ATU Local 1505 5-minute Friday Summary

August 28, 2026

ATU Local 1505 is hosting a Mayoral Candidate Debate on September 14, 2026. More details about the event will be shared soon. We are encouraging members to attend and help ensure a strong ATU turnout. Members who would like to attend can email Raina at communication@atu1505.ca.

A meeting has also been arranged with Malaya Marcelino in September to discuss immigration issues affecting our members. We have recently received some good news about members receiving their nominations, but we will continue to raise awareness and advocate for members who are still dealing with immigration and work permit concerns.

ATU Local 1505 is working with ATU International on strategic planning for the upcoming civic election and future bargaining. This work will help us prepare for the issues that are important to our members and strengthen our approach going forward.

There have been some questions about on-request buses. Drivers are required to book a trip just like riders. These buses operate within a specific service zone, and drivers should not be pressured to leave that area. Asking a driver to operate outside the assigned zone could require them to break policy.

From August 15 to 28, there were nine security incidents involving Winnipeg Transit employees. These included two physical assaults, one physical assault involving a weapon, one attempted assault, two verbal threats and three verbal threats involving a weapon. So far in 2026, there have been 163 reported security incidents.

The negotiations survey will remain open until September 6, 2026. Members are encouraged to complete the survey and provide their feedback as we prepare for upcoming bargaining.

The Labour Day Picnic will take place on September 7, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. All members are welcome to attend. There will be games, face painting, bouncy castles and a dunk tank. Derek will be volunteering for the dunk tank.

Members are also reminded to submit their nominations for the A-OK Awards. Nominations can be sent to support@atu1505.ca.

The 50/50 transit funding campaign is continuing its fundraising efforts with a 50/50 draw. Members can purchase tickets through the Climate Action Team Manitoba website, with proceeds supporting the campaign to restore 50/50 transit funding. https://climateactionmb.ca/