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AFGE PROUD TO MAKE AMERICA WORK AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES - AFL-CIO

Local 200

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NOTE: This Newsletter Advocates no Partisan Activity or Actions Pro or Con Regarding Political Candidates.

MEETING NOTICE

TBD

WJHTC Air Quality Issues **ACTIONS:**

- Pressed the WJHTC OSHECCOM for action
- AFGE/NFFE/NATCA delivered Employee Testimonials and pictures to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) requesting a Health Hazard Evaluation (HHE) of WJHTC Air Quality.

RESULTS:

- 1. Collaborated with WJHTC Mgt to create a WJHTC Air Quality Working Group.
- 2. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) completed the requested evaluation and results can be found on the Safety website page:

https://my.faa.gov/content/dam/myfaa/org/staffoffice s/ang/directorates/wjhtc/centerops/environmental/H ealth%20and%20Safety/Official Notifications/HETA -2019-0070_NIOSH_Evaluation.pdf

3. WJHTC Mgt and the Unions are committed to ensuring healthy air quality for all employees.

AFGE Local 200 on the Web:

Web - General Info, Organization, Links http://afgelocal200.org/

Facebook - Posts, Pictures, Interaction https://www.facebook.com/AfgeLocal200/ Twitter - tweets of general interest. https://twitter.com/AFGELocal200

If provided, we reach out to dues paying members thru private email for updates

AFGE Local 200 BJs Group **Account**

- Allows for Dues Paying Members to get annual membership at: \$30
- Contact our Treasurer for the eligibility letter needed for the discount

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Contact any Union officer to review your Employee/Representation Rights.

- During Meetings With Mgt
- During Discussions With Mgt
- When questioned on Potential Discipline
- When Discussing 'New' Assignments
- Etc.

Contract Article Overview

ARTICLE 35: TELEWORK:

HIGHLIGHTS OF YOUR RIGHTS INCLUDE:

- You are entitled to participate in the Employer's Telework Program
- Employee participation is voluntary
- It is FAA policy to actively encourage the use of teleworking to the maximum extent possible
- Employees have a right to submit a Telework request by Telework Agreement
- Manager decisions must be in a fair, objective, and equitable manner, and based on sound business practices, not arbitrary limitations.

NOTE: It appears the Agency is attempting to restrict Telework and attempt "arbitrary limitations" on Telework. If you believe you are being compelled to change Telework agreements or being denied Telework unfairly, contact us to discuss your rights.

WHAT HAS AFGE 200 DONE FOR YOU AND THE WJHTC

- 1. Fought and Won against Privatization
- 2. Govt Shutdown Awareness/Support
- 3. Advocating to FAA Executives for **AFGE Employee Issues**
- 4. Successfully fought against easier employee firing
- 5. Fighting to restore Union affiliation for 9 employees removed from Local 200 and all Union eligibility
- 6. Compelled creation of a WJHTC Air **Quality Working Group to address** dozens of reports of employee respiratory issues.
- 7. Successfully fought against changes to Telework agreements
- 8. Rejected a WJHTC Government **Vehicle Tracking Pilot Program**
- 9. Representation in:
 - a. Multiple EEO complaints
 - b. Discipline Matters
 - c. Temporary Telework
 - d. Safety Issues (UCRs)
 - e. Pest Control practices
 - f. Cube Relocations (individual/bulk)
 - g. Breast feeding policy
 - h. Hostile Work Environments
 - i. Changes in work assignments
 - j. Employee Requested Reassignment

TEMPORARY LOCATION

AFGE Local 200 Office

Due to the Bdlg 300 HVAC Project Relocations, AFGE will be at:

300/2/M35

Come by and visit!!!



AFGE Local 200 Union officers are:

Fair Practices Coordinator - Richard Levey Women's Issues Coordinator – Kim Astillero Veteran's Issues Coordinator – Joe Iovanisci Steward - Lakeisha Bing

Vacancies exist for Union Reps - Contact Us!

Vice President - Ron Consalvo Secretary/Steward - Daphne Atwood

Steward - Derek Gilbert

Steward - Joe Iovanisci Steward - Maureen Smith Steward - Pete Quartararo

Steward - Dave King

Steward - Dave Madara Steward - Kim Astillero

President - Robert Challender

Treasurer - Pam Schuman

Chief Shop Steward - Richard Levey