



Bargaining committees meet while negotiations continue

As reported in last month's issue of *The Postal Record*, the National Association of Letter Carriers and the United States Postal Service formally opened negotiations for a new collective-bargaining agreement on Feb. 19. Since that ceremony, discussions have continued as the various bargaining committees meet on specific issues while main-table negotiations take place.

Members of the NALC Executive Council are each assigned to various bargaining committees. The Executive Council bargaining committee assignments are:

Main table: President Fredric Rolando, Executive Vice President Timothy O'Malley and Director of City Delivery Brian Renfroe

Contract Administration: Vice President Lew Drass, Region 5 National Business Agent Mike Birkett, Region 7 National Business Agent Chris Wittenburg and Region 15 National Business Agent Larry Cirelli

City Delivery: Renfroe, Region 1 National Business Agent Christopher Jackson, Region 3 National Business Agent Michael Caref and Region 11 National Business Agent Daniel Toth

Safety and Health: Director of Safety and Health Manuel L. Peralta Jr., Region 6 National Business Agent Patrick Carroll and Region 8 National Business Agent Peter Moss

OWCP and Retirement: Director of Retired Members Ron Watson and Region 14 National Business Agent John Casciano

Revenue and Service: O'Malley, Region 13 National Business Agent Timothy Dowdy and Region 9 National Business Agent Kenneth Gibbs

Dues and Membership: Secretary-Treasurer Nicole Rhine and Trustees Larry Brown (chairman), Mike Gill and Randall Keller

Uniforms: Director of Life Insurance Myra Warren and Region 4 National Business Agent Roger Bledsoe

Health Benefits: Director of Health Benefit Plan Brian Hellman and Region 12 National Business Agent William Lucini

National Agreement Resolutions: Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Judy Willoughby, Region 10 National Business Agent Kathy Baldwin and Region 2 National Business Agent Paul Price

The current agreement between NALC and USPS covers more than 204,000 city letter carriers. It is set to expire next month, on May 20 at midnight.

If the parties fail to reach an agreement by then, federal law establishes a system of mediation and binding arbitration to resolve disputes; the law forbids strikes by postal employees. **PR**