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The Association of Minor League Umpires has voted to affiliate with the Office and Professional Employees International Union and will be based in New York City. OPEIU's Michael Goodwin.

[Goodwin]: "These umpires are very, very low paid. The salary ranges anywhere from \$9,000 a season to \$15,000 a season. They came to OPEIU because we offer expertise in bargaining. We can help them in collective bargaining in a renewal of their contract so they can get a better contract."