



## **BULLETIN – AUGUST 2023**

### **MEETINGS:**

**August 3, 2023 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. –**

**24-hr. Stop Work Membership Meeting (Warner Grand - 478 W. 6th St., San Pedro)**

**August 15, 2023 – Tuesday – 2:00 p.m. – Grievance Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)**

**August 16, 2023 – Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – Regular Clerks LRC Meeting (Ste. 204)**

**August 17, 2023 – Thursday – 12:00 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting (Ste. 200)**

**August 30, 2023 – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – Promotions Committee Meeting (Ste. 204)**

**24-HOUR STOP WORK MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – Reminder that our meeting will be held this Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 p.m. at the Warner Grand in San Pedro. Doors will open at 11:00 a.m. and the meeting will start promptly at noon. Now that the Longshore Caucus has concluded and voted to send the Tentative Agreement to the rank and file for a vote, we will be spending most of the meeting going over every aspect of the new agreement so that everyone understands what was negotiated. A copy of the "Dispatcher" has been mailed to all members detailing the proposed 2022 – 2028 Pacific Coast Longshore and Clerk Contract Document (PCL&CD). Please make sure to bring your copy of "The Dispatcher" to the meeting. If you have not received a copy, you can get one in advance at the Local 63 Business Office. In addition, a limited amount will be available at the meeting entrance at the check-in table.

**PCL&CA RATIFICATION REFERENDUM VOTE** - Balloting shall take place in all Longshore and Clerk locals between Monday, August 14, 2023, and Wednesday, August 23, 2023. All Class A and Class B registered Longshore workers and Clerks shall be allowed to vote on the contract settlement ballot. Local 63 will mail the ballots to Local 63 members' addresses of record once they are received from the International. Members must return these ballots to Local 63 by depositing their ballot in the Local 63 Business Office Lobby ballot box starting Monday, August 14, 2023, and no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 23, 2023. The Local 63 Business Office Lobby is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please note, due to concerns with mail delays and the short time frame for voting, ballots cannot be returned by mail. Members who do not receive their ballot in the mail, or who lose or damage their ballot, must come to the Local 63 Business Office NO LATER than 4:00 p.m. on August 23, 2023, to receive and cast their replacement ballot. Ballots shall not be counted before 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2023. The results of the balloting shall be reported by telephone to the International office by Friday, August 25, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. The Coast Balloting Committee will meet on Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at the International office in San Francisco to certify the votes.

**ELIMINATION OF PHONE DOUBLE BACK** – A motion was passed at the July Executive Board meeting to rescind the day and night double back phone dispatch. These minutes will be read at the Membership Meeting on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and will not go into effect until approved by the Membership.



**WELFARE CLAIMS** – Members who did not work the required number of hours to qualify for Welfare Plan benefits to continue beyond June 30, 2023, received written notification from the ILWU/PMA Benefit Plans that a welfare claim must be submitted. The Local will not automatically submit a claim for you. You **must** call or come into the Business Office to request a claim be submitted. It is your responsibility to provide the necessary information and request that a Welfare Claim be processed on your behalf. Please call the Local 63 Business Office if you have any questions: (310) 521-6363.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA WELFARE DIRECTOR** – Sam Alvarado will be present at the Local 63 Business office on **Tuesday, August 15th**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for any Local 63 members who need his services. Please call the Local 63 Business office ahead of time to schedule your appointment. *\*Appointment times fill up quickly, scheduling in advance is recommended.*

**WORK CARD FINES** – If you incur a \$20 work card fine, it is your responsibility to ensure that month's work card is turned in electronically or physically before the following month to avoid the GW-46 Rule maximum penalty of \$200. For example, if you see "Late Work Card for June 2023" on your statement in July, that means your June work card was received late or it was never received. This can be verified by calling the Records Clerk at (310) 831-7963 or by viewing the "Late Work Card List" on Local 63's website [www.ilwu63.net](http://www.ilwu63.net). If your card was received late (after July 10<sup>th</sup> but before July 31<sup>st</sup>), that is simply a late work card and the \$20 fine applies. If your June work card is received any time after August 1<sup>st</sup>, you are in violation of GW-46 and subsequently fined \$50 per day that you work up to a maximum of 4 days/\$200. In this case, you will also be placed on the Red-Line Dispatch list until that work card is received by the Records Clerk.

**ONLINE GST & CA SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION CLASSES** – Once you receive your notice with the links and sign-on information, it is your responsibility to complete both modules. If you choose to take the online courses at the Wilmington Training Center, email [socalgsthelp@pmanet.org](mailto:socalgsthelp@pmanet.org) to schedule a time slot to use their computers. You must schedule this in advance as space is limited – **Do not wait until you are on non-dispatch, you will not be given preference.** Once both courses are completed, a notification will be sent to PMA, and you will be paid. (Note: Do not complete the GST course while you are on Disability or on a CWOOG day). As the letter explains, failure to complete these courses will result in being placed on non-dispatch. Working while on non-dispatch, whether Steady or Hall, will result in an Employer Complaint.

**DOUBLE BACKING** – If you have a comeback, make sure to call your own replacement and don't rely on the Company, Supercargo, or Chief Supervisor to do it for you. Remember: **You are responsible for your own replacement.** For additional information refer to Rule GW-33. Please note the following: *A member must have a zero balance on their account with the Local in order to Double Back.* Local 63 has an online payment portal that may be reached by clicking "Payment Portal" on Local 63's website. The Payment Portal allows you to view and pay your outstanding dues and fines online. The system is very easy to use, and the payment will immediately post to your account, and you will receive a receipt via email.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GRIEVANCE AND WORK CARD COMMITTEES** – When filling out the work card, be sure to check hours for accuracy, completion of all columns/fields (front and back on physical work card) including daily totals. Also, MCA (Marine Clerk Average) must be shown when applicable. If utilizing the Work Card App, you must hit '**Submit**' when it's complete for the Records Clerk to receive it. It's always a good idea to log into the Local 63 Work Card Portal at [www.local63workcard.com](http://www.local63workcard.com) or by clicking on the "Work Card Portal" link on Local 63's website, in order to confirm that your work card was received. If you have any questions about completing your work card, see the Records Clerk.

**RECORDS CLERK OFFICE HOURS** – Clerks are reminded that the Local 63 Records Clerk Office is open three days a week – Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.