

July 14, 2026
(VIA EMAIL)

**OFFICIAL CALL
TO THE UAW
BUS, ENGINE, AND TRUCK
COUNCIL MEETING**



**TO: ALL PRESIDENTS OF UAW
BUS, ENGINE, AND TRUCK LOCAL UNIONS
AND COUNCIL DELEGATES**

Greetings:

The Bus, Engine, and Truck Council Meeting will be held Monday, October 12, 2026, through Thursday, October 15, 2026. The travel days will be Sunday, October 11, 2026, and Friday, October 16, 2026. The meetings will be held at:

Hyatt Regency Clearwater Beach
301 S Gulfview Boulevard
Clearwater, FL 33767

FOR RESERVATIONS USE BOOKING LINK:

[Book your group rate for UAW 2026 AERO/GD/BET Council Meeting Oct 2026](#)

Hotel and Parking Accommodations

A limited block of rooms has been set aside at the Hyatt Regency Clearwater Beach. The room rate is \$259 per night, plus applicable taxes. Local Unions should use the reservation link or call in their reservations directly to the hotel at: **(727) 373-1234** no later than **Friday, September 11, 2026**, before 11 p.m. E.S.T. to guarantee this special rate. Delegates must identify themselves as attendees of the **2026 UAW Aerospace/Heavy Truck, and GD Council Meeting**.

Any group participants who do not make their arrangements in this manner will **not** be linked to the group and will **not** be counted as part of the group block. Rooms will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Check in time is after 4 p.m. and check out is prior to 11 a.m. Parking rates (**Self Park**) are as follows:

Overnight - \$18 (in and out privileges)

Valet - \$40 (in and out privileges)

Cancellation of Rooms

A cancellation less than 7 days prior to arrival will result in a charge equal to one night's room rate, including tax. Early departures and no-shows will result in the same charge in addition to consequences. When cancelling a room, be sure to ask for a cancellation number; **non-cancelled room reservations will NOT be refunded**.

Flights

Attendees are responsible for making their own travel arrangements; the cost of the airline reservation and agency fee is the responsibility of the local union.

Arrangements for booking airline reservations have been made with Travel Solutions International (TSI USA). TSI USA requires a one-time registration for each local union agreeing to their services. Please complete the information required in this link: [TSI USA Electronic Travel Request Form](#). Please allow 24 hours for TSI USA to process the information provided. Once that step is complete, you may phone TSI USA at 1-214-915-9296 or you may email at uaw@tsiusa.com. The transaction fee for making airline reservations is \$25.00.

REGIONAL STAFF

Regional staff who will be attending the Council Meeting are required to notify Carmara Brandon, UAW Heavy Truck Department Secretary at (313) 926-5033 or email at cbrandon@uaw.net. Please indicate whether you will be accompanied by a guest. **Regional staff are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and transportation arrangements.**

Registration and Payment Information

There is a \$50 registration fee for each delegate attending the Council Meeting. Guests who accompany a delegate **MUST** be registered to have an accurate count for the reception. Guests who are not registered will not be able to attend the reception. **There will be a \$75 guest charge to attend the reception.** This fee will have to be paid in advance through LUIS, similar to the delegate registration fee payment. **There will be no checks or payments accepted at the Council Meeting.** Registration is available online **only**, using the following link:

Website: <https://conference.uaw.org/meeting.php>

Username: UAWFALLMEETING26

Password: FALLMEETING26

Local Unions should pay registration fees online through the LUIS system.

To pay electronically, please go to:

- Conference
- Aero. G.D. & B.E.T. Council
- Submit Payment

Follow the on-screen prompts and choose what delegates you are paying for.

The deadline for registration is **Friday, September 11, 2026**. On-site check-in for the Council Meeting will take place in the Aqualea Ballroom on Sunday, October 11, 2026, from 4 – 6 p.m., and on Monday, October 12, 2026, from 7 – 9 a.m. **The agenda will be distributed at registration.**

Per Diem

The allotted per diem for the Council Meeting will be as follows:

Sunday	\$55	Wednesday	\$55
Monday	\$26*	Thursday	\$55
Tuesday	\$55	Friday	\$25

**Dinner Provided*

Delegate Report Forms

Attached you will find a Local Union Delegate Report Form to be filled out by each Local Union attending the Council Meeting. Please fill it out and email it back to Carmara Brandon at cbrandon@uaw.net by **Friday, September 11, 2026**. There will be **no printing** on-site for Delegate Report Forms.

Meetings

The purpose of these meetings will be regular order of business, and any other pertinent issues the Council wishes to discuss.

The current BET Executive Board will meet on Sunday, October 11, 2026, at 6 p.m.

I trust your Local Union will be represented at the UAW Bus, Engine, and Truck and Related Workers Wage and Hour meetings.

Fraternally,



Shawn Fain
UAW President and Director
UAW Heavy Truck Department

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HT:Council Meetings/2026/Call Ltrs/BET Call Ltr/BET 10-2026

Attachment

cc: Heavy Truck Department Staff
Heavy Truck Regional Representatives
Heavy Truck Local Union Recording Secretary
Patrick Ashton, Assistant Director, UAW Region 9
Matt Blondino, Assistant Director, UAW Heavy Truck Department
Brandon Campbell, Director, UAW Region 4
Steve Dawes, Director, UAW Region 1D
Mark DePaoli, Director, UAW Region 1A
Lucas DeSpain, Assistant Director, UAW Region 4
LaShawn English, Director, UAW Region 1
Kevin Gotinsky, Top Administrative Assistant, UAW President's Office
David Green, Director, UAW Region 2B
Brandon Keatts, Chief of Staff, UAW President's Office
James Lakeman, Director, UAW Region 9
Dave Pagac, Assistant Director, UAW Region 1A
George Palmer, Jr., Assistant Director, UAW Region 8
Raymond Pecoraro, Assistant Director, UAW Region 1
Richard Smith, Assistant Director, UAW Region 2B
Tim Smith, Director, UAW Region 8
Adam Stevenson, Administrative Assistant, UAW Heavy Truck Department
Scott Zuckschwerdt, Assistant Director, UAW Region 1D

30th BUS, ENGINE, AND TRUCK (BET) COUNCIL ANNIVERSARY

This year's Council Meeting marks the 30th Anniversary of the UAW Bus, Engine, and Truck (BET) Council. To commemorate this milestone, we will recognize the history, achievements, and dedication of our Local Unions, delegates, and members who have strengthened the Council over the past three decades.

All Local Unions are encouraged to submit historical and current photographs for inclusion in the 30th Anniversary presentation and commemorative displays. Photos may include past Council Meetings, Bargaining Committees, workplace activities, retiree events, organizing efforts, and other moments celebrating the history of the BET Council.

Please upload your photos using the link below. When submitting photos, include your Local Union number, the approximate year the photo was taken, the names of individuals (if known), and a brief description.

30th BET Anniversary Photo Upload Link:

<https://join.photocircleapp.com/XRQF8D49KS?src=qr>



Thank you for helping preserve and celebrate the proud history of the UAW Bus, Engine, and Truck Council!



DELEGATE REPORT FORM
UAW INTERNATIONAL BUS, ENGINE, AND TRUCK COUNCIL CONFERENCE

Hyatt Regency Clearwater Beach
301 S Gulfview Boulevard
Clearwater, FL 33767

Monday, October 12, 2026 – Thursday, October 15, 2026

LOCAL: _____ **REGION** _____

ADDRESS: _____

DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

ACTIVE: _____ **LAID OFF:** _____ **SKILLED TRADES:** _____

COLA: **YES** **NO** **SHIFT PREMIUM:** **2ND** _____ **3RD** _____

Tiered wages: **YES** **NO** **Attendance Policy:** **YES** **NO**

BENEFITS

PENSION: _____ **401K:** **YES** **NO** If yes, is it Company matched? **YES** **NO** **% matched** _____

30 and OUT: **YES** **NO** **LIFE INSURANCE:** _____ **NUMBER OF RETIREES:** _____

COMPANY FACILITY

NAME: _____ **LOCATION:** _____

How many shifts? _____ **Amount of overtime working:** _____ **HIRING:** **YES** **NO**

TYPE OF WORK: _____

IF PRODUCTION, WHAT: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION _____

****PLEASE EMAIL A COMPLETED COPY OF THIS FORM TO CARMARA BRANDON @ cbrandon@uaw.net ****

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