



From the Desk of President Rich Santa: A New Vision for the Next NEB

Brothers and Sisters,

On July 30, five new Regional Vice Presidents (RVPs) were elected by our Union to serve on the National Executive Board (NEB) starting on Sept. 1. I'd like to congratulate our newest members of the board. I look forward to the new ideas, energy, and contributions they will bring to the table.

We have already started onboarding the new RVPs to help them get up to speed through detailed briefings and presentations on our Union's biggest challenges. It is our hope that through this onboarding process, they will be prepared to hit the ground running when the new NEB meets for the first time on Sept. 4 in Omaha, Neb.

Our new NEB will be launching new initiatives that will provide increased engagement with the members through local and national educational programs and briefings. Our first membership briefing will occur on Monday in the New England Region.

I would like to thank our outgoing RVPs whose leadership and counsel helped to strengthen our Union and navigate through some difficult times for our membership. Your contributions will not soon be forgotten.

In Solidarity,





Rich Santa
NATCA President

PCT Members Attend Washington Nationals Game with Rep. McClellan's Chief of Staff

Potomac TRACON (PCT) FacRep Amy Lark and Facility Legislative Rep. Brian Schmelzel recently attended a Washington Nationals baseball game with the chief of staff for U.S. Representative Jennifer McClellan (Va.-4). Sadly, the Congresswoman was not in attendance as her mother had just passed, but Lark and Schmelzel brought a condolences card from NATCA for her.

Schmelzel and Lark discussed the FAA Reauthorization bill with the chief of staff, particularly the concerns in Virginia's 4th district about adding more flights to and from Washington National Airport (DCA). Schmelzel expressed sympathy for those worries, but emphasized that the hiring provisions in the bill were great for NATCA.



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This was the first time that Amy Lark represented NATCA at a legislative event. She came curious and left with greater insight on the Legislative

Welcome to Our Newest Members

Welcome to NATCA's newest members! Let's give a warm welcome to these sisters and brothers joining our NATCA family! We encourage NATCA members to reach out in their facilities to these new members, share your experiences, and help integrate them into our Union activities. Your guidance is invaluable in fostering our new members' growth and involvement. Together, we can ensure our members are well-informed and ready to advance our commitment to safety and advocacy in the skies. In the spirit of solidarity, here's to strengthening our Union with fresh perspectives and energy.



Alaskan Region

Storm Wooldridge (Anchorage Center, ZAN)

Central Region

Waylon Altizer (Kansas City Center, ZKC)
Tristan Pacheco (Springfield ATCT, SGF)

Eastern Region

Amanda Shiflett (Andrews ATCT,

Southern Region

Ryan Barhorst (Miami Center, ZMA)
Demonte Burrell (Augusta ATCT, AGS)
Margaret Cassidy (Opa Locka FCT, OPF)
Axel Espiritusanto (DeKalb-Peachtree ATCT, PDK)
Juan Figueroa (Ocala FCT, OCF)
Freddy Garcia (Miami Center, ZMA)
Tyler Lippiatt (Augusta ATCT, AGS)
Maurice Letourneau (Montgomery

ADW)

Alfred Maldonado (Patrick Henry
ATCT, PHF)

Thomas Koemm (New York Center,
ZNY)

Great Lakes Region

Robert Ferguson (Cuyahoga County
FCT, CGF)

New England Region

Aaron Eiler (Boston TRACON, A90)
Julia Kerti (Providence ATCT, PVD)
Hannah Lougee (Providence ATCT,
PVD)

Northwest Mountain Region

Zachariah Kinnersley (Spokane
ATCT, GEG)

Region X

Scott Green (Engineer/Central
Region, ECE)

Vincent Hare (Engineer/Southern
Region, ESO)

Michael Harrington
(Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW)
Matthew Koziolk

(Engineer/Aeronautical Center, EAC)

Aaron Simonson (Engineer/Western-
Pacific Region, EWP)

ATCT, MGM)

Leonardo Suarez (Miami Center,
ZMA)

Victoria Taggio (Opa Locka FCT,
OPF)

Hannah Shiyou (Memphis TRACON,
M03)

Southwest Region

Dawson Grell (Baton Rouge ATCT,
BTR)

Luke Hightower (Waco ATCT, ACT)

Brandon Kirk (Waco ATCT, ACT)

Dakota Lonati (Fort Smith ATCT,
FSM)

Rodrigo Luna (Houston Center, ZHU)

Ruben Medina (Midland ATCT, MAF)

Austin Myers (Roswell ATCT, ROW)

Western Pacific Region

Angel Cortes (Fresno ATCT, FAT)

Kevin Danao (North Las Vegas
ATCT, VGT)

Ethan Gessel (Los Angeles Center,
ZLA)

Lorena Lising (Oakland Center, ZOA)

Neil Patel (Oakland Center, ZOA)

Aliyah Rossil (Los Angeles Center,
ZLA)

Sebastian Shipley (Fresno ATCT,
FAT)

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