all.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza!

And not to forget, Happy New Year!

Mask up, wash your hands and be respectful to others.



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ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Please make sure you notify the Local 70 office at 651-646-4566 with any changes in your home mailing address, job location, hours you are working and wage information. We want to maintain accurate information on our members so you receive important mailings and other information pertaining to union membership, pension information, proposal meetings and contract votes for your job site. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.



*FROM YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS
AT LOCAL 70!*

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