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Education Worker Bargaining Update

On September 11, OSSTF/FEESO met with representatives from the government and the Council of Trustees' Associations (CTA) at the Education Worker central bargaining table.

The parties had productive conversations, reviewing a number of items that were prioritized for further discussion. While the OSSTF/FEESO Membership is undertaking a vote on the tentative proposal that would resolve outstanding bargaining issues through potential binding interest arbitration, our hope is that bargaining will progress more quickly because of the added pressure.

OSSTF/FEESO members under the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act (SBCBA)* are voting on the proposal online between September 8 - 27, 2023. Visit the <u>Member Vote on Bargaining</u> <u>Pathway page</u> on the OSSTF/FEESO website for specific information about the proposal and your opportunity to vote.

OSSTF/FEESO leadership is confident this proposal is the best pathway to reaching a fair collective agreement for Members under the *SBCBA*. Provincial Office is hosting town halls and Member information meetings in Districts throughout the month of September to discuss this groundbreaking proposal and answer questions from the membership.

Participation in the town halls and/or Member information meetings is highly encouraged. Below are the dates and zoom links for the town halls:

- Monday, September 11 6:30 p.m. ET <u>https://osstf-</u> ca.zoom.us/j/86935950915?pwd=VIh6c21nSIIxeGs3SHh5RXNJbjJDUT09 (offered with simultaneous French translation)
- Saturday, September 23 1:00 p.m. ET <u>https://osstf-</u> ca.zoom.us/j/86935950915?pwd=Vlh6c21nSllxeGs3SHh5RXNJbjJDUT09 (offered with simultaneous French translation and ASL interpretation)

Members are strongly encouraged to have their voice heard through the online vote. To be able to participate in the vote using our online voting centre, you must be able to access the <u>Members-only section</u> of the provincial website. Participation in either the town halls or Member information meetings is not required to be able to vote.

Future Bargaining Dates

OSSTF/FEESO has confirmed the following central bargaining dates with the government:



September 12 – Teacher/Occasional Teacher September 26 – Education Worker September 29 – Teacher/Occasional Teacher

You can find general bargaining information on the <u>Bargaining 101 page</u> on the OSSTF/FEESO *Update* webpage as well as an <u>article on logging into myOSSTF</u> and ensuring your contact details are up to date.

The Bargaining Bulletins are now available on the *myOSSTF* section of the OSSTF/FEESO website. Please check *myOSSTF* for updates.

