



International Association of Fire Fighters Magnificent 7<sup>th</sup> District  
**2023 NEW UNION MEMBERS' CONFERENCE**  
 May 16th ~ May 18th, Kennewick Red Lion ~ Tri-Cities, Washington



<b>SESSION TIME</b>	<b>TUESDAY MAY 16, 2023</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2023</b>	<b>THURSDAY May 18, 2023</b>
<b>AM 8:30–Noon</b>	<b>WELCOME &amp; INTRODUCTIONS</b> <b>History &amp; Structure of the IAFF</b> <i>Layne Bladow, L1488</i> <b>State Associations</b> <i>Dean Shelton, WSCFF Vice President</i> <i>Rob Shoplock, PFFI President</i> <i>George Richards, MSCOPFF President</i> <i>Dominic Lozano, AKPFFA President</i>	<b>Shop Talk</b> <b>What it Means to be Union/Union Spirit</b>  <i>A host of activists sure to please and enlighten</i>	<b>“I Learned My Leadership Skills From the UNION”</b> <i>Chief Dennis Doan, Gig Harbor</i> <i>AC Jim Walkowski</i> <b>More of Your History</b> <i>Greg Markley, WSCFF S/T</i> <b>Closing Remarks</b> <i>Ricky Walsh, IAFF 7<sup>th</sup> District VP</i>
<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>12:00–1:00</b>	<b>12:00-1:00</b>	
<b>PM-1 1:00–3:00</b>	<b>Being a Part of Something Bigger</b> <i>April Simms, Wash AFL-CIO</i>  <b>Getting Involved-Benefitting Others</b> <i>Speakers Panel</i>	<b>Diversity, Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> <b>What is That</b> <i>Erin Jones</i>  <b>Politics—WHY?</b> <i>AJ Johnson, WSCFF Legislative Liaison</i>	
<b>PM-2 3:30–5:30</b>	<b>Social Media:</b> <b>Useful Uses for Your Union</b> <i>Reece Williams, L3219</i> <b>Dialing You Into the 7<sup>th</sup> District</b> <i>Stenstrom/Lowery/Wilkins</i>	<b>Healthy In-Healthy Out</b> <i>Bob Dirham, Local 1296</i> <i>Beth Gallup, L1747</i>  <b>The Way We Got Here</b> <i>Old Guard-Orr, Johnston &amp; Riech</i>	<b><u>NOTES:</u></b>  **A hosted reception will be held on May 15 <sup>th</sup> at the hotel from 6 pm to 8 pm **Lunches are Provided Tues & Wed