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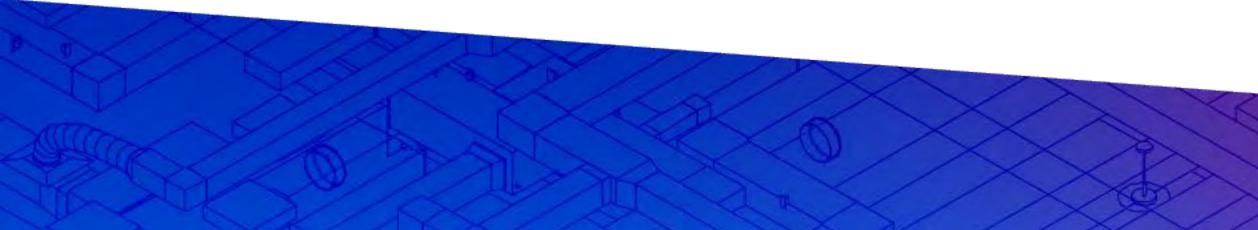


# WORKING TOGETHER

# STEVE LANGLEY BUSINESS MANAGER/FST LOCAL 85

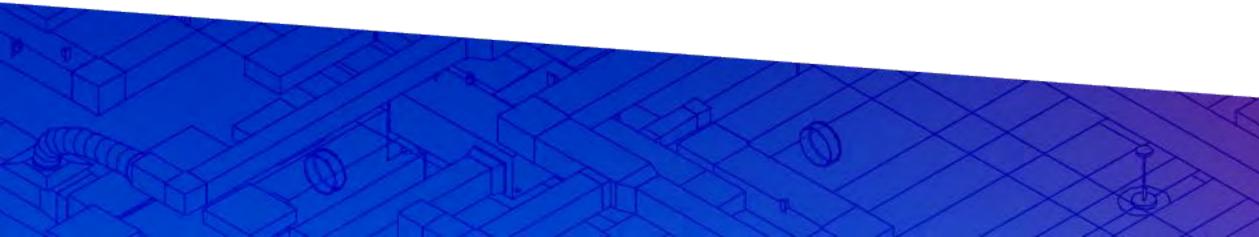
### **32 YEARS IN SHEET METAL** Lessons Learned

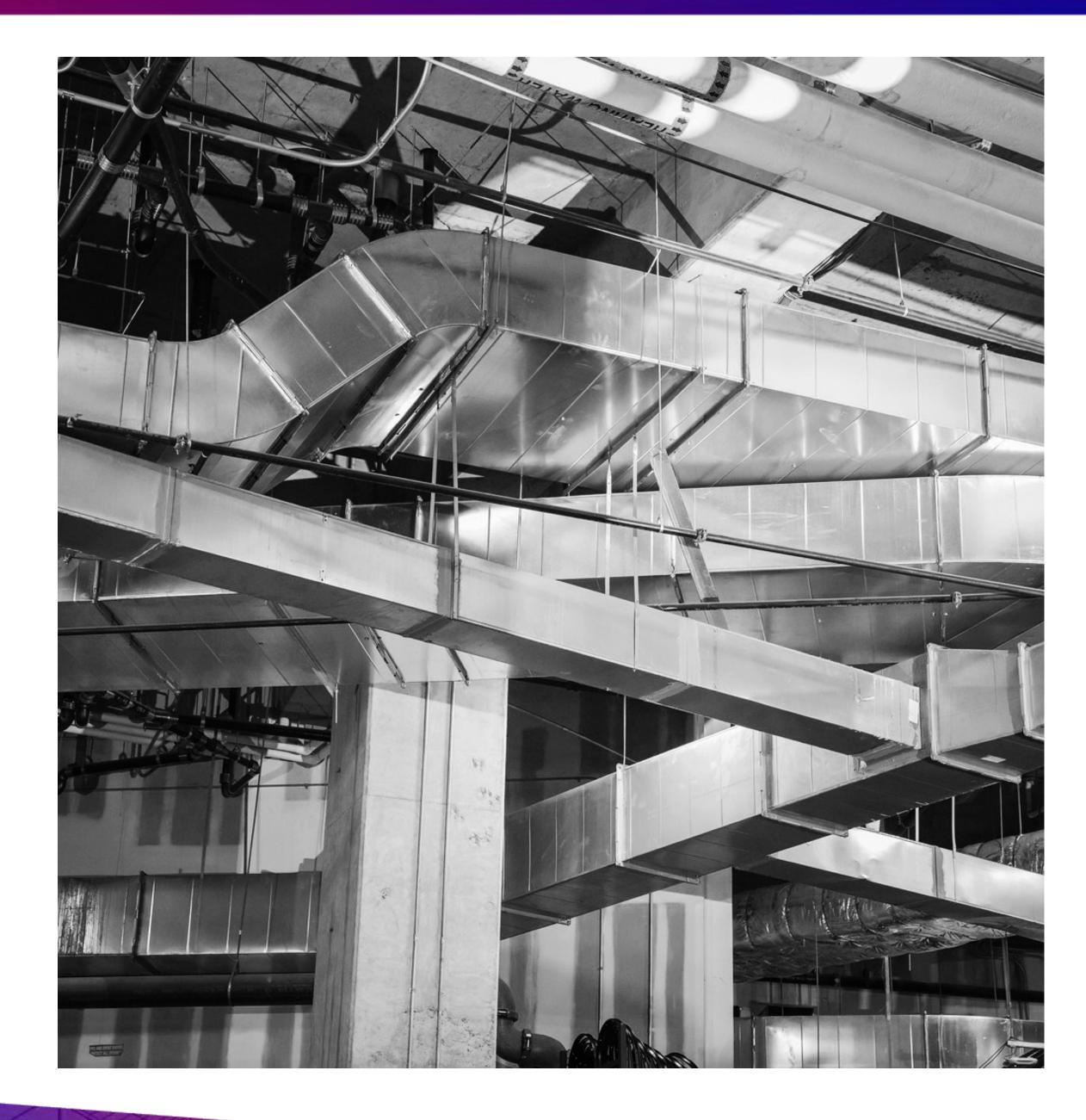
- As an Apprentice Learned many ways to do Sheet Metal.
- As a Journeyman Learned to run work from different Foremen.
- As a Foreman running work Learned to negotiate with other crafts and general contractors to get my job in.
- As an Officer of the local Learned how to run meetings and keep them orderly.
- As a Business Representative Learned to work with the Contractors and the Membership
- And Now I am the Business Manager / FST I am learning to work with the membership, contractors, international, and everyone else.



### WORKING WITH SMACNA Everything is Better with Teamwork

- Apprenticeship.
- The Standard Form of Union Agreement.
- Health Fund
- Pension.
- Partnership.





### MY FIRST TIME WORKING WITH SMACNA JATC

rate to a 60+/-% retention rate.

• I was appointed to the JATC in 2005. There I learned that the Union and Contractors had to work together to make our apprenticeship better. We worked together bringing in better qualified apprentices that had a great work ethic. Local 85's apprenticeship program went from having a 30+/-% retention



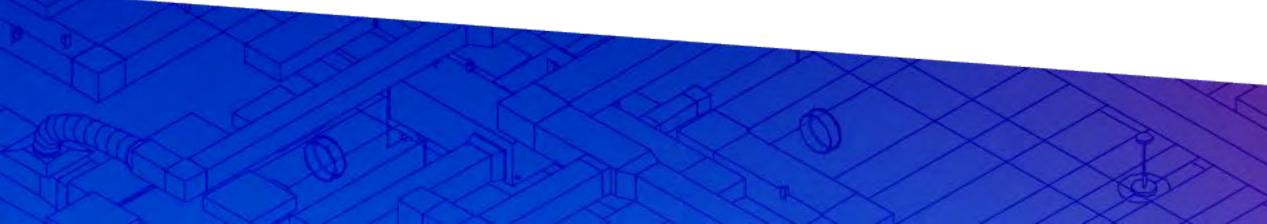
### SFUA Negotiations

- My first was 2012 ended in Arbitration.
- 2015 we had 21 meetings.
- 2019 almost arbitration again even though we were \$2.90+ ahead of closest craft.
- 2021 extended the 2019 SFUA until 2025 with no or not many language changes. We negotiated the wages and benefits.
- Don't give away the farm but also don't break the bank.



### HEALTH AND PENSION **During Negotiations**

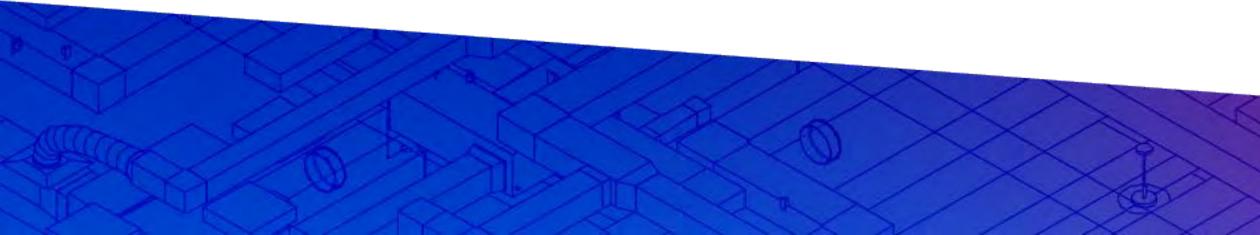
- We produced Language to increase Pension Benefits without adding funds.
- We added language to start a third leg with NSSP contributions.
- We maintained our Health Fund benefits.
- And a wage increase in the last 2 years.



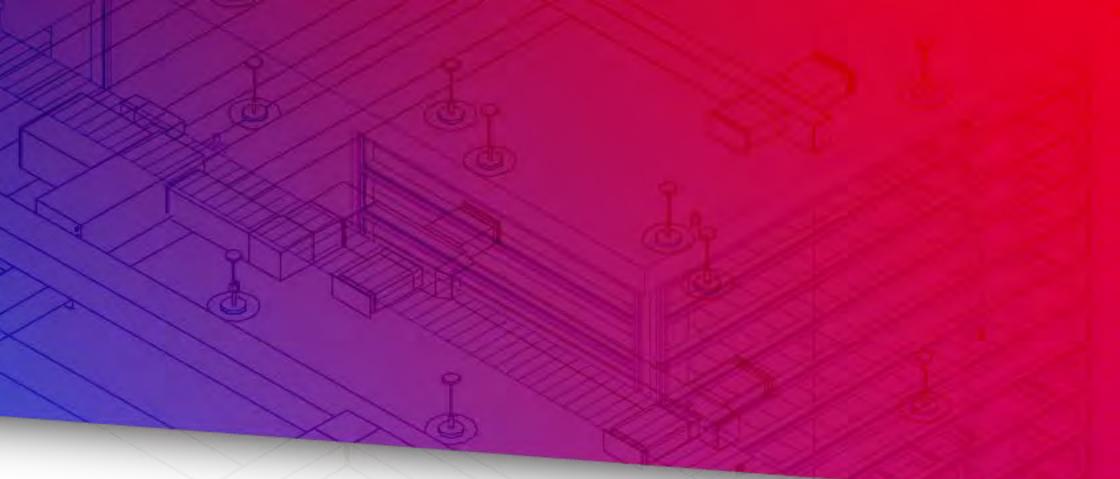


### **GEORGIA SMACNA Partners**

- Georgia SMACNA Chapter Executive Ginger Slaick and the Local 85 Contractors have been a pleasure to work with. No, we do not always agree but we talk things out to see if there is another avenue to go down.
- Communication is key in any relationship.
- Timely responses help.
- No reason to get mad or blow your top.

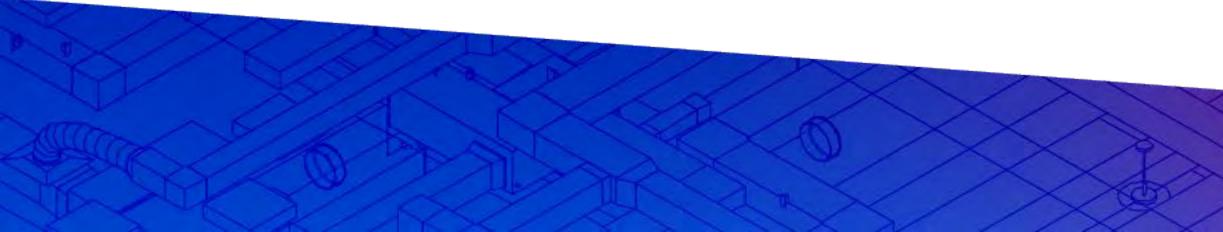


# MATT TEREK MCKENNEY'S, INC.



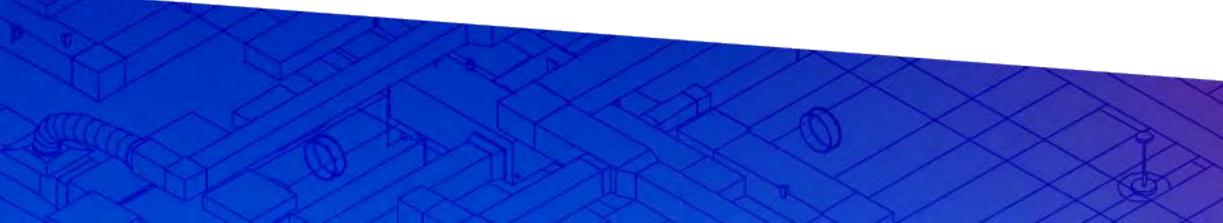
### **CONTRACTORS PERSPECTIVE** Relationship

- Develop a strategic plan
  - Contractor alignment
- Build a personal relationship
  - Go beyond "typical" meetings
- Change in Business Manager
  - Does this help or hurt?
  - What are we going to do different?



### **CONTRACTORS PERSPECTIVE** Relationship

- Do what you say you are going to do
- Communicate problems early
  - Jobsite issues
  - Other trades
  - CBA Issues
- Give them a lens into your workload
  - Forecast your needs



### **CONTRACTORS PERSPECTIVE** Relationship

- Find something you can work on together
  - Recruiting
  - New apprenticeship school
    - TABB Lab
    - Compete with other locals
  - Improve the apprenticeship
    - Retention
    - Curriculum
  - Legislative issues





### PLEASE REMEMBER TO FILL OUT YOUR BREAKOUT SURVEY ON THE APP

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