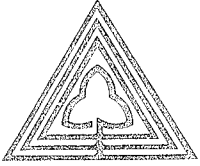


MEMORANDUM

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TO: All Presidents with members in the Ministry of Government Services
All Steward in the Ministry of Government Services

FROM: Brian Gould, OPS Supervisor/Negotiator

DATE: January 29, 2007

SUBJECT: **Ministry of Government Services
ERC Minutes – January 18, 2007**

Attached, for your information, are the minutes of the above captioned meeting.

Please post or otherwise make them available to the members in your workplaces.

Also attached is a MERC referral form which should be used when referring unresolved local issues to the ministry level. The referral should be sent care of the Job Security Unit with all the supporting documentation, (e.g. minutes, correspondence, etc.), with any referrals.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINISTRY MINUTES WERE PREPARED BY THE EMPLOYER.

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**Ministry of Government Services
MINISTRY EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMITTEE
JANUARY 18, 2007**

PRESENT:


<p>Management (CHAIR) Corbin Kerr Dave Slater Catherine Finlay Jane Lee Michael Villeneuve</p>	<p>Union (OPSEU) James Cushing Lynda Ferguson Sandra Snider Cheryl Rhodes Glenna Caldwell (JSO)</p>
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SUPPORT: Juanita Yarascavitch (Resource)

GUESTS: Bob Stewart
Vicki Charboneau

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Standing Items		
a. Service Ontario Update	Management reviewed recent organizational changes and agenda for Kick Off 2007.	OPSEU recommended extending an invite to Kick Off 2007 to the Co-Chairs.
b. I&IT Update	Management provided an update regarding the Enterprise Email initiative and the temporary use of an external vendor for EES backup monitoring for 6 months. OPSEU's position is that outsourcing should not occur.	Management will advise if the contract is extended.
c. Kingston Card Production Centre	MERC subcommittee met in late December. Both parties expressed interest in ensuring that employees receive feedback on competition process and in ensuring that employees on leave are kept up to date. Subcommittee is continuing to explore employment supports for KCPC employees.	Management will set up the next subcommittee meeting.
d. Electronic Registration update	Updated schedule was provided by email prior to meeting.	
e. Joint LERC Training Update	Joint LERC training sessions took place in Orillia and Kingston in January. MERC is working to set up new LERCs in St. Catharines, Guelph, and downtown Toronto (777 Bay St., 77 Grenville, 393 University, 20 Dundas etc).	

<p>1. Lists of LERCs and JHSCs</p> <p>g. Organizational Health and Wellness Update</p> <p>h. CWV</p> <p>i. Notifications</p>	<p>Updated lists of current LERCs and JHSCs were provided via email prior to the meeting. OPSEU requested to receive copies of available JHSC & LERC meeting minutes.</p> <p>Management provided an update on the MGS Flu Clinics, MGS Lunch & Learn Sessions and the AED Implementation Program. 12 AED units have been ordered to be installed at 6 MGS locations.</p> <p>OPSEU raised concerns regarding the lack of use of CWV agreements within Ontario Shared Services, which is inconsistent with other program areas in MGS. Management confirmed that they are not discouraging the use of CWV agreements and that this issue should be discussed at the local level.</p> <p>A chart of recent notifications was provided.</p>	<p>Dave Slater will report back at next meeting.</p>
<p>MGS Business Arising</p> <p>a. ORG Vacation Policy</p>	<p>Judi Hartman, Deputy Registrar General, ORG provided an update on the development of a new vacation policy for ORG staff. MERC would like to see this issue resolved in a favourable manner.</p>	<p>MERC Management will offer support to DRG.</p>
<p>New Business</p> <p>a. FFS use in MGS</p>	<p>OPSEU raised concerns regarding the use of FFS consultants in the workplace instead of employees.</p>	<p>Cheryl will send particulars to Corbin.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>May 24, 2007 September 27, 2007 December 13, 2007</p>	


Union Co-Chair


Management Co-Chair