

## Buzz Roddy's Candidate Statement

Do you feel a remove - if not cold indifference - from your union? The current regime, while spouting loudly about transparency and member inclusion, spent considerable resources to institute the National Convention (which was a colossal failure) When it was done away with, no provision was made to reinstate member resolutions at our membership meetings. This was after all members (except Councillors) were kicked off of their committees only to be repopulated with hand-picked members - a whopping great loss of institutional memory and brain-drain. Those that tried to continue serving were relegated to feckless, feel-good "action teams." (Or you can ask a question on Facebook.) Feel listened to? Neither do I. WE ARE THE UNION. Me? I know when I'm being talked down to. A working actor in the theatre my entire adult life. Member since 1984. Served on Equity's Council. Contract negotiations. Oft-serving Deputy. Decades of committee service (until I was kicked off) Former delegate to AFL-CIO. Elected at SAG-AFTRA, too. I'll help negotiate and enforce strong contracts and I will always report back to you. It's a labor union, dammit.