Bargaining Bulletin Maslow Media Group,

We had 2 days of bargaining on Tuesday, November 3rd and Wednesday, November 4th at the offices of Maslow’s attorney – Marc Sloane of Miles & Stockridge in DC.

The union was represented by Tyrone Riggs of the unit, Local President Richard McDermott, Keith Bolek outside legal counsel and spokesperson and NABET-CWA Staff Representative Carrie Biggs-Adams. Maslow was represented by Marc Sloane, a paralegal from his firm Nicole Whitecar, and Mary Jane Boyle from Maslow.

The union presented a full contract as bargaining began – copies of that document will be distributed by Tyrone to the 22 members of the Maslow unit. The Maslow response was a few proposals – and the position that they would not (could not?) raise wages, provide paid time-off, pay 401(k) contributions, or pay holiday pay.

Marc Sloan said that the rates are set by the contract (we have asked for a copy to confirm the provisions) between the House and Maslow:

$32.00 per hour 8-1-13
$32.64 per hour 8-1-14 to 7-31-16 and
$33.29 per hour 8-1-16 to 7-31-18

We know that the wages, and the ability to support yourselves and your families are important reasons why you voted for union representation. We also know that the changes we need to see come from Maslow are not only going to come from the bargaining table. We are working with CWA to get the support necessary for a campaign to win back good working conditions and wages for you.

Any member of the unit may join us at bargaining – and we hope that you will. Our bargaining dates ahead are: December 4th and December 14th; January 7th & 8th. The bargaining sessions (so far) are scheduled at the Miles & Stockbridge offices at 1500 K Street NW 8th floor. We begin at 9am, wrap between 4 and 5pm.

If you have questions – contact Tyrone, or Rich McDermott.