



# BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS & TRAINMEN

GENERAL COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT  
Canadian National - Wisconsin Central Ltd  
*Including former DM&IR, DWP and EJ&E Railways*

## General Chairman's Report - July 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This is a condensed synopsis of the General Committee's activities for the month of July 2017.

### CORRESPONDENCE

- With Local Chairmen, BLET National, and Labor Relations regarding various time claims, contract interpretations and discipline issues.
- With CN Labor Relations regarding ADR Mediation/Arbitration, pay for removal of discipline, managers on trains, protection when awarded a new assignment with a call window, OSHA violations First Division Arbitration and excessive discipline.
- With BLET National Division concerning Mediation/Arbitration, CBA issues, Section 6 Notice, where members hold membership, Hours of Service waiver with FRA and Town Hall meeting in Chicago.
- With CN General Managers regarding managers on trains, management changes, red light violations, restricted speed violations, OSHA violations, and excessive discipline issues.
- Discuss issues of mutual concern with IC GC Craddock, UP GC Crow and CP GC Semenek.
- Also received 137 phone calls in the month of July 2017 discussing various issues with Labor Relations, Timekeeping, Managers, Local Chairmen and Members.

### Handled various issues regarding, but not limited to:

- General Office Duties: Telephone and Correspondence Communications
- Contract issues

- GTS claims
- Discipline appeals
- Discipline issues
- Investigation assistance
- National Health & Welfare Plan assistance
- The Hartford, Lincoln Financial, Principal and AFLAC Insurance
- Safety Committees
- Legislative – Wisconsin
- Critical incidents
- FMLA Assistance
- First Division Cases
- ADR Mediation/Arbitration
- BLET Auxiliary
- GCA Website – ongoing maintenance
- GTS claims
- PLD allotments
- OSHA
- Town Hall meeting with National President Pierce in Chicago, IL.
- Red light violations
- Restricted speed violations
- Bessemer Non-Contributory Pension Plan
- Where members hold membership
- Section 6 Notice
- Attendance issues
- Attachment “C”
- Protection when awarded a new assignment with a call window
- Job bids
- FRA Hours of Service waiver
- Tie-up locations
- Calling procedures
- Retirement assistance
- Out of cycle

**DISCIPLINE:**

In July 2017, this office received two (2) new discipline cases from the Local Chairmen of the following Divisions:

- Division 174 – 1
- Division 184 – 1

In July 2017, this office submitted two (2) discipline appeals to Labor Relations for the following Division:

- Division 188 – 2

In July 2017, this office scheduled three (3) discipline appeals for conference to Labor Relations for the following Divisions:

- Division 173 – 2
- Division 520 – 1

### **TIME CLAIMS:**

In July 2017, this office received forty-three (43) new time claims from the Local Chairmen of the following Divisions:

- Division 188 – 14
- Division 520 - 29

In July 2017, this office appealed forty-three (43) Step 3 time claims to Labor Relations for the following Divisions:

- Division 163 – 7
- Division 188 – 13
- Division 520 – 23

In July 2017, this office scheduled forty-eight (48) time claims to conference at next LMRC for the following Divisions:

- Division 163 – 5
- Division 173 – 16
- Division 184 – 3
- Division 188 - 24

In July 2017, there was two (2) time claims paid at the Step 3 level to Labor Relations for the Division 209 for a total of \$678.25 for improper tie-up location and performing service on rest day.

**REMEMBER THAT IN A CONTRACT ISSUES**  
**THE**  
**BURDEN OF PROOF LIES WITH YOU**

**MEETINGS – OUT OF TOWN MEETINGS**

7/24/2017- 7/27/2017	Bloomington, IL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met with BLET-VP Ruef and VLC Hau concerning First Division cases, Section 6 notice and CBA issues</li> </ul>
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**MEETINGS - IN TOWN MEETINGS**

7/11/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met with WSLC Schulz concerning Wisconsin legislative issues</li> </ul>
7/18/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met with Member of 209 concerning assignment changes in Green Bay</li> </ul>

I am pleased to announce the CN-WC Committee will be co-hosting a Town Hall Union Meeting featuring guest speaker BLET National President Dennis Pierce on Thursday, September 7, 2017 at Roselle, IL. Luncheon is sponsored by BRCF and Cornerstone Assurance Group. Please see the flyer attached to this report.

Fraternally yours,

*John Reynolds*

John Reynolds  
 General Chairman, CN-WC BLET



ATTENTION:  
ALL BLET MEMBERS  
PLAN TO ATTEND

TOWN HALL UNION MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017 @ 10:00 AM

Villaggio Ristorante  
1242 Lake Street  
Roselle, IL 60172

GUEST SPEAKER



NATIONAL PRESIDENT DENNIS R. PIERCE

MEETING IS HOSTED BY

BNSF-SANTA FE GENERAL COMMITTEE

CN/C MIDSOUTH/SOUTHWESTAL GWWR/METRA-ELECTRIC CRR I&M GENERAL COMMITTEE

CN-WC GENERAL COMMITTEE

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