

*Local 1181-1061*  
*Amalgamated Transit Union A.F.L.-C.I.O.*

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**DATE:** March 26, 2019  
**TO:** All Members – Active and Retired  
**FROM:** Michael Cordiello, President-Business Agent  
Jean Claude Calixte, Financial Secretary-Treasurer  
**SUBJECT:** Notice of Nomination and Election of Officers

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Local 1181-1061, Amalgamated Transit Union, AFL-CIO (“Local 1181”) will conduct its next election of officers in June 2019.

The 2019 election will be conducted in conformity with the By-Laws of Local 1181 and the Constitution and General Laws of the Amalgamated Transit Union (“ATU Constitution”) and federal law.

The American Arbitration Association (“AAA”) shall assist in the administration of the 2019 election.

**NOMINATIONS:**

Nominations are for a three year term, beginning July 1, 2019, and ending on June 30, 2022, for the offices of President-Business Agent & First Delegate to the International Convention, Financial Secretary-Treasurer & Second Delegate to the International Convention, Vice President & Third Delegate to the International Convention, Recording Secretary & Fourth Delegate to the International Convention, First Executive Board Member and Fifth Delegate to the International Convention, Second Executive Board Member and Sixth Delegate to the International Convention, Third Executive Board Member and Seventh Delegate to the International Convention, Fourth Executive Board Member and Eighth Delegate to the International Convention, Fifth Executive Board Member and Ninth Delegate to the International Convention, Sixth Executive Board Member and Tenth Delegate to the International Convention, Seventh Executive Board Member and Eleventh Delegate to the International Convention, Eighth Executive Board Member and Twelfth Delegate to the International Convention, and Ninth Executive Board Member and Thirteenth Delegate to the International Convention.

**DATE:** Tuesday, May 14, 2019  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m. EST  
**PLACE:** Elizabeth Blackwell Middle School 210Q  
93-11 101st Avenue  
Ozone Park, New York 11416

Nominations for all offices will be accepted from the floor at the May 14, 2019 membership meeting. The following procedure will be used for placing the members’ names in nomination:

1. Any member wishing to make nominations must be recognized by the Chair of the meeting and must identify himself/herself by name before placing a member's name in nomination. The member making a nomination must be prepared to accurately identify the nominee, including the accurate spelling of his/her name.

2. Any active member in good standing may place the name of an eligible member in good standing in nomination, including himself/herself, for any office to be filled. Any retiree member in good standing may place the name of an eligible member in good standing in nomination. Retirees cannot be nominated for or hold office. If seconds are made, the Chair will only accept one (1) second for each nomination.

3. Any member wishing to second a nomination must be recognized by the Chair and must identify himself/herself by name before making a second. The seconder must be a member in good standing. A member may nominate up to one candidate for each vacant position.

4. Once the Chair has declared nominations for each position to be closed, no further nominations for that vacancy will be accepted. A member does not have to be present to be nominated. If a potential candidate cannot attend the nomination meeting for some unforeseen circumstance, he or she must contact Financial Secretary-Treasurer Jean Claude Calixte's office at (718) 845-5600 or [ATU1181election@local1181atu.com](mailto:ATU1181election@local1181atu.com) by 4:00 p.m. the following day (Wednesday, May 15, 2019).

5. Nominees in attendance at the nomination meeting must accept or decline nomination at the nomination meeting. Nominees may accept nomination for only one office. At the nomination meeting, Financial Secretary-Treasurer Calixte will provide the nominees with written acceptance forms for their nomination. All nominees must accept nomination in writing by completing and returning the acceptance form. Nominees should speak with the Financial Secretary-Treasurer's office to confirm that the Union has received his/her acceptance form. Nominees that do not return the acceptance form by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 17, 2019 will not be on the ballot.

6. If a nominee is not in attendance at the nomination meeting, the nominee must contact Financial Secretary-Treasurer Calixte's office at (718) 845-5600 or [ATU1181election@local1181atu.com](mailto:ATU1181election@local1181atu.com) by 4:00 p.m. the following day (Wednesday, May 15, 2019). The nominee must obtain a written acceptance form and submit it to Financial Secretary-Treasurer Calixte by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 17, 2019.

7. At the nomination meeting, nominees in attendance will be notified of the date, time, and location of a candidates meeting to review all election and campaign rules. If a nominee is not in attendance at the nomination meeting, the nominee must contact Financial Secretary-Treasurer Calixte's office at (718) 845-5600 or [ATU1181election@local1181atu.com](mailto:ATU1181election@local1181atu.com) by 4:00 p.m. the following day (Wednesday, May 15, 2019) for the date, time, and location of the candidates meeting.

8. All nominees will be contacted following the nomination meeting and notified of eligibility. Eligibility will be determined by the ATU Constitution and the Local 1181 By-Laws. Any nominees determined to be ineligible will be notified by Financial Secretary-Treasurer Calixte's office on or before Friday, May 17, 2019, in writing, of the specific reason(s) for their disqualification.

9. At the candidates meeting, all eligible candidates will confirm the preferred listing of his/her name and whether they elect to be included on a "Slate of Candidates." A drawing will be held to determine positioning on the ballot.

In accordance with the ATU Constitution, Section 21.6, to be eligible to nominate candidates, a member must be in good standing at the time of the nomination meeting.

Good standing means that dues must be current (paid through March 31, 2019) by the time of the nomination meeting on May 14, 2019. Members in arrears for dues for two months or more are not in good standing. Members who are not in good standing for a period of twelve (12) months or less may restore their good standing by paying their arrearage and any relevant reinstatement fee no later than May 14, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Section 21.6 of the ATU Constitution, an individual is considered to be in good standing once he or she has completed a membership application and paid either a portion of the accompanying dues and the initiation fees or otherwise entered into a binding authorization for the payroll deduction of such.

To be eligible to run for office, a member must comply with the ATU Constitution and the Local 1181 By-Laws and must have been a member of Local 1181 in continuous good standing for the two years preceding the nomination meeting (June 2017 through May 2019, paid dues through March 31, 2019) as set forth in Sections 21.6 and 21.11 of the ATU Constitution. Members who seek to run for office and who are not in good standing for a period of twelve (12) months or less may restore their good standing by paying their arrearage and any relevant reinstatement fee no later than May 14, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

It is the responsibility of each member to verify that he/she is in good standing. Membership status can be verified by contacting Local 1181 Financial Secretary-Treasurer Calixte at the Local 1181 office. Any questions concerning eligibility to run for office should also be directed to the Financial Secretary-Treasurer's office.

As set forth in Section 14.3 of the ATU Constitution and the Local 1181 By-Laws, members who have voluntarily left the service in which the membership of Local 1181 is engaged, or who have retired on pension or who have been discharged for cause found by Local 1181 to be proper, are not eligible to run for any office in the local.

**ELECTION:**

**BALLOTS MAILED TO MEMBERS:**

Friday, May 24, 2019

**VOTED BALLOTS DUE TO BE RECEIVED BY AAA:**

Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. EST

**TALLY DATE:**

Thursday, June 20, 2019 following receipt of ballots

**TALLY LOCATION:**

American Arbitration Association  
120 Broadway, Concourse Level  
New York, NY 10271

In compliance with the ATU Constitution and Local 1181's By-Laws, the election will be conducted by mail ballot. If you do not receive your ballot by June 3, 2019 or lose your ballot or for other reasons require another ballot, please contact the AAA Duplicate Hotline 1-800-529-5218 Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This number is to be utilized only for duplicate ballot requests. Members may also make requests by e-mailing requests to Sacha Ulerio at [ulerios@adr.org](mailto:ulerios@adr.org).

This is a secret mail ballot election. As such, ballots are to be voted by members and placed in the mail after voting. Members should not take their ballots to worksites to be hand-delivered by others on their behalf. If this occurs, the ballot will not be counted.

The final pick up of ballots from the post office will take place at 9:00 a.m. EST on Thursday, June 20, 2019. Once voter eligibility is verified, the tally will begin following the Thursday, June 20, 2019 deadline for the receipt of ballots and continue until all ballots have been counted from all eligible voters.

Ballots which are not received at the post office by AAA by 9:00 a.m. EST on Thursday, June 20, 2019 shall not be counted.

Votes for “write-in” candidates are not permitted. If more than one ballot is received from any member, only the last ballot received from that member will be counted.

Voter Eligibility. A ballot will be mailed to each member who is in good standing as of May 2019 (paid dues through March 31, 2019). In order to have his/her ballot counted, a member must be in good standing at the time of the tally of ballots on Thursday, June 20, 2019 (paid dues through April 30, 2019).

Payment of dues by the 15th of each month satisfies the definition of timeliness for good standing purposes. Members in arrears for dues for two months are not in good standing. Members who are not in good standing for a period of twelve (12) months or less may restore their good standing by paying their arrearage and any relevant reinstatement fee no later than Friday, May 24, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. New members who have completed a membership application and signed up for dues check-off are considered to be in good standing.

Retired members who maintain their good standing in accordance with Section 21.13 of the ATU Constitution will be allowed to vote for all offices.

Additional rules or clarifications may be made after the publication of this announcement, as necessary.