

Duties and Responsibilities

Government Affairs Committee

Qualifications and Expectations:

Strong communication skills are needed. Organization, computer and public speaking skills are recommended. Familiarization with the Legislative process and Members of Congress is helpful.

This Committee consists of one Chairperson. The Committee informs AFA-CWA Members about legislative action that could affect Flight Attendants' safety, income, working conditions, and job security. The Chairperson coordinates Membership communication and implementation of AFA- CWA's legislative program, including developing and coordinating voter registration drives for Flight Attendants. The Chairperson also promotes voluntary contributions to FlightPAC/CWA Cope, to help elect representatives who support Flight Attendant issues.

1. SCOPE:

- a.** The MEC Government Affairs Committee will keep members informed of legislative actions that could affect Flight Attendant income, working conditions, job security, safety and any other relevant issues.
- b.** The MEC Government Affairs Chairperson coordinates activity on all legislative issues with the MEC and AFA International, and shall interact with local, state and national legislatures, as appropriate, to advocate for AFA-CWA positions on relevant issues.

2. POLICY/RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a.** The MEC Government Affairs Committee shall consist of the MEC Government Affairs Committee Chairperson and the Local Government Affairs Committee Chairperson from each council.
- b.** Committee Members shall be registered to vote.

3. THE MEC CHAIRPERSON SHALL:

- a.** Administer the Committee and conduct activities to further the stated objectives of the AFA-CWA International Legislative Policy Committee.
- b.** Compose informational and educational articles of interest to the membership and provide them to the MEC Communications Chairperson to be included in MEC communications and posted to the MEC website.

4. THE COMMITTEE SHALL:

- a.** Act in an advisory role to the MEC on political matters.
- b.** Maintain involvement in the political activities sponsored by local and central Labor Councils with which the MEC or LECs are affiliated.

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