



TWU officers, staff and committee leaders, left to right: Brendan Moriarty, Rob Hill, Kelly Floyd, John Samuelsen, Mike Mayes, Ernesto Gomez, Sonya Payne, Dee Lozito, Angelo Cucuzza, Erron Ford, Nick Bedell, Shane Rogers Mauro, Tracy Erazo and Thom McDaniel

Committees

The chairmen and chairwomen of our TWU committees at JetBlue held a meeting with leaders of The Transport Workers Union of America, including International President John Samuelsen and Administrative Vice President Mike Mayes, in New York City on Aug. 6. The meeting was held to update TWU’s leadership on committee activities – and to discuss ways the International can further assist the developing TWU Local.

Special Projects Coordinator Angelo Cucuzza, Campaigns Director Nick Bedell and TWU International V.P. Thom McDaniel also participated in the four-hour session. Here are updates from some of our committees. We will have more in the next edition of The B6 Flyer.

Legislative

The Legislative Committee has slowed its activities as Congress is in late-summer recess, but the committee has been active in Washington, D.C., holding meetings with elected officials and attending hearings.

Legislative Committee Chairman Erron Ford and Health and Safety Committee Chairman Shane Rogers-Mauro were in the capital in July and toured the TWU headquarters. Joined by TWU Political Action Director Regina Eberhart, Ford and Rogers-Mauro then went to Capitol Hill where they met with Florida Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz. They spoke to her about the toxic fume events plaguing our industry, and the need for Congress to support implementation of the 10-hour rest rules.

The committee chairs are staying informed about any hearings and events that relate to our interests as Inflight Crewmembers and airline professionals. They are also monitoring any legislation that could affect us, especially implementation of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018.

When Congress comes back into session, committee members will redouble their efforts to make sure our interests are represented.

Hotel

Your hotel committee hit the ground this summer to ensure our collective voice is heard when it comes to our layover experience. In addition to our required property visits, we are constantly monitoring your complaints, and compliments, to ensure

that your issues are being addressed by leadership and API.

Thanks to your feedback, the Stratosphere (LAS) is now placing latches in their rooms. If you have any unpleasant experiences at the Stratosphere, please report them through the mycrewhotel app.



We alerted management and API of immediate concerns regarding the protests in Puerto Rico. We are happy to report that management agreed to temporarily relocate us from Old San Juan for our crews’ safety!

If you have a concern that needs a personal touch, feel free to contact us at (hotel.b6twu@gmail.com). A member from your committee will reach out to you as soon as possible.

Education

The B6 TWU Advocacy Education program strives to create an environment of unity and empowerment. In teaching advocates union structure, team building activities, effective meeting strategies, as well as listening practices, goal setting and accountability, we are creating a workplace where knowledge of contracts,

laws, and work rules will enhance and protect our work force.

The Education and Training Committee has a list of more than 70 people system-wide who have expressed interest in attending advocacy training, which we are planning. We have sent contact letters to many people. If you haven’t received a letter, and are interested, please send a note to the email below.

We have found ways to make this training more accessible. We’ve condensed the material and shortened the duration of the advocacy training so we can accommodate more frequent sessions. We have proposed committee specific training for some advocates voicing interest in the grievance committee. These changes from the initial program would allow for more participants to become trained B6 TWU Advocates in a shorter duration of time.

We also want to provide more accessibility with regards to crewmember’s busy schedules. Our goal is to be able to host a training session in each base for accessibility and we are striving to have at least 100 advocates by year’s end to be working in the various interim committees supporting our crewmembers.

We are always STRONGER TOGETHER. If you are interested in attending one of these training sessions and have not yet contacted the Education and Training Committee directly we invite you to do so. You can email us at Education.training.b6twu@gmail.com.

Do you have a story idea or comment? Contact the Communications Committee at communications.b6twu@gmail.com and TWU communications representative Pete Donohue at pdonohue@twu.org