



Central/Unified

No agreement yet...teams challenge employer to return to bargaining Jan. 2

On the last day of bargaining for 2012, the Central/Unified team is challenging the employer to return to table on Jan. 2 and continue bargaining issues for the next OPS collective agreement.

Last week, we were informed by the employer that if an agreement wasn't reached by Dec. 21, it was their intent to begin negotiating Essential/Emergency Services Agreements starting Jan. 2, 2013.

That said, we believe we can get to an agreement. While there are still major takeaways on the table, including the sick leave provisions, termination pay, surplus Factor 80 and the two-tier wage grid, there has been enough movement that we feel an agreement is possible.

For that to happen, two things must also occur. One, the employer must come back to the table on

Jan. 2 and bargain issues and, two, the employer has to be willing to bargain in good faith to get to an agreement. With the Liberal leadership convention taking place beginning Jan. 26, this would be in everyone's best interest.

If the employer fails to return to bargaining on Jan. 2, your team will then make decisions on how we proceed from that point forward.

Until then, we thank everyone for your questions, messages of solidarity and support. We wish you and your loved ones the very best for the holiday season.

In Solidarity,
The OPS Central/Unified Bargaining Team

Corrections

Corrections Team still at the table

As of the posting of the *Table Talk*, your Corrections Team is still at the bargaining table with the employer.

Please stay tuned to e-mail and social media feeds for updates as they become available.

In Solidarity,
The OPS Corrections Bargaining Team

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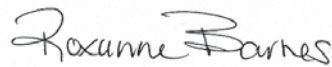
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