



ILLINOIS EDUCATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

November 13, 2024

Mark Owens, Asst. Director Labor & Employee Relations (mowen1@uis.edu)
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One University Plaza, HRB 30
Springfield, IL 62703
217/206-7096

Re: *Board of Trustees University of Illinois (Springfield), Case No. 2024-RC-0007-C*

Dear Director Owens:

The majority interest petition in this matter has been amended. Enclosed is an amended Notice to Employees. ***Pursuant to Section 1110.90 of the Board's Rules, this Notice must be posted on bulletin boards and/or other places where information to employees is usually posted no later than the day after it is received by the Employer.*** If bargaining unit employees are currently working remotely or on summer break, arrangements must be made to provide this Notice by alternate means. A Certification of Posting is enclosed which should be filled out and returned to the Board Agent immediately upon posting.

Please be advised that the list of employees sought by the petition, signature samples for those employees and any response or objection to the petition is now due by the close of business **December 4, 2024**. Please also be aware that under Section 1110.105(c) of the Rules, if the employer does not provide the list of employees or the signature examples within the allotted time, the Board shall administratively determine the adequacy of the showing of interest based upon the evidence submitted the employee organization, and under Section 1110.105(d) of the Rules, any party that fails to file a timely response without good cause shall be deemed to have waived its right to a hearing. Please note that submissions should be filed electronically to the Board's general mailbox at ELRB.mail@illinois.gov. A copy should be sent simultaneously to the Board Agent at the email address above and the Petitioner via email as well. Also attached is a Notice of Hearing. If it is determined that a hearing is necessary to resolve any issues arising from this petition, it will be held **December 12, 2024**.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Any questions or concerns may be addressed directly with the Board Agent via email.

Sincerely,

Victor E. Blackwell
Executive Director

cc: Jay Kimmey (jaykimmey@cavanagh-ohara.com)
Wendy Smith (wjs@uillinois.edu)

Internet Address: <http://www.state.il.us/agency/ielrb>

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS EDUCATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

AMENDED Majority Interest PETITION

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE	
CASE NO.	2025-RC-0007-C
DATE FILED	11/12/2024

INSTRUCTIONS — Submit an original and one copy of this Petition to the IELRB Office in Springfield or Chicago. Petition must be typed or printed in ink.

If more space is required for any one item, attach additional sheets, numbering item accordingly.

The Petitioner alleges that the following circumstances exist and requests that the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board proceed under its proper authority pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act.

1. Purpose of this Petition

(Check one)

- RC-CERTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATIVE — A substantial number of employees wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by Petitioner and Petitioner desires to be certified as representative of the employees.
- RS- CERTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATIVE — SELF-DETERMINATION — A group of employees wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by Petitioner in a unit already represented by Petitioner.
- RM-REPRESENTATION (EMPLOYER PETITION) — One or more individuals or labor organizations have presented a claim to Petitioner to be recognized as the representative of employees of Petitioner, or the employer doubts the majority status of an existing employee organization.
- RD- DECERTIFICATION — A substantial number of employees assert that the certified or currently recognized bargaining representative is no longer their representative.
- UC-UNIT CLARIFICATION — A labor organization is currently recognized by employer, but petitioner seeks clarification of placement of certain employees:
(Check one) In unit not previously certified
 In unit previously certified in Case No. _____
- AC- AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATION — Petitioner seeks amendment of certification issued in Case No. _____
Attach statement describing the specific amendment sought.

2. NAME OF EMPLOYER University of Illinois Springfield	EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE TO CONTACT Jami M. Painter	PHONE NO. 217-224-8247
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3. ADDRESS(ES) OF ESTABLISHMENT(S) INVOLVED (Street and Number, City, State, and ZIP Code) One University Plaza, HRB 30, Springfield, IL 62703-5407	3a. County Sangamon
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4. Unit Involved (In UC petition, describe PRESENT bargaining unit and attach description of proposed clarification.) (In RS self-determination petition, describe present bargaining unit and attach description of the group sought to be added.) Included All Journeyman and Apprentice Plumbers, Pipefitters, HVACR Techs and Sprinklerfitters, including the Foreman Excluded All other employees <i>Rec'd 11/12/2024 IELRB by SB</i> (If you have checked box RC in 1 above, check and complete EITHER item 6a or 6b, whichever is applicable)	5a. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES IN UNIT (or, where applicable, group to be added by self-determination election.) PRESENT <u>2</u> PROPOSED (BY UC/AC) 5b. IS THIS PETITION SUPPORTED BY 30% OR MORE OF THE EMPLOYEES IN THE UNIT? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>Not applicable in RM, UC, and AC</i>
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6a. Request for recognition as Bargaining Representative was made on and Employer declined recognition on or about (Month, day, year) (if no reply received, so state)

6b. Petitioner is currently recognized as Bargaining Representative and desires certification under the act.

7. Recognized or Certified Bargaining Agent (if there is none, so state)
None

NAME	AFFILIATION
ADDRESS	DATE OF RECOGNITION OR CERTIFICATION

8. DATE OF EXPIRATION OF CURRENT CONTRACT, IF ANY (Show month, day, and year)

9a. IS THERE NOW A STRIKE OR PICKETING AT THE EMPLOYER'S ESTABLISHMENT(S) INVOLVED? Y E S N O	9b. IF SO, APPROXIMATELY HOW MANY EMPLOYEES ARE PARTICIPATING?
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9c. THE EMPLOYER HAS BEEN PICKETED BY OR ON BEHALF OF A LABOR ORGANIZATION, OF S I N C E (insert address) (insert name) (Month, day year)

10. ORGANIZATIONS OR INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN PETITIONER WHICH HAVE CLAIMED OR HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED AS REPRESENTATIVES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS KNOWN TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE INTEREST IN ANY EMPLOYEES IN THE UNIT DESCRIBED IN ITEM 4 ABOVE. (IF NONE, SO STATE)

NAME	AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	DATE OF CLAIM (Required only if Petition is filed by Employer)
None			

11. Election for Recognition History prior to January 1, 1984 to the extent known.

I declare that I have read the above petition and that the statements therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

United Association Local 137 2880 E Cook Street Springfield, IL 62703-2167 (Signature of representative or person filing petition)	(Petitioner and affiliation, if any)	Cavanagh & O'Hara, Jay Kimmey 101 W Vandalia Suite 245 Edwardsville, IL 62025 (Title, if any)
(217) 544-2724 (Street and Number, City, State, and ZIP Code)		618-692-5250 (Telephone number)

AMENDED NOTICE TO **EMPLOYEES**

ILLINOIS EDUCATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

CASE NO. 2025-RC-0007-C **MAJORITY INTEREST**

A PETITION has been filed with this agency by United Association Local 137 (Union) pursuant to Section 7 of the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act, 115 ILCS 5 (2002), as amended. Your employer, Board of Trustees University of Illinois (University) is posting this Notice so that the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board can inform you of your basic rights under the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act.

Under the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act, the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board is required to certify a petitioning labor organization as the exclusive bargaining representative for a group or unit of employees, upon the filing of a petition supported by evidence that a majority of those employees in the petitioned-for unit desire the petitioning labor organization to be their representative for purposes of collective bargaining. Therefore, any employee who signed a card or petition authorizing the petitioning labor organization to be his/her representative has already indicated his/her support for that labor organization. Support for the labor organization will be determined based upon this evidence and so long as the evidence of majority support is not found to have been obtained by the labor organization through the use of fraud or coercion, no further election or other inquiry will be held to determine support for the labor organization. Any party having clear and convincing evidence of such fraud or coercion must bring it to the Board's attention within 21 days of the service of the petition on the employer.

In this case, the Union seeks to represent a bargaining unit which is described as:

Included: All journeyman and apprentice plumbers, pipefitters, HCACR techs and sprinklerfitters including Foreman.

Excluded: All supervisory, managerial, confidential and short-term employees as defined in the Act and all other employees.

The Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board is an agency of the State of Illinois and does not endorse any particular choice in connection with representation for purposes of collective bargaining.

This notice must not be altered, defaced or covered by any other material. Any questions concerning this notice or compliance with its provisions may be directed to the Board's office.

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**STATE OF ILLINOIS
EDUCATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**


Board of Trustees University of Illinois,)	
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Employer,)	
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and)	Case No. 2025-RC-0007-C
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United Association Local 137,)	
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Petitioner.)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

Petitioner has filed a majority interest petition for representation with the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board (“Board”) in the above-captioned matter. If a hearing is necessary, it will be held as follows:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a hearing will be conducted on the 12th day of December 2024 at 9:30 a.m. and consecutive business thereafter until completed before a duly appointed Administrative Law Judge of the Board, at 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite #N400, Chicago, Illinois, at which time and place all parties will have the right to appear and give oral and/or written testimony.

Dated: November 13, 2024
Issued: Chicago, Illinois


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