



Teamsters Make Progress on Key Issues as United Stalls on Scope and Economics

The United Airlines Teamsters National Negotiating Committee made meaningful internal progress at the bargaining table this week, working through several critical sections of the contract while the company once again showed up empty-handed.

While management continues to stall on delivering scope in particular — something they have been promising for months — Teamsters at United Airlines used the time to advance contract language in key sections, passing an expansive Article 14 (Safety and Health) proposal to the company, and moving closer to tentative agreements on Articles 18 (Union Security and Representation), 19 (Grievance Procedure), and 20 (Board of Arbitration).

The committee also had productive discussions with the company on their apprenticeship program, exploring ways to improve article language, as well as GSE and facilities issues, qualifications, and hours of service.

“These might seem like smaller issues, but clearing them now means we can stay laser-focused on winning strong economic and scope language,” said Clacy Griswold, Chair of the United Airlines Teamsters National Negotiating Committee. “We’ve shown we’re ready to move — now United needs to step up.”

Although discussions were positive, United failed once again to deliver their long-promised response on scope and has yet to return a meaningful economics proposal. The committee expressed frustration with the delay, noting that members have been clear: they won’t accept a contract without top-tier wages, retirement protections, and enforceable safety measures.

“At this point, it feels like the committee is doing all the work for United,” said Roger Kanakaole, a technician from Teamsters Local 986 serving on the negotiating committee. “We’ve been pushing this process forward and making it as easy as possible for nearly a year while the company keeps stonewalling — we demand real movement.”

Bargaining will resume in San Francisco on August 5.