

# MAGA Membership & Woke Leadership - Brotherhood of Maintenance and Way Employees Division (BMWWE)

A Detailed Investigative Analysis of How Industrial Union Leadership has Ignored and Betrayed their MAGA Membership

Report Seven – Brotherhood of Maintenance and Way Employees Division (BMWWE)



**MEMORANDUM**

To: Friends of the American Accountability Foundation

From: American Accountability Foundation

Re: Detailed Investigative Analysis of how Industrial Union Leadership Has Betrayed Their Rank-and-File Membership Through an Aggressive Personal and Organizational Hostility to the Make America Great Again Movement Generally, and President Trump Specifically.

Report Seven – Brotherhood of Maintenance and Way Employees Division (BMWE)

**Following is the seventh report on seven leading industrial unions with membership who strongly support the Trump-Vance agenda, but whose leadership have abandoned the will of their membership and taken on a heavily liberal partisan lean. This report focuses on the Report Seven – Brotherhood of Maintenance and Way Employees Division (BMWE) union.**

When President Trump secured the Republican nomination in 2016 and then subsequently defeated Hillary Clinton, he completed a fundamental re-alignment of the Republican Party's policy agenda and its electoral base. The President's re-alignment endured through the Biden election in 2021 and through the President's re-election in 2025. A crucial part of the President's re-alignment of the Republican Party was his focus on issues that were vital to blue-collar workers, particularly immigration enforcement and adjustment of the U.S. trade regime through preference for bilateral agreements and the willingness to use tariffs as a tool of trade and domestic policy. At the center of the President's base was the working-class men without college degrees, many of whom were members of industrial unions.

While the broad support for the Trump-Vance agenda by industrial union members has been widely reported on, news of this nearly decade old re-alignment has apparently yet to reach the leadership of the Brotherhood of Maintenance and Way Employees Division (BMWE) union whose dues-paying members repeatedly cast ballots for President Trump.

The Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Division of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (BMWE) is one of the nation's largest rail unions representing over 37,000 members.

BMWE has a long history of associating with Democrats, donating to Democratic causes, and advocating against Donald Trump and the Republican party. The leadership's progressive alignment is a stunning betrayal of the large proportion of its working-class members who support the MAGA agenda and President Trump's leadership. BMWE's one-sided partisanship is evidenced by its attacks on the Trump agenda and its broad support for Democratic causes.

There are a variety of examples that underscore the leftward bent of BMWE' leadership including:



- BMW attacks during Trump's first term bemoaning how Trump was "Undoing Obama's Legacy" and claiming that "Trump's Deregulation is Dangerous."
- During the Biden administration, BMW actively support for Black Lives Matter in the wake of the George Floyd riots, and BMW's women's caucus advocating on how "reproductive justice" was intertwined with other leftist causes like universal healthcare.
- During the second Trump administration BMW actively opposed of the One Big Beautiful Bill.
- BMW colluding with anti-Trump and anti-MAGA Democrats Chuy Garcia and Dina Titus.

BMW's political spending out of their treasury disproportionately skews anti-MAGA. BMW sent over \$400,000 to exclusively left-wing organizations since 2017 including the Center for American Progress, a notorious left-wing think tank dedicated to undermining the Trump agenda. The union also contributed to the National Democratic Club and the National Teamsters Hispanic Caucus, known for their anti-immigration enforcement stances.

Further, BMW's PAC funding is part of the larger "D.R.I.V.E" (Democrat, Republican, Independent Voter Education) PAC which has funded Democratic candidates and PAC's 20 to 1 relative to Republicans.

If BMW's betrayal to their members through their political actions wasn't enough, BMW engages in massive wasteful spending. BMW spent over \$18 million on hotels, legal fees, promotional items, travel, political spending, and food/beverage from 2017-2024, with \$2 million of that going to casinos & resorts alone. Leadership at BMW has lined their own pockets, with 67% of the headquarters staff earning a salary of over six figures compared to the average BMW member making \$61,692.

Through their actions and spending, BMW and its leadership have demonstrated that they are not aligned with MAGA, see themselves as fighters for left wing causes at heart, and are willing to betray their own members to line their pockets and gamble at casinos.



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## Methodology

### Sourcing

Spending from LM-2 forms were sourced via the Office of Labor-Management Standards payee/payor search. All entities (locals, regional councils etc.) for each union were combined into one spreadsheet to detail spending from 2017 to 2024. All spending for PACs and Independent Expenditures were gathered from the Federal Election Commission.

### Political Spending

Unlike most organizations, owing to their history of corruption, many labor unions are subjected to a much more extensive public disclosure requirement regime than most not-for-profit organizations. The chief disclosure mechanism for unions is the LM-2 form that is required by the Office of Labor-Management Standards. This form requires detailed reporting of line-item expenditures from the union, detailing nearly all expenditures by the union. In the reporting below we will detail political expenditures from the union both as detailed in their LM-2, and as detailed with the Federal Elections Commission for hard dollar political donations from their PACs and Independent Expenditures. We also detail political expenditure from the union's LM-2 that are political/advocacy in nature, including advocacy and political activities that are not necessarily tied to a registered political committee, but are clearly designed to influence public debate.

### Wasteful Spending

We have compiled the LM-2 forms for all seven unions from 2017-2024 (last available year for all unions). 2017 was used as it marked the beginning of President Trump's first term. The disclosure of union spending on these forms is broken down under five categories that include general overhead, union administration, representative activities, contributions/gifts/grants, and political activity. These spending categories (golf outing as general overhead) are often misleading, so we have created seven new classifications that more accurately describe union spending. New categories for spending are listed as follows, entertainment, food and beverage, hotel and conference, legal, political spending, swag, and travel.

#### *Categories*

**Entertainment** – Parties, amusement parks, recreational events/activities, as well as sports ventures and venues

**Food and Beverage** – Restaurants, drinks, fast food, and catering

**Hotel and Conference** – Resorts, hotels, conferences, banquets, and event venues



**Legal** – lawyers, law firms, arbitration, and any legal expenses

**Political Spending** – Advocacy, ideological organizations, candidates, committees and all expenses the union labels as political activity

**Swag** – Watches, jewelry, t-shirts, gifts, printing, and any merchandise purchased by the union

**Travel** – Airlines, travel expenses, and travel agents



## Political Spending Undermining MAGA Policies

Whether it's donations to non-profits, hard dollar political spending, or independent expenditures, the data and details show that BMW's advocacy spending is aggressively biased toward progressives and is working to undermine the Trump-Vance agenda.

### Massive Left-Wing "Small P" Political Donations to Progressive Non-Profits

BMW contributed over \$400,000 to exclusively left-wing organizations since President Trump first took office in 2017.<sup>1</sup> This included donations to Demlist, the Economic Policy Institute, Labor Campaign for Single Payer, and the Equality State Policy Center among others.

NAME	REPORT	TOTAL	FILE #
CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND	2017 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
DEMLIST, LLC	2024 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE	2018 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE	2019 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
EQUALITY STATE POLICY CENTER	2017 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
EQUALITY STATE POLICY CENTER	2019 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
IBT WOMEN'S CONFERENCE C/O CINDY IMPALA	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE	2019 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE	2023 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE PAYER	2020 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE	2018 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE	2021 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE	2022 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
LABOR CAMPAIGN FOR SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE	2024 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
MARCH ON HARRISBURG INC	2023 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2017 (LM2)	\$20,000.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2018 (LM2)	\$24,000.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2019 (LM2)	\$24,500.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2021 (LM2)	\$6,013.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2021 (LM2)	\$6,500.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2023 (LM2)	\$6,500.00	000-062
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB	2024 (LM2)	\$13,085.00	000-062
PHILADELPHIA AFL-CIO	2020 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
PRESERVE MIDDLE CLASS AMERICA	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
PRESERVE MIDDLE CLASS AMERICA	2018 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
RBC & ASSOCIATES LLC	2023 (LM2)	\$17,000.00	000-062
RBC & ASSOCIATES, LLC	2022 (LM2)	\$11,000.00	000-062
RESOURCE FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	2019 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
RESOURCE FOR HUMAN DEVELOPEMENT-MARCH ON HARRISBUR	2018 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
RHD - MARCH ON HARRISBURG C/O FRANK DISTEFANO	2020 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
SHALOM CENTER - MARCH ON HARRISBURG	2018 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
TAKEITBACK.ORG	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062

<sup>1</sup> *Union Reports Search*, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Labor-Management Standards, [https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?\\_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/](https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/) (last visited Feb. 13, 2026).



NAME	REPORT	TOTAL	FILE #
TEAMSTERS HISPANIC CAUCUS	2017 (LM2)	\$9,350.00	000-062
TEAMSTERS HISPANIC CAUCUS	2019 (LM2)	\$5,300.00	000-062
TEAMSTERS HISPANIC CAUCUS - FLORIDA CHAPTER	2020 (LM2)	\$6,050.00	000-062
TEAMSTERS NAT BLACK CAUCUS-N. JACKSON, TREASURER	2020 (LM2)	\$6,800.00	000-062
THE CENTER FOR EDUCATION & RESEARCH	2018 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
US HIGH SPEED RAIL ASSOCIATION	2023 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
VOTE NO ON 1	2023 (LM2)	\$25,000.00	000-062
WE ARE MISSOURI	2019 (LM2)	\$100,000.00	000-062
WORKERS INDEPENDENT NEWS	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
		\$441,098.00	

As the chart above shows, the BMW has a decades long history of incubating some of the groups that are at the vanguard of opposing the Trump agenda. Payments to the National Democratic Club show the union leadership in DC is far more interested in drinking fine wine with Democrat elites than they are hanging out with average working-class membership. And while the unions may justify lunching with lawmakers as part of having a DC presence for the union, it is telling that the BMW spent over \$100,000 on the National Democratic Club and not one cent at the Capitol Hill Club, the Republican equivalent.

### ***Center for American Progress***

The Center for American Progress is a notorious left wing “think-tank” populated with Trump haters. One small example of its hatred is a recent article claiming President Trump is “trading democratic norms for a toolkit of coercion, loyalty, and control” that is modeled after Communist China.<sup>2</sup> Blaring the headline:

“Trump Brings China-Style Authoritarianism to America”

The center has also published pieces claiming President Trump is endangering children’s health and that CBP and ICE are a threat to Americans titled:<sup>3 4</sup>

“How the Trump Administration’s Embrace of Oil, Gas, and Chemical Industry Interests Will Endanger Children’s Health”

<sup>2</sup>Trump Brings China-Style Authoritarianism to America, *Center for American Progress* (Sept. 15, 2023), <https://www.americanprogress.org/article/trump-brings-china-style-authoritarianism-to-america/> (last visited Feb. 8, 2026).

<sup>3</sup>How the Trump Administration’s Embrace of Oil, Gas, and Chemical Industry Interests Will Endanger Children’s Health, *Center for American Progress* (Nov. 14, 2023), <https://www.americanprogress.org/article/how-the-trump-administrations-embrace-of-oil-gas-and-chemical-industry-interests-will-endanger-childrens-health/> (last visited Feb. 8, 2026).

<sup>4</sup>The Trump Administration’s ICE and CBP Have Become a Threat to Americans; Congress Must Ensure That DHS Follows the Law and Adopts Commonsense Reforms, *Center for American Progress* (Dec. 12, 2023), <https://www.americanprogress.org/article/the-trump-administrations-ice-and-cbp-have-become-a-threat-to-americans-congress-must-ensure-that-dhs-follows-the-law-and-adopts-commonsense-reforms/> (last visited Feb. 8, 2026).



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CAP has also recently published pieces on racial equity/justice, restoring social trust in Democracy and tackling climate change and environmental justice.<sup>5</sup>

### ***National Teamsters Hispanic Caucus – Anti Immigration Enforcement Group***

The Teamsters Hispanic Caucus published a resolution opposing the Trump Administration’s immigration policy.<sup>6</sup>

“WHEREAS, while we acknowledge that every country has the right to protect its borders, this right is not unlimited and must be exercised with respect for the human dignity of each person and must acknowledge the right of families to seek a better life, particularly when fleeing violence, persecution, poverty, war or military conflict.”

“WHEREAS, at this moment, many of our brothers, sisters and siblings who have immigrated to the United States of America live in fear of arrest, deportation, family separation, and/or the loss of a home or job;”

BMW’s posturing is particularly galling since union members have often been at the vanguard of underscoring how illegal immigrants are stealing entry level jobs from legal citizens, jobs that would often go to union members.

### **BMW Overt Political Spending**

BMW is a central part of one of the strongest political action committees in the industrial union space, the Teamsters D.R.I.V.E. (Democrat, Republican, Independent Voter Education) PAC. When BMW merged into part of the Teamsters in 2004 “the Maintenance of Way Political League, BMW’s political action committee, [had] its funds merged into the Teamsters’ D.R.I.V.E. (Democrat, Republican, Independent Voter Education) political action committee.”<sup>7</sup> With BMW being a part of D.R.I.V.E. the analysis below details the activities of D.R.I.V.E.

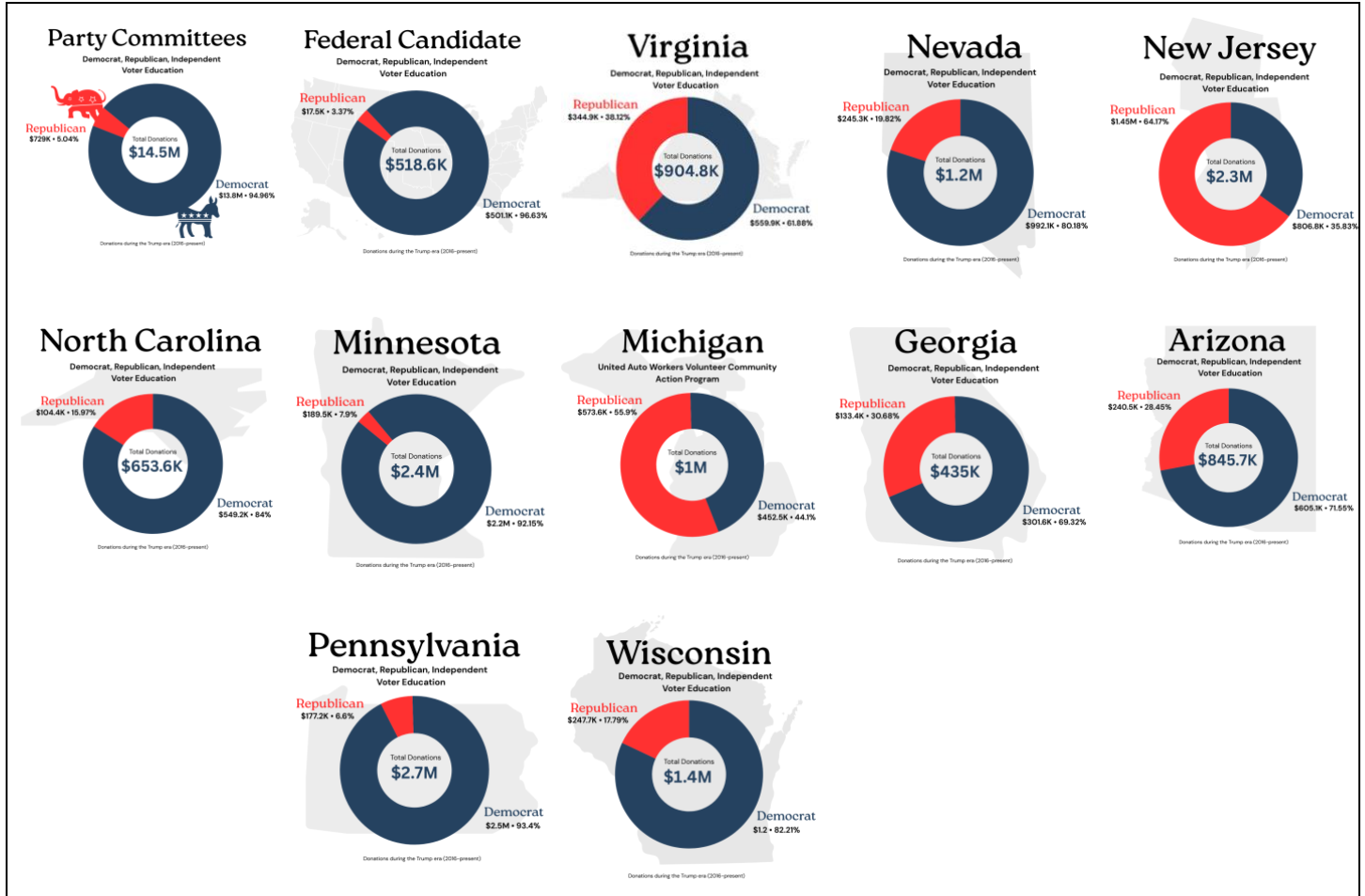
<sup>5</sup> *Issues*, Center for American Progress, <https://www.americanprogress.org/issues/> (last visited Feb. 8, 2026).

<sup>6</sup> *National Hispanic Task Force on Incarceration & Bail Reform*, <https://www.nthcibt.org/> (last visited Feb. 9, 2026).

<sup>7</sup> BMW Merger Q&A: Questions & Answers, UPRF BMW (Oct. 6, 2004), [https://www.uprfbmwed.org/Docs/merger/Merger\\_QA\\_BMW.pdf#:~:text=A%3A%20The%20Maintenance%20of%20Way%20Political%20League%2C.merged%20into%20the%20Teamsters%20D.R.I.V.E.%20\(Democrat%2C%20Republican%2C](https://www.uprfbmwed.org/Docs/merger/Merger_QA_BMW.pdf#:~:text=A%3A%20The%20Maintenance%20of%20Way%20Political%20League%2C.merged%20into%20the%20Teamsters%20D.R.I.V.E.%20(Democrat%2C%20Republican%2C)



**Hard Dollar Donations from D.R.I.V.E Skew Heavily Anti-MAGA**



D.R.I.V.E., despite its name, is not in any real way a bipartisan committee. Both their federal candidate donations and their party committee donations are overwhelmingly skewed toward Democrats 20 to 1, with an eye-popping \$13,762,200 going to Democrat party committees while only \$729,846.71 go to Republican. Their spending in the target states is still overwhelmingly biased toward Democrats with nine of the eleven states having an overwhelming majority of their donations going to Democrats, but they do notably make a majority of hard dollar donations of Democrats in New Jersey (64.17%) and Michigan (55.90%).

	Democrat		Republican	
Party Committees (Federal and State)	\$13,762,200.34	94.96%	\$729,846.71	5.04%
Federal Candidate	\$501,120.00	96.63%	\$17,500.00	3.37%



	Democrat		Republican	
Virginia	\$559,950.00	61.88%	\$344,880.63	38.12%
Nevada	\$992,100.00	80.18%	\$245,300.00	19.82%
New Jersey	\$806,802.40	35.83%	\$1,445,055.39	64.17%
North Carolina	\$549,207.00	84.03%	\$104,400.00	15.97%
Minnesota	\$2,223,408.79	92.15%	\$189,483.04	7.85%
Michigan	\$452,536.23	44.10%	\$573,639.89	55.90%
Georgia	\$301,626.00	69.32%	\$133,473.19	30.68%
Arizona	\$605,100.00	71.55%	\$240,596.00	28.45%
New Hampshire	\$239,000.00	73.75%	\$85,047.76	26.25%
Pennsylvania	\$2,506,772.25	93.40%	\$177,164.05	6.60%
Wisconsin	\$1,145,000.00	82.21%	\$247,742.00	17.79%

The aggregate numbers are shocking, but the specific examples are equally shocking and show how out of step the union leadership that is distributing PAC dollars is. Examples from the most recent cycle include:

Based on the PAC sheet, here are the top 10 largest disbursements for the report year 2024:

- HOUSE MAJORITY PAC <sup>8</sup> - \$500,000.00
- DEMOCRATIC GOVERNORS' ASSOCIATION – NF <sup>9</sup> - \$350,000.00
- SENATE MAJORITY PAC<sup>10 11</sup> - \$510,000.00
- NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP CMTE <sup>12</sup> - \$175,000.00
- DEMOCRATIC ATTORNEY GENERAL ASSOCIATION (DAGA) – NF <sup>13 14</sup> - \$200,000.00

<sup>8</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202407199661336088, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202407199661336088> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>9</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202407199661336106, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202407199661336106> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>10</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202407199661336089, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202407199661336089> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>11</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202403209622585229, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202403209622585229> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>12</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202410189698653418, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202410189698653418> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>13</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202412039720157289, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202412039720157289> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>14</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202403209622585244, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202403209622585244> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).



The top donations to Republicans are not even a tenth of the top donations to Democrats. The union's largest donations, to the RNC Convention Fund and the NRCC Building Fund, speaks more of token-ism than a desire to align with the President's electoral efforts.

- REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CMTE CONVENTION FUND, - \$45,000.00 <sup>15</sup>
- NRCC BUILDING FUND, \$25,000.00 <sup>16</sup>

In addition to the ideological imbalance in funds in hard dollars, D.R.I.V.E. is as radically left leaning in its Independent Expenditures.

***D.R.I.V.E. Independent Expenditures Wildly Lopsided – Decidedly Anti-MAGA***

Much like their hard dollar spending, the Independent Expenditures by the union match the ideological anti-MAGA leanings detailed above.

	Support Dem / Oppose Rep	Pro Dem Percentage	Support Rep / Oppose Dem	Pro Rep %
2016	\$0.00		\$0.00	
2018	\$39,475.28	100.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
2020	\$164,302.61	100.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
2022	\$36,712.56	100.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
2024	\$99,470.00	83.26%	\$20,000.00	16.74%
2026	\$0.00		\$0.00	

The IEs by D.R.I.V.E. are very often about getting union members to the polls to support Democrats.

- TEAMSTERS 2024 GOTV DIGITAL ADS - \$90,000.00 <sup>17 18 19 20 21</sup>

<sup>15</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202402209619850662, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202402209619850662> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>16</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202407199661336089, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202407199661336089> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>17</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202411129719967547, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202411129719967547> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>18</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202411129719967545, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202411129719967545> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>19</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202411129719967546, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202411129719967546> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>20</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202411129719967549, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202411129719967549> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>21</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202411129719967548, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202411129719967548> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).



- HARRIS/BIDEN RALLY SIGNS, STICKERS & FACE MASKS - \$12,821.00 <sup>22</sup>
- TELECONFERENCE CALL WITH RETIREES - \$25,000.00 <sup>23</sup>

While the IE expenditures are smaller than the hard dollar donations, they still follow the same pattern of having a wild imbalance between Republican and Democrat politicians.

## Waste and Abuse Within the Union

BMW is no stranger to wasteful spending, using the Union's financial resources not to their members' benefit, but for leadership to go to casinos, resorts and engage in leftist activism.

### Wasteful Spending on Everything from Entertainment to Politics

BMW spent over \$18,000,000 on political spending, legal, hotel and conference, travel, swag, and food/beverage.<sup>24</sup>

SPENDING CATEGORY	AMOUNT
HOTEL AND CONFERENCE	\$7,245,943
LEGAL	\$5,441,340
PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	\$2,713,396
TRAVEL	\$2,107,763
POLITICAL SPENDING	\$441,098
FOOD AND BEVERAGE	\$137,832
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,087,372</b>

**Research Note on Wasteful Spending:** The same categories outlined in the methodology note at the top of this report apply to BMW, but nothing could be categorized under the Entertainment section.

### Casino and Resort Spending

BMW spent over \$2,000,000 on casinos and resorts from 2017 to 2024. This included a payment of over \$500,000 to Caesars Entertainment.<sup>25</sup>

NAME	REPORT	AMOUNT	FILE #
BALLY'S ATLANTIC CITY	2020 (LM2)	\$40,565.00	006-839
BALLY'S HOTEL	2019 (LM2)	\$9,023.00	543-819

<sup>22</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202105049446287303, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202105049446287303> (last visited Feb. 10, 2022)

<sup>23</sup> Federal Election Commission, FEC Filing No. 202105149446712806, FEC.gov, <https://docquery.fec.gov/cgi-bin/fecimg/?202105149446712806> (last visited Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>24</sup> *Union Reports Search*, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Labor-Management Standards, [https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?\\_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/](https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/) (last visited Feb. 13, 2026).

<sup>25</sup> *Union Reports Search*, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Labor-Management Standards, [https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?\\_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/](https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/) (last visited Feb. 13, 2026).



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NAME	REPORT	AMOUNT	FILE #
BALLY'S HOTEL	2019 (LM2)	\$363,112.00	000-062
BALLY'S HOTEL LAS VEGAS	2017 (LM2)	\$7,079.00	543-614
BALLY'S HOTEL LAS VEGAS	2017 (LM2)	\$5,895.00	069-795
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS	2019 (LM2)	\$37,711.00	003-939
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS	2019 (LM2)	\$20,380.00	069-795
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS	2022 (LM2)	\$11,501.00	543-614
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS - HOSPITALITY ACCOUNTING	2017 (LM2)	\$5,000.00	000-062
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS - HOSPITALITY ACCOUNTING	2018 (LM2)	\$25,000.00	000-062
BALLY'S PARIS LAS VEGAS	2020 (LM2)	\$12,374.00	000-062
BALLYS - LAS VEGAS	2017 (LM2)	\$17,472.00	543-819
BALLYS HOTEL	2019 (LM2)	\$19,478.00	543-614
BALLYS PARIS LAS VEGAS	2021 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
BALLYS PARIS LAS VEGAS	2022 (LM2)	\$40,000.00	000-062
CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT	2023 (LM2)	\$30,994.00	003-939
CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT	2023 (LM2)	\$22,830.00	069-795
CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT	2024 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
CAESARS HOTEL & CASINO	2023 (LM2)	\$17,862.00	543-614
CAESARS HOTEL & CASINO	2023 (LM2)	\$13,229.00	543-819
CAESARS HOTEL & CASINO	2023 (LM2)	\$5,105.00	544-147
CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT	2023 (LM2)	\$522,281.00	000-062
DISNEY DESTINATIONS	2017 (LM2)	\$130,000.00	544-147
DISNEY DESTINATIONS	2018 (LM2)	\$50,000.00	543-614
DISNEY DESTINATIONS	2018 (LM2)	\$78,708.00	544-147
DISNEY DESTINATIONS	2019 (LM2)	\$205,475.00	543-614
FLAMINGO LAS VEGAS	2022 (LM2)	\$50,000.00	543-614
FLAMINGO LAS VEGAS	2023 (LM2)	\$129,840.00	543-614
FRENCH LICK RESORT	2018 (LM2)	\$10,408.00	000-062
GENEVA-ON-THE-LAKE	2024 (LM2)	\$36,050.00	546-368
GREEKTOWN CASINO	2023 (LM2)	\$18,867.00	000-062
GREEKTOWN CASINO & HOTEL	2019 (LM2)	\$15,252.00	000-062
HARRAHS CHEROKEE	2024 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	000-062
HENDERSON BEACH RESORT	2024 (LM2)	\$75,003.00	543-819
HOLIDAY INN RESORT	2020 (LM2)	\$5,546.00	543-819
HYATT HOTELS & RESORTS	2018 (LM2)	\$14,127.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY COCONUT POINT RESORT	2017 (LM2)	\$32,996.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY COCONUT PT	2021 (LM2)	\$16,493.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY COCONUT PT	2022 (LM2)	\$16,468.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY RESORT	2019 (LM2)	\$10,664.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY RESORT	2020 (LM2)	\$24,282.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY RESORT	2021 (LM2)	\$8,863.00	543-819
HYATT REGENCY RESORT	2022 (LM2)	\$11,470.00	543-819
STARWOOD HOTELS & RESORTS	2018 (LM2)	\$10,105.00	543-819
SUNRIVER RESORT	2019 (LM2)	\$10,000.00	543-614
SUNRIVER RESORT	2020 (LM2)	\$36,105.00	543-614
THE RESORT AT MT	2023 (LM2)	\$9,717.00	543-614
TULALIP RESORT CASINO	2017 (LM2)	\$71,172.00	003-939
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,334,502.00</b>	



### Millions on Swag

BMW spent nearly \$3,000,000 on printing, souvenirs, and awards.<sup>26</sup>

NAME	TYPE/CLASSIFICATION	REPORT	AMOUNT	FILE #
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY COMPANY	2018 (LM2)	\$70,979.00	543-819
ICON TROPHIES & DESIGNS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$6,065.00	543-819
AMAZON CLOTHING.COM	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY COMPANY	2023 (LM2)	\$8,186.00	543-614
IMAGE POINT	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY COMPANY	2023 (LM2)	\$24,084.00	546-694
STRASSEIM GRAPHIC DESIGN	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY COMPANY	2023 (LM2)	\$29,287.00	546-694
IMAGE POINT	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY COMPANY	2024 (LM2)	\$11,189.00	546-694
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$8,807.00	544-147
AMERICAN PRODUCTS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$12,380.00	006-839
DELUXE	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$9,765.00	069-795
SHARPE IMPRESSIONS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$9,280.00	543-614
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2018 (LM2)	\$9,897.00	069-795
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2018 (LM2)	\$7,875.00	003-939
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2019 (LM2)	\$16,755.00	541-959
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2020 (LM2)	\$7,180.00	030-402
UNION MARKETING IDEAS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$7,762.00	000-062
UNION MARKETING IDEAS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2018 (LM2)	\$17,331.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2024 (LM2)	\$5,387.00	543-614
DELUXE	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$6,495.00	003-939
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/SPECIALTY CO.	2018 (LM2)	\$7,671.00	544-147
BUCK KNIVES, INC.	SOUVENIR/AWARDS/ SPECIALTY COMPANY	2020 (LM2)	\$5,123.00	543-819
DELUXE	SOUVENIR/ AWARDS/ SPECIALTY CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$7,994.00	003-939
BRANDITO	SOUVENIR, AWARDS, SPECIALTY CO.	2018 (LM2)	\$8,515.00	027-489
DELUXE STRATEGIC SOURCING	SOUVENIR SPECIALTY / PRINTING COMPANY	2017 (LM2)	\$33,314.00	543-819
UNION MARKETING IDEAS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY COMPANY	2022 (LM2)	\$8,888.00	000-062
AMERICAN PRODUCTS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2018 (LM2)	\$21,113.00	006-839
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2019 (LM2)	\$7,123.00	003-939
AMERICAN PRODUCTS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2019 (LM2)	\$16,777.00	006-839
AMERICAN PRODUCTS INC.	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2019 (LM2)	\$8,266.00	543-614
UNION MARKETING IDEAS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2020 (LM2)	\$7,343.00	000-062
VISUAL PROMOTIONS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2021 (LM2)	\$16,127.00	544-147
ONE UNITED PROMOTIONS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2024 (LM2)	\$10,797.00	000-062
UNIVERSAL PROMOTIONS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2024 (LM2)	\$6,138.00	000-062
UNIVERSAL PROMOTIONS	SOUVENIR / AWARDS / SPECIALTY CO.	2024 (LM2)	\$34,020.00	000-062
THEODORE MASSINELLO	SOUVENIR / AWARDS	2023 (LM2)	\$19,320.00	000-062
UNION MARKETING IDEAS	SOUVENIR / AWARD COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$22,634.00	000-062
ALLIED PRINTING COMPANY	PRINTING COMPANY	2017 (LM2)	\$19,814.00	543-614
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	PRINTING COMPANY	2017 (LM2)	\$10,617.00	543-819
ALLIED PRINTING COMPANY	PRINTING COMPANY	2018 (LM2)	\$15,191.00	543-614
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	PRINTING COMPANY	2018 (LM2)	\$7,363.00	543-819

<sup>26</sup> Union Reports Search, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Labor-Management Standards, [https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?\\_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/](https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Payer/Payee%20Search/) (last visited Feb. 13, 2026).



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STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING COMPANY	2018 (LM2)	\$25,562.00	006-839
ALLIED PRINTING COMPANY	PRINTING COMPANY	2019 (LM2)	\$5,228.00	543-614
AMERICAN DIVERSITY	PRINTING COMPANY	2019 (LM2)	\$10,677.00	543-819
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING COMPANY	2019 (LM2)	\$9,173.00	006-839
UNION MARKETING IDEAS	PRINTING COMPANY	2019 (LM2)	\$6,308.00	000-062
ALLIED PRINTING COMPANY	PRINTING COMPANY	2020 (LM2)	\$5,532.00	544-147
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	PRINTING COMPANY	2020 (LM2)	\$18,898.00	543-819
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING COMPANY	2020 (LM2)	\$6,372.00	006-839
ALLIED PRINTING COMPANY	PRINTING COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$5,806.00	543-614
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$8,675.00	543-614
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	PRINTING COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$4,193.00	543-819
BEACON PRESS	PRINTING COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$5,870.00	544-147
DO-GOOD BIZ, INC	PRINTING COMPANY	2021 (LM2)	\$5,076.00	003-939
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUS PRINT	PRINTING COMPANY	2022 (LM2)	\$26,275.00	543-819
BEACON PRESS	PRINTING COMPANY	2022 (LM2)	\$8,772.00	544-147
AMERICAN DIV BUS SOL	PRINTING COMPANY	2023 (LM2)	\$42,978.00	543-819
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUS SOL	PRINTING COMPANY	2024 (LM2)	\$63,359.00	543-819
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING CO.	2017 (LM2)	\$20,234.00	006-839
DELUXE	PRINTING	2017 (LM2)	\$289,618.00	000-062
DELUXE	PRINTING	2017 (LM2)	\$19,137.00	000-062
IN STOCK MARKETING SERVICES	PRINTING	2017 (LM2)	\$11,224.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2018 (LM2)	\$132,207.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2018 (LM2)	\$13,648.00	000-062
DELUXE	PRINTING	2018 (LM2)	\$16,352.00	000-062
DELUXE	PRINTING	2018 (LM2)	\$9,009.00	000-062
PEAKE DELANCEY	PRINTING	2018 (LM2)	\$8,608.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUS	PRINTING	2019 (LM2)	\$340,748.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUS	PRINTING	2019 (LM2)	\$59,445.00	000-062
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC DESIGN & PRESS CORP	PRINTING	2019 (LM2)	\$7,842.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2020 (LM2)	\$110,465.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUS	PRINTING	2021 (LM2)	\$127,308.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2021 (LM2)	\$8,250.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2021 (LM2)	\$5,831.00	000-062
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING	2021 (LM2)	\$5,785.00	000-062
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING	2021 (LM2)	\$8,520.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2022 (LM2)	\$99,089.00	000-062
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC DESIGN & PRESS CORP.	PRINTING	2022 (LM2)	\$48,990.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUS	PRINTING	2023 (LM2)	\$30,203.00	000-062
AMERICAN DIVERSITY BUSINESS	PRINTING	2023 (LM2)	\$420,836.00	000-062
STRASSHEIM GRAPHIC	PRINTING	2023 (LM2)	\$39,483.00	000-062
TRADE SOLUTIONS	PRINTING	2023 (LM2)	\$7,027.00	000-062
TRADE SOLUTIONS	PRINTING	2023 (LM2)	\$6,231.00	000-062
WOLF RAILWAY CONSULTING, LLC	PRINTING	2024 (LM2)	\$8,700.00	000-062
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$2,713,396.00</b>	

The union's wasteful spending on casinos, resorts, printing, and souvenirs is wasting union members money when it could be used on achieving its worker representational ends or educating and training the next generation of men and women who build America's railroads.



## Self-Enrichment by Union Leadership

### 65% of National Headquarters Earn Six-Figure Salary

Despite a BMW benefits report (2020) citing a wage of \$61,692 for its employees,<sup>27</sup> 65% of BMW's national headquarters employees garnered six-figure salaries in 2024.<sup>28</sup>

Name	Title	Gross Salary	Report
TONY D CARDWELL	PRESIDENT	\$233,492.00	2024 (LM2)
DALE E BOGART JR	SECRETARY-TREASURER	\$206,709.00	2024 (LM2)
JEFFERY L FRY	VICE PRESIDENT	\$187,656.00	2024 (LM2)
SEAN D GERIE	VICE PRESIDENT	\$187,256.00	2024 (LM2)
GALEN E OWEN	VICE PRESIDENT	\$186,856.00	2024 (LM2)
REESE N SAULTER, III	VICE PRESIDENT	\$186,856.00	2024 (LM2)
STACI R MOODY-GILBERT	VICE PRESIDENT	\$186,056.00	2024 (LM2)
ZACHARY C VOEGEL	DIRECTOR OF ARBITRATION	\$169,588.00	2024 (LM2)
JEFFERY R JOINES	DIRECTOR OF GOVT AFFAIRS	\$161,602.00	2024 (LM2)
PERRY A RAPIER	ARBITRATION ADVOCATE	\$160,433.00	2024 (LM2)
ANGELA K CARR	EXEC ASST TO SEC-TREAS	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
ASHLEY W ANDERSON	DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
CHRISTOPHER C BALLEW	DIRECTOR-COMMUNICATIONS	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
CHRISTOPHER D LEIDY	DIRECTOR OF INFOR SYS	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
KEVIN D EVANSKI	EXEC ASST TO PRESIDENT	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
ROY L MORRISON, III	DIRECTOR OF SAFETY	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
THOMAS G KIRBY	DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZING	\$159,611.00	2024 (LM2)
ZACHARY J WOOD	DIR-STRATEGIC CO/RESEARCH	\$145,031.00	2024 (LM2)
DANIEL T YACK	ASST DIRECTOR INFOR SYS	\$143,980.00	2024 (LM2)
DAVID M PASCARELLA	ASST DIRECTOR-ARBITRATION	\$143,980.00	2024 (LM2)
ROSS A GLORIOSO	ASST DIRECTOR-NRAB MEMBER	\$133,320.00	2024 (LM2)
VICTORIA R THURLOW	ADMIN STAFF SPECIALIST	\$125,337.00	2024 (LM2)
JOHN P SCHLISMANN	PUBLIC LAW BOARD ADVOCATE	\$124,137.00	2024 (LM2)
SUSAN K SOVA	STAFF SPEC-CONTROLLER	\$124,137.00	2024 (LM2)
WAYNE A LUPO	STAFF SPEC-FIN&MEMBERSHIP	\$124,137.00	2024 (LM2)
SUSAN B HUNT	STAFF SPEC-GOVT REP SVC	\$121,728.00	2024 (LM2)
ADAM N GILMOUR	ARBITRATION ADVOCATE	\$120,059.00	2024 (LM2)
CASEY J SUMMERS	ARBITRATION ADVOCATE	\$118,806.00	2024 (LM2)
SCOTT G JAMES	ARBITRATION ADVOCATE	\$118,214.00	2024 (LM2)
DANIEL R INCLIMA	STAFF SPEC-COMMUNICATIONS	\$117,136.00	2024 (LM2)
MITCH J MC CARTHY	ARBITRATION ADVOCATE	\$114,814.00	2024 (LM2)
KEVIN Y ADAMS	ARBITRATION ADVOCATE	\$114,214.00	2024 (LM2)
SONIA M PETTAWAY	OFFICE COORD& LEGIS ASST	\$109,754.00	2024 (LM2)
ERIC M ROSE	STAFF ASST-FIELD AUDITOR	\$108,554.00	2024 (LM2)
JOSEPH A CORLEY, JR.	STAFF ASST-FIELD AUDITOR	\$108,554.00	2024 (LM2)
TINA M LECHUGA	SENIOR OFFICE COORDINATOR	\$108,554.00	2024 (LM2)

<sup>27</sup> 2020 Compensation Package (PDF), Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division (BMWED), <https://www.usdbmwed.org/Benefits/2020%20Compensation%20package.pdf> (last visited Feb. 14, 2026).

<sup>28</sup> Union Reports: Officer/Employee Search, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Labor-Management Standards, [https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?\\_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Officer/Employee%20Search/](https://olmsapps.dol.gov/olpdr/?_ga=2.254274315.2020607130.1658153547-131188624.1645563445#Union%20Reports/Officer/Employee%20Search/) (last visited Feb. 14, 2026).



According to BMWED Local Lodge 1020, union members are paying nearly \$100 a month in dues that goes to subsidizing the salaries of union leadership.<sup>29</sup>

## **Anti-MAGA Advocacy by Union Leaders and Organizational Wokeness**

While BMWED's anti-MAGA advocacy was particularly aggressive during Trump's first election and term, it did not end there and continues in subtler means to this very day through various criticisms of bills like the One Big Beautiful Bill, associating with anti-Trump Democrats, and pushing organizational wokeness.

### **BMWED is Critical of MAGA Agenda**

#### ***Trump was "Undoing Obama's Legacy"***

In 2017 they primed readers against the President, linking to an article that talks about how Trump was "undoing Obama's legacy on labor". The article mentions that this will be accomplished by appointing two Supreme Court justices to vacant seats:

Now, by filling two vacant seats and swinging the board from Democratic to Republican control, Trump could reverse these actions:

- A ruling that increased the likelihood companies could be held responsible for labor violations committed by contractors and franchisees.
- A ruling that made it easier for relatively small groups of workers within a company to form a union.
- A ruling that granted graduate students at private universities a federally protected right to unionize.
- Rules enacted by the Obama-era board allowing union elections to proceed on a faster timetable. Many business groups refer to the new approach as "ambush" rules, complaining that employers no longer have sufficient time to make the case to workers against unionizing.

This Trump critical piece highlights how BMWED's support of those critical of the Trump administration dates back to his first term.<sup>30 31</sup>

#### ***Trump's "Deregulation is Dangerous"***

BMWED attacked the President by citing another article claiming that Trump's "anti-regulatory fervor" could derail train safety, literally saying the Trump agenda would kill people.<sup>32</sup>

<sup>29</sup> BMWED-ITB Flyer, Wabtec Corporation, <https://www.wabteccorp.com/BMWED-ITB-flyer-1?inline> (last visited Feb. 12, 2026).

<sup>30</sup> @BMWEDIBT (@BMWED\_IBT), X (June 26, 2017), <https://x.com/BMWEDIBT/status/879379667060482049?s=20>

<sup>31</sup> Noam Scheiber, Trump Takes Steps to Undo Obama Legacy on Labor, Seattle Times (Jun. 24, 2017), <https://www.seattletimes.com/business/trump-takes-steps-to-undo-obama-legacy-on-labor/>

<sup>32</sup> Dan Freedman, Will Trump's Anti-Regulatory Fervor Derail the Train?, Times Union (Apr. 30, 2017), <https://www.timesunion.com/tuplus-business/article/Will-Trump-anti-regulatory-fervor-derail-train-11110699.php>



A runaway oil-tanker train that sent bomb-like fireballs into the air and nearly wiped a Quebec village off the map brought forth an Obama administration rule last year requiring at least two crew members aboard all trains, passenger and freight.

But now, the rule is one among perhaps dozens shelved by the Trump administration, according to federal and congressional sources.

In the waning days of the Obama administration, the crew-member-minimum rule was about to be published in the Federal Register and, in effect, enacted.

Instead, Trump's Office of Management and Budget brought the curtain down on all such pending rules. The Department of Transportation withdrew the two-person minimum, an OMB official confirmed.

Now it is officially listed as "pending." Federal and congressional sources say it has been effectively shelved, with one describing it as in "limbo."

The shelving is illustrative of Trump's conviction that "regulatory reform" is necessary to unshackle business from what Trump considers to be overly burden some government regulation. But safety advocates in and out of politics say that all it takes is another railroad disaster to prove his viewpoint is short-sighted.

Instead of praising President Trump for cutting burdensome regulations, BMW used the opportunity to attack the Trump Administration and baselessly smear that he wanted Americans to die.

### ***BMW Vice President Sarcastically Remarkd "Trumpcare" on Article Claiming Millions Would Lose Healthcare Under GOP Plan***

Meanwhile, a Vice President of the Union, Reese Saulter, made an anti-Trump post in 2017 making a sarcastic remark about a proposed GOP healthcare plan where "millions would lose coverage" with Reese saying "TrumpCare!!!"<sup>33 34</sup>

The article slams the administration and Republicans broadly by quoting Chuck Schumer:

"The CBO's estimate makes clear that TrumpCare will cause serious harm to millions of American families," Senate Democratic Leader Charles Schumer (N.Y.) said in a statement.

"Tens of millions will lose their coverage, and millions more, particularly seniors, will have to pay more for health care. The CBO score shows just how empty the president's promises, that everyone will be covered and costs will go down, have been."

The CBO estimated that 24 million people would become uninsured by 2026 under the bill, largely due to the proposed changes to Medicaid. Seven million fewer people would be insured through their employers over that same time frame because some people would choose not to get coverage and some employers would decline to offer it.

<sup>33</sup> Reese Saulter, Facebook (March 13, 2017), <https://www.facebook.com/1822292150/posts/10206377843444569/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

<sup>34</sup> Peter Sullivan & Jessie Hellmann, CBO: Millions Would Lose Coverage Under GOP Healthcare Plan, The Hill (Mar. 13, 2017), <https://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/323652-cbo-millions-would-lose-coverage-under-gop-healthcare-plan/>



This article shared by Vice President Reese shows how anti-Trump & Republican sentiment is embedded within the leadership of BMWED.

### ***Critical of the One Big Beautiful Bill***

BMWED was critical of the OBBB because rail workers weren't included in the "no tax on overtime" part of the bill.<sup>35</sup> BMWED in a statement said the following relating to the OBBB:<sup>36</sup>

The Senate Republican version of the "One Big Beautiful Bill (OBBB)" Act EXCLUDES rail workers from the "No Taxation on Overtime" section. And BMWED does not expect House Republicans to fix that section before sending the legislation to President Donald Trump to be signed into law.

The end result is that rail workers won't be covered by the "No Taxation on Overtime" section, even though President Trump promised that all workers would benefit from that provision. And rail workers are excluded because Senate and House Republicans chose not to include rail workers in that section, even though BMWED and the Teamsters requested that they do.

After the "One Big Beautiful Bill (OBBB)" Act is signed into law, BMWED will have to launch a future legislative campaign to fix the "No Taxation on Overtime" section so that rail workers, including BMWED members, can benefit.



<sup>35</sup> @BMWEDIBT (@BMWED\_IBT), X (Jul. 1, 2025), <https://x.com/BMWEDIBT/status/1940196579098718643?s=20>

<sup>36</sup> United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Division-International Brotherhood of Teamsters, *BMWED Legislative Department Responds to Rail Worker Exclusion from OBBB's "No Taxation on Overtime"* (July 1, 2025), <https://www.bmwed.org/secondary.aspx?id=1046>.



## Alliance with Anti-Trump Democrats

### *Congratulated Trump Critical Democratic Congresswoman Dina Titus*

BMW congratulated Congresswoman Dina Titus on her appointment as the next Ranking Member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Railroads, Pipelines, Hazardous Materials Subcommittee (“Rail Subcommittee”).<sup>37</sup>

Dina Titus, meanwhile, is a Democrat who has repeatedly criticized the Trump Administration on various issues such as economics<sup>38</sup>, immigration<sup>39</sup>, healthcare<sup>40</sup>, and more.



## Organizational Wokeness

### *Established Woke Diversity Committee*

Within BMW’s bylaws is a diversity committee, which reads as follows:<sup>41</sup>

WHEREAS, the BMWED Diversity Committee is a standing committee responsible for accomplishing the inclusion and diversity initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the BMWED Diversity Committee which actively works to involve all members, to increase opportunities for participation in all aspects of our Union, to fight the discrimination that weakens our Union; and

WHEREAS, in order to strengthen our cause and use our resources more efficiently and effectively to ensure that we create a powerful voice to advocate dignity and justice on the job, and to ensure that ideas, perspectives and involvement in policymaking and leadership roles by all members are encouraged, regardless of their race, age, ethnicity, culture, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, faith, or religion; and

<sup>37</sup> @bmwed\_ibt (@bmwed\_ibt), Instagram (January 16, 2025), <https://www.instagram.com/p/DE5d7UbvSjQj>

<sup>38</sup> Rep. Dina Titus, Congresswoman Dina Titus Statement on Presidential Address to Congress, Office of Rep. Dina Titus (March 4, 2025), at <https://titus.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=4741>

<sup>39</sup> Titus, Kihuen Urge Colleagues to Condemn Trump Immigration Order, Las Vegas Review-Journal (January 28, 2017), <https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/politics-and-government/titus-kihuen-urge-colleagues-to-condemn-trump-immigration-order/>

<sup>40</sup> Rep. Dina Titus, Rep. Titus Statement on House Vote on Continuing Resolution, Office of Rep. Dina Titus (November 12, 2025), at <https://titus.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=5828>.

<sup>41</sup> Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Division, BMWED Division Bylaws (Nov. 14, 2022), <https://www.bmwe.org/bylaws>



THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, at this Fifth National Division Convention of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters go on record to support the BMWED Diversity Committee; and

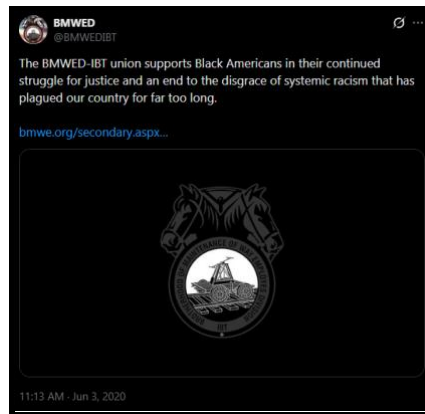
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BMWED Diversity Committee will continue to act as a standing committee, which meets quarterly and at the BMWED National Convention; and finally

BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to maintain a strong foundation, we must continue to be inclusive and protect the rights of members from all walks of life, and to bring awareness to issues affecting those who face persistent inequality and adversity resulting from discrimination, social stigma and stereotypes.

The resolution to establish this committee was revised and amended at a Las Vegas convention in 2022.

### ***Supported Black Lives Matter***

In 2020, in the aftermath of the George Floyd riots, BMWED pledged to “support Black Americans in their continued struggle for justice and an end to the disgrace of systemic racism”.<sup>42</sup>



### ***Support for Abortion***

In January of 2023, Dee Dunn of BMWED went on a roundtable discussion hosted by Dissent Magazine with the topic being *Dobbs* and organized labor.<sup>43</sup> In this appearance, Dunn says:<sup>44</sup>

<sup>42</sup> Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division-IBT (@BMWEDIBT), X (Jun. 3, 2020), <https://x.com/BMWEDIBT/status/1268199030338793472>

<sup>43</sup> Dissent Magazine (@DissentMag), X (Jan. 25, 2023), <https://x.com/DissentMag/status/1618273720208093184>

<sup>44</sup> *Reproductive Rights at the Bargaining Table*, Dissent Magazine, <https://dissentmagazine.org/article/reproductive-rights-at-the-bargaining-table/>



The fight for the right to abortion is part of a greater fight for reproductive and healthcare justice, which also includes the fight for single-payer healthcare, universal child care, a living wage, and affordable housing. All of these factors influence the ability of a working woman to raise a child or to decide not to go ahead with a pregnancy because the child cannot be adequately cared for.

Later, she further claims:

We live in a nation that fails to provide any economic support for the cost of raising children. This makes forcing women to bear children against their will even more of an outrage. The Supreme Court is bent on systematically destroying any rights that put even a miniscule amount of power in the hands of poor and working-class Americans. We have already seen attacks on unions by the court in the devastating Janus ruling. From chipping away our voting rights to the reversal on environmental protection, our very democracy is in a great jeopardy. As unionized workers, it falls to us to organize within our workplaces and within our union for reproductive and healthcare justice, and to stand up together for all the rights that we have fought so hard to gain.

This was endorsed by BMWWE through their sharing of the article on their X account.



BMWWE through its members and actions has showed itself to be adversarial to the Republican party, Donald Trump, and conservative principles in this country stepping out to support liberal orthodoxy in support of the Democrat allies on an issue that had nothing to do with railway issues.

