

Labor Advisory Board

New Members

“Principals are not management – they simply implement what management wants them to do, and therefore they need to have their rights protected. They need to have a strong contract that clearly states what their working conditions are, what management expects from them, and what they expect from management. They need retirement rights - they need a retirement. You can go on and on, but really there is no difference between principals and other workers.”

Known for fighting tirelessly for the rights and welfare of her members, Jill Levy is the International President of the American Federation of School Administrators (AFSA). Prior to this appointment in July 2006, she served as AFSA's Executive Vice President, and she has been a member of the union's General Executive Board since 1994.

Her strong leadership and immense experience as an advocate for administrators, special education, and public education began with her career as Supervisor of Special Education in the New York City schools. She is a founding member of the Supervisory Support Program, and she was the voice behind the passage of several state laws supporting special education and the increase in support services. Levy brought important issues surrounding special education to national attention when she served on former President Bill Clinton's labor sub-committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities.

Levy empowers countless supervisors and administrators each year through her foundations, the Executive Leadership Institute (ELI) and the Leadership Institute for Education (LIFE). These are just two of the many highly-acclaimed professional development programs that she has founded which impart invaluable skills and knowledge to the leaders in our education system.

She also served as Coordinator of the Supervisory Support Program (SSP) and as a liaison to the Chancellor's Oversight, Professional Development, and Special Education committees. Levy has been a board member of the Neuroscience Institute of the New York Hospital Medical Center of Queens and served as president of the Association for Neurologically Impaired Brain Injured Children. Levy also served as a board member for the Council for Unity and for New Visions for Public Schools, and she is a director of the Page & Otto Marx Foundation.

Levy has received honors from the Doctorate Association of New York Educators, Administrative Women in Education, the Jewish Community Chest, twice from her own professional association, and from numerous legislators. It is in true solidarity that AIL/NILICO welcomes Jill Levy as a new member of our Labor Advisory Board.

Matthew Loeb was unanimously elected International President of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Moving Picture Technicians, Artists and Allied Crafts of the United States, Its Territories and Canada (IATSE) in July 2008. His dedication to IATSE spans almost 20 years. He has been a member of the United Scenic Artists Local 829 since 1989 and a member of Local 52 since 1996. He is a Charter Member of Local 491 which was established in 1994, the same year he became an International Representative. He was IATSE'S first Division Director of Motion Picture and Television Production, and he served as International Vice President for two terms. He served as Chairman of the East Coast Council for over 14 years.

Loeb created and implemented an organizing and bargaining strategy under the leadership of IATSE's former president, Emeritus Short. The result of Loeb's strategy was the obtainment of over one-thousand term agreements, the chartering of numerous new locals, and the addition of thousands of new members that were provided with health and retirement benefits for the first time.

Further union expertise is exhibited through Loeb's position as the Co-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the IATSE National Benefit Fund and in his role as a Director on the Board of the Motion Picture Industry Pension and Health Plans. He tirelessly supports industry organizations that benefit IATSE members and their families, and he supports furthering the education of members' children through his position as Chairman of the Richard F. Walsh/Alfred W. DiTolla/Harold P. Spivak Foundation which sponsors academic scholarships for the children of IATSE members. Loeb is the former Treasurer and current Chairman of IATSE Political Action Committee and is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Actor's Fund.

AIL/NILICO proudly welcomes Matthew Loeb as a new member of the Labor Advisory Board. We are certain to experience tremendous benefits from your leadership and lifelong commitment to strengthening labor unions and their families.



Jill Levy

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AFSA



Matthew Loeb

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