The TWU has received several requests for information related to the Convention from people seeking to be candidates for officer positions. Rather than answering these questions in a manner that would restrict the information communicated to those who posed the questions, we have elected to post the information on the TWU Website, where all TWU members may review the information set forth.

Agenda:
In general, it can be stated that the agenda of the Convention is expected to be similar to the agenda for the last several Conventions: it must begin with a consideration of the reports of the Rules Committee and the Credentials Committee; and it will include, of course, the nomination and election of International Officers and Executive Board members; consideration of Resolutions; Speakers; and Workshops. It is impossible to say, however, how the agenda may be formed into a schedule; even as of the beginning of the Convention, given the volatility of speakers’ schedules and the impact of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, the schedule will be subject to change.

Date of Nominations and Elections:
The date for nomination and election of TWU International officers and Executive Board members will be determined by the Rules adopted by the Convention, by vote of the delegates, at the beginning of the Convention, as clearly articulated in the Convention Call, which was mailed to delegates and posted on the 2017 Convention tab of the TWU website for months.

Resolutions:
Resolutions, including any that may propose Constitutional Amendments, may be presented to the Convention by the Convention Chair for consideration by the delegates at any time that the Convention is not occupied by other matters.

Guest Policy
Space at the Convention for attendance by non-delegate guests is very limited. The Guest Policy which was put into effect and was sent to Local Unions provides for each Local Union to designate two guests who may receive guest passes and will be admitted to the guest area of the Convention; in addition, delegates and alternates may each designate one person who may be admitted to social events, but not to the guest area of the Convention. Candidates for office who are not themselves delegates will be treated just as any other member under the Guest Policy; they will derive neither advantage nor disadvantage from their decision on whether to become candidates for office.

Opportunities to Address the Convention
The TWU Convention provides an opportunity for the hundreds of delegates who have been elected by the nearly one hundred TWU locals to address one another on subjects of mutual concern, and of concern to the members whom they represent. No non-delegate member will be permitted to assume the status of an elected delegate by being accorded the opportunity to address delegates at the Convention at this time.
Contact Information for Elected Delegates
TWU will not provide any candidates for office, including incumbents, with contact information for elected delegates. TWU will comply with the provisions of the LMRDA regarding this matter. Candidates are free to communicate with delegates outside the Convention hall.

Numbers of Delegates for Each Local
Delegates were apportioned to the various TWU Locals, based on average membership figures for the months of January, February and March of this year, in accord with the TWU Constitution.

Opportunities to Address Delegates at the Convention
Candidates will be free to address delegates outside the Convention Hall.