



# NEGOTIATIONS NEWSLETTER #6

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## BARGAINING LOG JAM CALL FOR STRIKE VOTES IMPORTANT MEETING – FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>

After more than 5 weeks of bargaining at the provincial table, we have reached impasse on all our issues with the employer.

Management's position on salary and other issues is well below the prevailing standard in the public sector, and they say they are unable to improve it. Consequently, the Provincial Bargaining Committee has decided to put pressure on the government in order to improve the bargaining mandate of the Post Secondary Employers' Association (PSEA).

Therefore, as per the Article of Association, the Joint Bargaining Council (FPSE and BCGEU) has asked all participating locals to conduct strike votes as soon as possible.

As your VCCFA representatives on the Joint Bargaining Council, Frank Cosco and I have taken this to the VCCFA Executive and they have approved the following motion which will be put to members on February 15<sup>th</sup> for their support.

***That the VCCFA hold a strike vote***

As always, your input and opinion is very important to us. Please come out to this meeting and support us in our next step toward a fair and reasonable settlement.

**The February 15<sup>th</sup> vote is not a strike vote, but rather a vote to hold a strike vote.**

The committee will be providing an update on progress at the provincial and local tables.

The strike vote would be in late February preceded by an information meeting. Watch for details.

For your information, Joint Bargaining Bulletin #4 attached summarizes the situation.

Maggi Trebble, Chair, VCCFA Negotiating Committee

Please note change in location.

**GENERAL MEETING  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>  
CROATIAN CULTURAL CENTRE  
(16<sup>TH</sup> & COMMERCIAL)  
2:30 PM**

If you have any comments or questions please contact the committee by phone or email:

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