



# NEGOTIATIONS NEWSLETTER # 1

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**Date:** September 11, 2003  
**To:** VCCFA Members  
**From:** VCCFA Negotiating Committee  
**Re:** Negotiations Preparations

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves and tell you about our plans for the next round of collective bargaining.

The members of the VCCFA Negotiating Committee are:

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Our task is to negotiate a new collective agreement that is satisfactory to members. The current collective agreement expires on March 31, 2004. Notice to commence bargaining may be given by either party (the Union or the College) after December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003.

Your involvement and support is critical to our success. We would like to know your concerns and issues. **Please write your comments on the back of this page and send it to the VCCFA Negotiating Committee by September 30<sup>th</sup>.** In addition, feel free to offer your comments to any member of the Negotiating Committee at the locals/e-mail addresses listed above.

Over the next few months there will be opportunities for further input:

- Meetings with departments
- Drop-in sessions at City Centre and KEC. The first ones are on October 7<sup>th</sup> (details to follow)
- Discussion at General Meetings (the next meeting is on Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>)
- A detailed bargaining survey to be distributed later.

The information collected from the meetings and surveys will help us formulate a set of bargaining demands. These demands will be taken to the membership for ratification. If approved, they will form the basis of our position at the bargaining table.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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