

General Chairman's Report

July 2020

I would like to thank all our brothers and sisters of Smart-Td Local 60 for their dedication, professionalism, and sacrifice during these trying times. As Essential Workers all of you have put your neck on the line in order to assist other Essential and Non Essential workers to their destination in a timely and safe manner. I will make sure your service to the Carrier and the riding public will not be forgotten.

Executive Order 125: Requires the wearing of mask for Commuters and Employees of NJT. Requesting NJT temporarily suspend Eating and Drinking on the trains.

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee: Appointed to the Governor to be part of this committee. Weekly Zoom meetings.

Workers Environment Council: Weekly Zoom Meetings sponsor by Rutgers University addressing Union Workers issues during the pandemic.

Personal Protective Equipment: Masks, Cleaning of Equipment, Hand Sanitizer, Touch Tools.

Full Service: July 7th the Carrier went back to full service. Our craft is the only craft that is assisting the Carrier with regards to recouping revenue. Prior to the pandemic and currently our craft is the only craft that affects and controls bringing revenue personally to the Carrier. No other craft has chosen to assist the Carrier to getting NJT back on its feet.

I-phones: Another method for collection of fares without contact with commuters.

NYPS: I'm addressing all concerns regarding Social Distancing, Hotel Facility, Air Conditioning, and ridership. How to make sure the 50% capacity rule established by the E.O. is adhered to.

Payroll Issues: A new system for payment of Gas Mileage is being created. FFRCA/FMLA compensation is being addressed at the highest level. Please continue to submit your Gas Mileage Claims.

Smart-TD Local 60 and the ATU has forged a stronger relationship by working together side by side throughout this pandemic. Both of our members share the same concerns and believe collectively we will be more effective working together to have these issues heard and addressed.

Assaults: Our members being assaulted are on the rise. This cannot be tolerated, and it's unacceptable. I ask that all members not to be confrontational with any commuter that feels their frustration with NJT is a reason to verbally or physically abuse our members. When these situation arise, have the Conductor call the police and have the commuter removed with out hesitation.

Crewcallers: The Crewcallers are still working from home. I know and understand everyone's concerns. We will continue to address these concerns. Any immediate concerns please reach out to myself, and Local Chairman of LCA-C Greg Roberts.

ACTP: Dead Head and Mileage issue will be addressed in the upcoming weeks. Its our stance when a ACTP student works at a location that's not Hoboken or NYPS is entitled DH and Mileage. Currently these members get first on and first off which contradicts our Agreement. There's nothing in writing stating otherwise. Please continue to submit these claims.

Dependent Eligibility: Any member that hasn't confirmed their dependents eligibility should do as much. The deadline is 7/15/2020. Members should provide required documentation. If a member doesn't have certain documentation or have any concerns please email MPimentel@njtransit.com. Millie has been great, and will assist you in any way possible. I have in writing that, as long as a member is attempting to verify their respective dependent their benefits will continue. We believe now is not the time to threaten to suspend a members coverage.

I would like to thank all of our officers for their support of you and our vision. I appreciate the work done by all of the officers more than you can understand. Our constant communication and their commitment to our Local is second to none. I cannot do this alone, and our team is strong and united.