

Corrections Bargaining Update

Bargaining news from your OPSEU Corrections
Bargaining Team in the Ontario Public Service

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Agreement reached on dispute resolution

The Corrections Team reached an agreement with the employer this week on resolving disputes that may arise in the event that essential services are implemented.

The dispute protocol will be followed if either side has

an issue with essential service agreements that are only implemented in the event of a strike or lock out.

The Corrections Team was also busy touring institutions to get a first-hand view on changes that may affect

essential services. This week, the team visited Mimico C.C., Toronto Youth Assessment Centre and Maplehurst Complex. Toronto West D.C. is scheduled for next week.

Meet your management team!

Here's an introduction of the management members who are bargaining across the table from the Corrections Team:

Team Lead:

Tammy Browes-Bugden

Second:

Jamie Mask

Ministry representative:

Sari Albert

Ministry representative:

Anna Fernandes

Ministry representative:

Emilie Milloy

Ministry representative:

Don Poynter

Ministry representative:

Terry Rioux

Labour Relations analyst:

Al McNish

Suggestions pouring in

Members from across the province are stepping up to the challenge and sending in their suggestions for the official name for this bargaining update.

If you want to participate

in the "Name the Update" contest, please send your suggestions via e-mail to Don Ford at OPSEU Head Office (dford@opseu.org).

The contest closes this Monday, Oct. 1. Don't delay!

Return those questionnaires

As part of the process of contacting locals with respect to essential services, questionnaires were sent out to worksites in order for the team to gather needed information.

Locals are reminded to complete those questionnaires and return them to the Corrections Team by no later than Monday, Oct. 1.

Questionnaires should be faxed to (416) 815-1412.

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Rumours already spreading

Just three weeks into bargaining the rumours about contract offers are already spreading like wildfire throughout the corrections division. The most common one to date is that the government has offered a 12 per cent wage increase over three years. This, like all of the other rumours that are circulating, is completely false.

Don't let yourself get suckered in by those who claim they are "in the know." This update will provide real and timely information as the talks progress. If you don't read it here, the information you hear may be exaggerated or incorrect.

Stop the spread of rumours, and read here for the facts!

Your corrections team

Region 1: Jack Hopkins, L. 122

Region 2: Barry Scanlon, L. 230 (chair)

Region 3: Larry Cripps, L. 309

Region 4: Jim Bothwell, L. 467

Region 5: Dave Graves, L. 521 (vice-chair)

Region 6: Rick Dagenais, L. 642

Region 7: Len Mason, L. 737

You can reach the bargaining team at (416) 815-0284 or by e-mail at correctionsteam@opseu.org.

Corrections Bargaining Update is your only accurate source of Corrections Team information during this round of bargaining. If you don't read it here, you can't be sure it's true. Don't rely on gossip and rumours. We will provide the facts.

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