# REPORT BARGAINING



Saskatchewan Government and General Employees' Union

July 11, 2017

## **Health Provider Bargaining Unit**

#### Bargaining continues a under summer heat wave!

In this round of bargaining your SGEU Negotiating Committee met with Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations (SAHO) and the Employer on July 4-6 in Saskatoon to continue the process of bargaining a new collective agreement.

#### **Updates for this round include:**

- SGEU and SAHO/Employer have signed off on some of the articles changing The Trade Union Act to the new Saskatchewan Employment Act.
- SGEU's Letter of Understanding was re-signed and current language remains the same.
- We met with SAHO/Employer to hear their responses to guestions asked previously around their package.
- We continued discussions at our side tables on SGEU proposals. We maintained communications with our coalition partners CUPE and SEIU-West.
- Concessions and roll backs with monetary implications remains on the table.

#### Next steps:

- Next bargaining dates are set for July 25-27 in Regina.
- SAHO has asked for a comprehensive response to their proposal.

#### Member survey:

• We want to hear from you! Fill out this quick survey and let your bargaining team know what you think about the proposed 3.5% rollback and how it would affect vou.

### Other meetings:

- Your negotiating committee is meeting with the transition team and E-Health on July 12, 2017. The transition team is responsible for the transformation to the single provincial health authority.
- We received a response from government in regard to our proposed amendment to Bill 53 (the Provincial Health Authority Act) and Minister Reiter declined our offer to meet to discuss our proposed amendment to the Act.

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In solidarity,

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