

# SWA Negotiations Team Preps for the Beginning of Talks



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Your Negotiating Committee for District 142, along with the General Chairs from District 142 and Grand Lodge representatives, participated in the Negotiation Preparation for Bargaining Committees program at the William W. Winpisinger Center in Hollywood, MD. The District represents employees at Southwest Airlines. Your committee consists of:

April Butler – General Chair

Charity Hamer – CSA MDW

Carrie Lessley – General Chair

Dennis De Frank – SOS DAL

Jessica  
Chair  
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General  
Nancy Shortino –

Kenny Champagne – General Chair

Lollie Beecher – CSA MSY

Sheri Parmann – CSA FLL

Teresa Beynon – CS&S PC

The current contract with District 142 and Southwest Airlines expires December 2, 2018. The Union and Company has agreed to open talks early, to have an agreement prior to the amendable date. The Committee strategized to improve quality of life

issues, put better language in the contract, and to build solidarity in the bargaining unit.

“The week at the Winpisinger Center – very intense long days with instructors full of knowledge, gave us the opportunity to assemble and develop a detailed plan to secure the best contract possible,” said President, Directing General Chair Dave Supplee. “The Committee worked hard, and they leave the Center better prepared to advance the needs of the Southwest Airlines members.” With the assistance from the Instructors, IAM Legal and Strategic Resources, we are prepared. We are confident in securing the membership’s best interest at the table. This class was key in making that happen.

We will be exchanging contract openers with the company on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, in Dallas. We strongly encourage all members to sign up for email updates by going to the District website – [www.iamdl142.org](http://www.iamdl142.org) and selecting “Join our email list” at the top left of the home page. We will be sending updates after each week of negotiations.

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Dave Supplee

**PRESIDENT & DIRECTING  
GENERAL CHAIRMAN**

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