Division Has No Place in This Union!



Our National Division Officers are luring our fellow rank and file members to KC and other locations to attend so called "EDUCATIONALS." But, to be honest, these meetings are coaching sessions to get our members to spread falsehoods, lies, and misleading statements within our Union. Instead of posting their division propaganda that they are "educating" our members to spread in the field; we just posted our replies to their <u>Single Carrier Federations talking points</u>:

We need to unite to fight!

A strength of our current structure is our capability to quickly address situations specific to certain regions, as our Systems and Federations can maintain a focus on their members in their territory. Our Union helped create additional, high-paying Welding positions on BNSF's Chicago and Powder River Divisions, meeting a need specific to those Divisions and reducing contracting work on those properties. Such flexibility and capability in working to create customized solutions for specific, regional issues can very well be lost when the problems of one area or region are swallowed up in large "SuperFeds."

Asking Members to give examples of the division!

It is shameful and sickening that our Leaders are using fellow railroaders to spread hate and division. They rely on subtle tricks to trigger your emotions and to create discord within our Union. To preach and teach division for personal desires is not what we need from our National Division Leaders!

National Division has been actively recruiting and soliciting support for their propaganda campaign from members of the former CAT program. This program, designed to inform, empower, and unite our Brotherhood to help us fight for better contracts, is instead being leveraged by National Division (after they "ended" the program) to spread division and discord within our ranks. Where we could use our CAT team to bring the fight to the railroads, President Simpson and his supporters are using them against us!

The current structure is overly expensive and ineffective to dues paying members.

The folks who tell you this are relying on misinformation and your gullibility! Your dues only pay for one General Chairperson, who works for your System and interprets the agreements that fall under their authority. President Simpson cannot give any examples of a Federation that is poorly ran or is in financial turmoil. However, we can clearly point out where National Division is paying for extra appointees or committing to other wasteful spending. There is also **NO** evidence that making this massive change will reduce our dues. To be honest, this expensive restructuring will more than likely increase your dues to offset such a major overhaul of our Union.

Federation Officers lack real expertise.

Our union is getting younger along with your officers but to say they lack expertise is just bullshit! Your elected officers took on the task of being fulltime officers and take pride in representing you. For fellow officers to target others for personal gain is just divisive and not being a good union brother. They study the agreements and fight the carriers daily on your behalf.

It's time for BMWED members to put a stop to this division from the top-

VOTE "NO!" to President Simpson's consolidation Scheme.

Please be respectful of our fellow railroaders, being paid by National Division with our union money to spread this message of hate and discontent. They are not the problem, and we hope they have not been promised positions to push President Simpson's agenda!