

July 17, 2025

UAW Public Review Board  
c/o UAW President Shawn Fain  
8000 E. Jefferson Ave.  
Detroit, MI 48214

SENT VIA FEDEX 7/17/25  
SENT VIA EMAIL 7/17/25

Dear President Fain and Public Review Board,

I, Frank Goeddeke, Jr., a retired member in good standing with UAW Local 653, filed a complaint in accordance with Article 32, Section 5(c) of our Constitution with our Public Review Board last week, July 10, 2025.

I am writing now to append that complaint by including an additional instance of the IEB holding votes via email without the opportunity for proper parliamentary procedure and member disclosure. I found this yesterday while reviewing the February 20, 2025 IEB meeting minutes at Solidarity House.

#### CHARGE 3: ADDITIONAL INSTANCE OF THE IEB HOLDING VOTES OFF THE RECORD VIA EMAIL

In the February 20, 2025 IEB meeting minutes, Director Miller on page 118 discusses the August 23, 2023 email sent by Secretary-Treasurer Mock to the entire board, proposing to liquidate all equities in the Strike Trust, anticipating a protracted Big 3 strike. On page 181 Compliance Director Schroeder said this proposal passed with the board poll.

This instance is very consequential, as apparently there was some misunderstanding regarding this proposal that passed, and this misunderstanding has led to press reports that "...UAW investment blunder cost the union an estimated \$80 million..." (<https://www.reuters.com/sustainability/uaw-investment-blunder-cost-union-an-estimated-80-million-documents-show-2025-06-23/>). Further, this misunderstanding has led to another federal Monitor investigation, which will cost the membership \$\$\$\$ in investigation and legal costs, possibly even criminal charges.

It is my belief that had parliamentary procedure been followed in a live meeting in 2023, IEB members would have had the opportunity to ask critical questions and perform due diligence. Indeed, a year and a half later, President Fain is quoted as saying in the February 20, 2025 IEB meeting (page 162, line 17):

"I mean, it's pretty evident by the conversation we've had in the last two days, nobody, including myself, on this board has an in-depth understanding of our finances or how our investments work."

President Fain also points out further down the same page (line 25):

"... this entire IEB, we're not doing our jobs, we're not doing our due diligence if we're not having a holistic understanding of our finances, of our investments."

And yet our President expects a “holistic understanding” of investments on a poll via email without live discussion? I just don’t see it.

Further, in an email poll like this, without knowing the IEB was even contemplating/acting on this topic, the membership is denied the opportunity to know about all this and engage with our elected representatives.

Thank you for your valuable time and attention in appending my original complaint of July 10, 2025. Please let me know if I can answer any questions or assist you in any way.

In Solidarity,

<electronically signed>

Frank Goeddeke  
Retired Member, UAW Local 653