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BULLETIN

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

At the 42nd General Convention, a number of amendments and changes to the UBC Constitution were approved. These amendments are effective as of October 1, 2020 unless otherwise stated.

The purpose of this Bulletin is to provide a summary of some of the significant changes to the UBC Constitution that were enacted at the 42nd General Convention. Copies of the amended Constitution are being distributed to all affiliates.

We encourage you to review this Bulletin carefully and to forward a copy to all appropriate officers and staff.

INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL

Numerous sections (6, 17, 25, 26, 31, 42, 45, 52, 53 and 57) of the UBC Constitution were amended to remove references to the Industrial Council as it was dissolved effective April 30, 2019 and there is no further need for it to be included.

TRADE AUTONOMY

Section 7B was amended to include trade work currently being performed. Scaffold Erectors, Renewable Energy Installers, Concrete Polishers, Roofers and Drywall Finishers were added to this section and will also be added to the list of crafts in the Personify membership processing system.

CARPENTER MAGAZINE

Section 12B was amended to permit the Carpenter magazine to be delivered electronically by email or to the home address of each member.

GENERAL EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 14B was amended to reflect that the carpenter jurisdiction shall be in the Eastern District for Puerto Rico while the millwright jurisdiction shall remain in the Southern District.

GENERAL CONVENTION

Electronic mail address was added to Section 17G for communication purposes for delegates and alternates to the General Convention.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Section 42C was amended with the following language to allow membership to people under age 17, when “participating in an educational program allowed by state or provincial law.” This change will be implemented in the Personify membership processing system.

APPRENTICESHIP

Section 43C was amended to increase the contribution to the Carpenters International Training Fund (CITF) by \$0.01 (one cent) per hour per year for the next 5 years, going from \$.10 to \$.15 per hour. **The effective date of the initial annual increase is January 1, 2021.**

ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

The Obligation (Section 44D) was amended to simplify and eliminate antiquated language while maintaining the tradition, spirit, and commitment we all swear to. Please use the new version of the membership application with the new obligation language going forward.

FINANCES AND DUES

Section 45A will be updated to reflect the current minimum dues of \$16.80 for Schedule 1 and \$14.90 for Schedule 2.

Section 45R was amended to allow for an increase in hourly per capita over the next five years to be determined by the General Executive Board. Currently, the rate is \$.05 per hour, it would allow for a maximum of \$.10 per hour.

The General Executive Board has determined that there will be an increase of \$.02 effective January 1, 2021, for a total contribution of \$.07 per hour.