## Trans Artic Loge 2309 Lodge



ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE des MACHINISTES et des TRAVAILLEURS DE L'AÉROSPATIALE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION of MACHINISTS and AEROSPACE WORKERS



## CHANGES TO THE LOCAL LODGE 2309 NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCESS FOR THE 40TH GRAND LODGE CONVENTION DELEGATES

Local Lodge delegates to the Grand Lodge convention are nominated and elected in accordance with the IAMAW constitution Article II, SEC 3. The constitution requires nominations to take place at Local Lodge April General membership meetings and elections to take place at the Local Lodge May General membership meetings in each convention year. The COVID-19 pandemic has forced the cancellation of the April, May and June 2020 General membership meetings for just about all District and Local Lodges across North America. As a result of these forced membership meeting cancellations, International President, Brother Robert Martinez issued a special dispensation to all District and Local Lodges throughout the IAMAW dated April 6, 2020. The dispensation allowed Lodges who were unable to hold their April, May or June General membership meetings to utilize an alternate mail out process to conduct the nomination and election of their delegates to the 40th Grand Lodge convention. The convention is scheduled to be held in San Diego, CA from September 6 to 12, 2020. These dates are subject to change dependent upon the approval of local California health authorities for large social gatherings at that time.

Due to the forced cancellation of our April and May 2020 General membership meetings, LL2309 will be conducting the nomination and election process for our Grand Lodge convention delegates in accordance with the procedures and timelines detailed in the special dispensation. LL2309 was provided with a master membership list and mailing address labels by the Grand Lodge records department that were used to conduct the mail out nomination and election process. Nomination forms and an explanation letter were mailed out to all members via Canada Post on Monday, May 11, 2020. Members may submit nominations for up to a maximum of eight (8) members in good standing, including themselves, who have attended a minimum of 50% of the LL2309 General membership meetings in the last 12 months.

The deadline for the receipt of the completed nomination forms to the LL2309 Recording Secretary, Brother Jozsef Tornyos, is <u>Friday</u>, <u>May 29 2020</u>. Nomination forms received after that date will NOT be considered as valid.

If a vote is required after the close of nominations, ballots will be prepared and a second mail out to members containing the ballots and balloting instructions will take place as soon as possible in June.

All nomination forms and ballots must be returned to the LL2309 Recording Secretary on or before the appropriate deadlines via Canada Post. Members are NOT permitted to bundle nomination forms or ballots and submit them on behalf of other members. **Each member must return their own nomination form and ballot.** 

In solidarity

Robert Milbers, President Local lodge 2309