

January 2023 Union Meeting Summary

- The administration is evaluating replacing the CPAT with another fitness assessment for a variety of reasons. Local 81 is in contact with the administration on possible alternatives.
- Local 81 stickers and apparel are available. To order, contact Local 81 Vice President John Stevens.
- Local 81 anticipates multiple upcoming Local 81 committee openings. Members are encouraged to put in for these positions.
- Local 81 has completed several salary surveys and continues to monitor local and regional compensation trends. Members are encouraged to continue sending recent local and regional pay scales to Local 81 Secretary Harrison Long.
- Local 81 is currently conducting a GIS study through the IAFF.
- The Local 81 Constitution and Bylaws have been approved by the IAFF with some recommended minor language changes. These changes will be forthcoming, posted, and then put to the membership for a ratification vote.
- The legislative session is in currently happening, and the PFFU is tracking multiple legislative items.
- The Huddle occurs every Wednesday from 10 AM-12 PM in Room 210 of the main Capitol bldg. Any IAFF member can attend in person or virtually. This is a great opportunity to become aware of our Union's efforts on the state level, as well as learn what bills could affect our Firefighters.
- Reports given by EMS and Engineer Committee.
- Legislative report given.

Legislative Update

- The Fire Caucus Luncheon will be held on February 6 at the Capitol Bldg. This is a great opportunity to meet your legislators, and often presents an opportunity to educate our elected representatives about Firefighter issues. Contact any Executive Board member if you would like to attend.
- The PFFU is vehemently opposed to HB 241, titled "Labor Union Amendments." This bill is sponsored by Rep. Jordan Teuscher and would add bureaucratic steps in the collection of union dues, which has a trickle effect that would limit Local 81's and the PFFU's ability to represent our members.
 - **The PFFU is asking our members to contact their elected representatives (not Senators) through text message or email, and tell them that as a constituent, you're opposed to HB 241.** You can find out who your elected representative is here: <https://le.utah.gov/GIS/findDistrict.jsp>
- The PFFU continues to monitor multiple bills around retirement, mental health, and cancer presumption. Bills surrounding these issues are in various stages of the legislative process. Updates will be forthcoming as necessary.
- Local 81 will have a representative at the PFFU Huddle every week through the legislative session. Contact the E-Board for questions regarding specific bills or other issues.