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AFL-CIO Convention Briefing
September 18, 1997
Agenda

I. Review Schedule

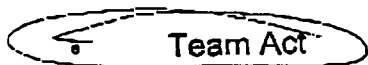
- AFL-CIO (See Attached)
- Vice President
- Secretary of Labor
- President

II. Message

- VP's remarks
- Secretary of Labor's
- President's
- Others

III. Announcements

- Procurement



- Team Act
- FLSA
- Privatization
- Other

IV. Fast Track

- AFL-CIO
- Administration
- Congress

V. Other issues

- Firefighters
- Climate control

AFL-CIO -- 1997 Pre-Convention Conferences

Friday, September 19

Workers Investing in America: A Conference for Union Pension Trustees

9:00 AM to Noon

Hilton Hotel

A national conference of union leaders who serve as pension fund trustees will discuss new pro-worker investment initiatives and strategies. The conference — conducted by the federation's Office of Investment — will focus on the AFL-CIO's Capital Stewardship Program. The Capital Stewardship program seeks to promote pension investment strategies that foster retirement security and long-term economic growth and development.

Building a Political Voice for American Workers: A Conference for Political Activists

1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Doubletree Hotel

The AFL-CIO's Political Department presents a working session for leaders and executive staff from unions as well as community labor bodies. The conference will focus on labor's strategies for increasing workers' political voices and approaches in the fight for the right to organize.

Saturday, September 20

Building a Movement of American Workers: A National Conference on Organizing

1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Doubletree Hotel

This conference will focus on the ways labor is successfully changing to organize. Unions and community labor bodies will share strategies for organizing as the cornerstone of labor's comeback effort. Participants will hear from leaders and strategists as well as important allies — including Vice President Al Gore.

Sunday, September 21

Building a Voice for Workers in Our Communities: A Conference for State and Local Central Bodies

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Hilton Hotel

Participants will discuss the growing partnership between international unions, state federations, central labor councils and local unions in community-based programs. The conference will focus on the role of the state and local labor communities in educating, motivating and mobilizing union members, defending the right of workers to join unions, organizing new members as well as creating a powerful political and legislative voice for labor. The conference will also focus on ways to leverage labor's influence with political and community allies to increase union membership.

AFL-CIO Convention Calendar (draft as of 8/1)

David L. Lawrence Convention Center / Pittsburgh, PA / September 1997

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
9/17	9/18	9/19	9/20	9/21
FAST Board Mtg.	8:00 A AFL-CIO Policy Resolutions Breakfast Meeting	8:00 A AFL-CIO Rules Committee Breakfast Meeting	8:30 A Registration Continues	8:30 A Registration Continues
Maritime Trades Board Meeting	Noon AFL-CIO Program Resolutions Full Committee Lunch Meeting	8:00 A AFL-CIO Credentials Committee Breakfast Meeting	9:00 A AFL-CIO Executive Council Meeting	9:00 A Service at St. Nicholas Croatian Church
	Noon AFL-CIO Constitution Committee Lunch Meeting	9:00 A AFL-CIO Program Resolutions Full Committee Meeting	1:00 P Building a Movement of American Workers: A National Conference on Organizing	10:00 A Building a Voice for Workers in our Communities: A Conference for State & Local Central Bodies
	1:00 P AFL-CIO Resolutions Subcommittees:	9:00 A Workers Investing In America: A Conference for Union Pension Trustees	ILCA Convention	1:30 P Pittsburgh Teach - In Sponsored by local labor community
	Organizing Politics Global Economy Community	11:00 A AFL-CIO Finance Committee Lunch Meeting		5:00 P Welcome to Steel Town Block Party
	4:00 P AFL-CIO Policy Resolutions Meeting	Noon Registration Opens		ILCA Convention
FAST Convention		1:00 P Building a Political Voice for American Workers: A Conference for Political Activists		
Maritime Trades Convention		4:00 P AFL-CIO Constitution Committee Meeting		
		Maritime Trades Convention		
		ILCA Exec. Council		

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
9/22 <i>Day 1: Building a Movement of American Workers</i>	9/23 <i>Day 2: Building a Political Voice for Workers</i>	9/24 <i>Day 3: Providing a New Voice for Workers In a Changing Economy</i>	9/25 <i>Day 4: Creating a New Voice for Workers In our Communities</i>
Opening Ceremonies	Representative Dick Gephardt	President Bill Clinton	Senator Ted Kennedy
Recognition of Union Organizing Victories	Report of Committee on Program Resolutions: Subcommittee on Political Action	Recognition of GE workers from around the globe	Kent Wong, APALA
Keynote Address: President Sweeney	Bob White, President, CLC*	Presentation of George Meany Human Rights Award to Muchtar Pakpahan	Salute to Union Cities
LUNCH RECESS	LUNCH RECESS	Report of the Committee on Program Resolutions: Subcommittee on Representing Workers in the Global Economy	Report of the Committee on Program Resolutions: Subcommittee on Workers in the Community
Senator Tom Daschle	Secretary of Labor Alexis Herman	Margaret Prosser, National Organizer, British Transport and General Workers' Union	Reverend Jesse Jackson
Report of the Committee on Program Resolutions: Subcommittee on Organizing	Report of Committee on Policy Resolutions	Report of Committee on the Constitution	Report of the Committee 2000
Presentation of the Murray-Green-Meany-Kirkland Community Services Award	Report of Committee on the Constitution	Report of Committee on the Constitution	Report of Committee on Policy Resolutions
Report of Committee on Policy Resolutions	Kweisi Mfume, President, NAACP*	Report of Committee on Policy Resolutions	Noon Adjournment
Report of Committee on the Constitution		LUNCH RECESS & lunch for International labor guests & council members	AFL-CIO Executive Council Meeting
Evening:		Report of Committee on Policy Resolutions	
Boat Ride Hosted by Steel Workers		Recognition of significant labor strikes	
		Nominations for Office	
		Evening: Labor Rock Concert	

VP and AFL-CIO

9/8

Ane Lewis
Karen Thernstrom
Mike Butler
Kathy Wallner

Issue briefs:

- general economic
- Project labor ag'ts
 - Kohnen into DOJ
 - Podesta needs to call this (Karen)
- Camp fire
- Team Act (Bingaman audit)
 - Podesta opposes -- need NRC process?
 - Hilkey
- FTrack
- Welfare reform / PSA
- electricity restructuring
 - want no action; mtg w/ Tombe (Kw) this week
- Privatization
- Aerospace offsets (Dobyns)
- Climate change (Peters + CBO)
- Education (budget overall)
- Davis - Bacon -- NO
- OSHA - MSHA
- Service Ks

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Da: August 29, 1997

To: Business, labor and political reporters

Fr: Denise Mitchell, Assistant to the President for Public Affairs

Re: AFL-CIO biennial convention

The AFL-CIO's biennial convention will be at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh from Monday, September 22 through Thursday, September 25. Pre-convention activities will begin Friday, September 19. The convention will be the first since the AFL-CIO's new leadership took office in 1995 in the only contested election in AFL-CIO history.

Reporters covering the convention should complete the attached reservation sheet by **Friday, September 5**. Some highlights:

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"Workers Investing in America," a national conference on pro-worker investment initiatives and strategies.

"Building a Political Voice for American Workers," a national conference on increasing workers' political voices.

Saturday, Sept. 20

"Building a Movement of American Workers," a national conference on organizing with remarks from labor leaders, strategists and Vice President Al Gore.

Sunday, Sept. 21

"Building a Voice for Workers in our Communities," a conference on the growing partnership of international unions, state federations, central labor councils and local unions.

"Welcome to Steel Town," a block party.

Monday, Sept. 22

Convention opens; recognition of union organizing victories; keynote address by AFL-CIO President John J. Sweeney.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Remarks from Rep. Dick Gephardt, Labor Secretary Alexis Herman, NAACP President Kweisi Mfume.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Remarks from President Bill Clinton; recognition of GE workers from around the globe; **evening labor rock concert**.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Remarks from Sen. Ted Kennedy, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, salute to Union Cities; convention adjourns; AFL-CIO Executive Council meets.

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