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## **AFGE TSA Delegates Elect New Council President, Officers**

AFGE TSA delegates to Council 100 on Aug. 12 voted to elect a new president and council members. The officers elected are as follows:

President -- Hydrick Thomas (JFK)

Executive Vice President -- Alan Jackimowizc (DTW)

Secretary-Treasurer -- **Dean Johnson** (MSP)

Regional Vice President 1 -- Stacy Bodtman (EWR)

RVP 2 -- Mac Johnson (RDU)

RVP 3 -- Ricky McCoy (ORD)

RVP 4 -- David Curtis (DFW)

RVP 5 -- George Stebbins (PDX)

RVP 6 -- Al Baang (HNL)

The new council president said the council's immediate goal is to organize into AFGE the maximum TSOs or at least 50% of the 45,000 officers. The council will communicate regularly with all TSA Local leaders and their members.

Thomas, who is the president of Local 2222 in New York and New Jersey, said he would like to see a change in the image of the TSOs so they will be recognized as a professional workforce. The council wants the flying public to be reminded why this agency was created and every day that officers put their uniform on, it could be their last day alive.

"I would like for this TSA council to become totally different from any other council in the federal government," said the council president, who has been working for TSA since 2002 and became Local 2222 president in 2008.



Newly elected members of AFGE's TSA Council 100 (Mac Johnson and George Stebbins are not pictured).

The council would like to thank AFGE for fighting for the TSOs for the past 10 years. The bargaining team gives thanks to former AFGE President John Gage for putting together a team to secure a contract between TSA and AFGE. To all TSOs this contract is historic and is the most important thing that has happened for all TSA employees since the creation of this agency. The next step is going to be the ratification of the contract.

AFGE and TSA Council 100 will continue this long fight in Congress to have TSA put into the GS system, which covers most federal employees.

