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for OPSEU members working for the Ontario Dairy Herd Improvement Corporation



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Your work – Your contract Bargaining 2002

Bargaining: It Takes a Big Team!

You elected a bargaining team to represent you at the table in negotiations, and we will work hard on your behalf.

But a bargaining team is only as strong as the members it represents. If we are to make the gains you want, we need your support.

It's time for everyone to join the team in this round of bargaining.

Your delegates at the Final Demand Setting meeting will be the link between you and the bargaining team.

**GOOD COMMUNICATION IS A
CORNERSTONE TO OUR SUCCESS.**

Contact your local delegate or a member of the bargaining team with any questions or comments.

province attended, as well as our Negotiator, Ruth Hamilton.

Issues that were originally raised at the Local Demand Setting meetings (held in April) were thoroughly discussed. Debate was sometimes lively, but delegates were respectful of each other's opinions and agreement was eventually reached on a number of issues that will be taken to the bargaining table.

Unfortunately, we can't tell you here in writing what was agreed to at the meeting, since that would tip the Employer to our bargaining strategy. However, we encourage you to talk to your elected delegates.

We're now on the Web!

Check us out at www.opseu.org. Click on "BPS Sectors" at the upper left hand corner and go to "Ont. Dairy Herd".

Election Results:

Elections were held at the Final Demand Setting meeting for the Provincial Executive / Bargaining Team (5 members), the Employee Relations / Health and Safety Committee (4 members), and the Provincial Car Allowance Committee (2 members).

On Saturday June 1st, the Final Demand Setting meeting was held in Toronto. Twenty-six delegates from across the

To be elected, each candidate had to receive a majority, or more than 50 per cent, of the ballots cast. In other words, with 26 delegates voting, each candidate had to receive at least 14 votes to be elected.

Provincial Executive / Bargaining Team:

Trevor Fischer
Tim Lanigan
Colin Benson
Jane Kleist (Vice-Chair)
Don Littlejones (Chair)
Jim Booth (1st alternate)
Kim Harris (2nd alternate)

Employee Relations / Health & Safety

Committee:

Jane Kleist
Jim Booth
Don Littlejones (Chair)
Colin Benson
Rose Buitenhuis (1st alternate)
Sylvain Boudrian (2nd alternate)

Provincial Car Allowance Committee:

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