We Filed for an Election! What's Next and Why?

Now that we filed for a union election, what comes next and why?

- The National Mediation Board (NMB), a federal agency, will docket our case and assign an NMB representative to handle our application to conduct a union election. Docketing the case usually happens in about one week.
- The NMB will then instruct JetBlue management to send to the NMB the list of eligible voters by a certain date. JetBlue management can submit the eligibility list before the date specified by the NMB.
 - This is important because a-cards can be collected up until the eligibility list is submitted by JetBlue management.
- The NMB will then compare the a-cards to the eligibility list to determine if at least 50 percent of all JetBlue GO workers systemwide requested that a representation vote be conducted.
- We expect JetBlue management to inflate the eligibility list with workers who are ineligible to try and deny our right to vote.
- This union-busting tactic is often used by airlines and their highly paid anti-union lawyers to deny workers the right to vote in a union election.
- IAM attorneys are fully prepared to object to any ineligible worker placed on the eligibility list.
- JetBlue management's inflating of the eligibility list is designed also to try and slow the process down. This gives JetBlue management time to conduct an anti-union campaign to deny us our federal right to join a union, free from company influence, coercion and interference.
- When the NMB determines that 50 percent of GO workers requested a union representation election be conducted, the federal agency will schedule the "voting period."
- At this point, we do not know when the NMB will schedule the voting period.
- NMB elections are currently conducted by mail ballot, so it is very important that we have our current addresses on file with JetBlue.
 - The NMB will use the addresses submitted by JetBlue management to mail the ballots to GO workers.
- <u>It is important to know that JetBlue management is prohibited under federal law from ever knowing who has signed a card, or how a worker votes in a union election.</u>

