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CUPE 728 Bargaining Bulletin

Progress at the bargaining table

Negotiations Update After 12 Days at the Table

Your CUPE 728 bargaining committee has now completed 12 full days of negotiations with SD36.

Our last update was intentionally light on specifics and more hopeful. That was because our early conversations with the employer focused on non-monetary priorities that were straightforward, and those initial discussions went relatively well.

Where Things Stand Now

Since then, our conversations have become more detailed, more challenging, and more revealing. As we moved into topics that affect our members more deeply, we are struggling to come to agreement.

- Protections for workers experiencing domestic violence
- More flexible vacation rules
- Embedding parental leave directly into the collective agreement
- Limits and protections around contracting out

We will continue to engage in a meaningful, solutions-focused way on these important issues.

What Comes Next

Once discussions on non-monetary items are fully exhausted, we will move into monetary negotiations. This portion may move more quickly, as monetary discussions are limited by the provincial framework.

We have six more bargaining days booked over the next three weeks, and we will continue to advocate strongly for the priorities our members have mandated.



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