

General Chairman's Report
January 30, 2021

I would like to wish everyone a happy New Years. I would also like to express my extreme gratitude for Local 60 dedication and resiliency with regards to the 2020 pandemic. Please continue to wear your masks, social distance, wash your hands and sanitize them as much as possible.

Covid-19 Protocol: When members come in direct contact with someone that test positive, he/she should call their medical physician. The procedures to follow for compensation is posted on our union website at utulocal60.com. Member's that cannot work because they're caring for their child or children no longer receives the 2/3 payments. These members can still use vacation and their personal time. Last week I and other labor leaders were involved in a Zoom meeting with Congresswoman Mikki Sherrill. I have requested the Congresswoman to see if there are any federal remedies for the above issue. Congresswoman Sherrill has and is a great supporter of Labor and of Smart-TD Local 60.

Vaccine: NJ Transit will be providing our members with the Covid-19 vaccine shots. Several conversation have been had with the Executives and Trenton to ensure Local 60 will be in the front of the line regarding the next round of vaccine shots. Until that time all members should go to our website and follow the protocols set by the state of New Jersey and sign up for the vaccine shot.

Contract: Our Works Rules Committee has met with the Carrier twice to address our Work Rules as prescribed in our Section 6 notice. I would like to thank brother Spratt and Rasmussen for the knowledge and preparation for these meetings. Both parties pick 5 Work Rules to discuss. Our next meeting will be held next week. As previously stated, work rules must be addressed in this contract period.

Uniforms: The Carrier has a new uniform company. This company is not the company chosen by the Uniform Committee that was made up of both members from Local 60 and Rail management. Our sisters will now be given the option to order shirts, pants, and vests with a female cut. We believe our sisters uniforms should not look or fit like our brothers uniforms. This uniform company will have four locations. We are currently working on resolution for those members who did not receive their 2020 uniform.

Education Committee: February 2021 we will kick off our Education Committee. We believe it's our responsibility to better educate our members with regards to our Craft, our Agreement, Railroad Retirement, etc. On a monthly or bi-monthly basis one or a group of our officers will address a certain topic for that month. The Zoom meeting will be recorded and posted on our sites for those who could not attend.

Homeless: We know the Homeless issue is out of control now more than ever. If any passenger doesn't have a ticket call the police. If any passenger is not following

the Executive Order regarding mask wearing, eating or drinking on the train please call the police. General Superintendent Beejack has been working with Amtrak police to address the worsening issue in NYPS. I will be meeting with both parties next week. This has also been brought to the attention of our Chief of Police and the Board of Directors.

Train Riding: Beginning next week your officers will be out train riding. This is to ensure we police ourselves, talk to the members and listen to any issues or concerns. This is also a time for all members to understand we need to wear our uniforms properly, which includes wearing our hats. We must perform our duties we're prescribed to perform period. We must show up to work on time, walk through your cars, clear your cars properly, hit the platforms to pass signals etc. If every member commits to doing their part, it makes it easier on everyone as a whole.

Gas Mileage: Back Gas Mileage should be complete. We know and have already made the Carrier aware there will be plenty of outstanding Gas Mileage payments. We are currently asking everyone that received back mileage payments, but are still missing some back mileage payments to compile the data and get them to us. Brother Spratt will be handling this and I would like to thank him for all the work he's put in towards payroll issues.

Crewcallers: Any crewcaller issues please fill out the issue on our website, and brother Roberts will handle. Brother Roberts has been doing a great job getting our members paid for crewcaller's issues without us having to submit any Penalty Time Cards. I would like to thank Brother Roberts for this daunting and thankless task.

MVD's: We are currently training members on MVD's on the Atlantic City and NY Extra Lists and the MMC. We know the device isn't perfect, but as we keep addressing our concerns with the Carrier we need you to attempt to use the MVD. This is the way of the future and we just need the Carrier to address our concerns. Brother Milan and Schneider have surveyed members on the MVD's and were able to provide this information to the Carrier. This information was very helpful and those issues will now be addressed. I would like to thank all the officers who assist on training members on the MVD's.

New Hire Panel: I would like to thank sister Brown, brother Robert's and Milan on the outstanding job they do regarding New Hire interviews. Our input is greatly appreciated by the Carrier and it's greatly appreciated by the Organization.

Politics: We are in difficulty times in this country politically. All of us are entitled to our opinions. We must be mindful of what we say to each other, on what we post on each other social media pages etc. Respect must be had and given to all of us, by all of us.

Thanks to all the brothers and sisters of Local 60. Let unite and look forward to a more productive and prosperous 2021.