



TOGETHER, EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE

OSBCC Bargaining Update 2012

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2012 is promising to be a busy year and your Bargaining Committee is already hard at work and committed to keeping you informed.

Carrying on the theme of “Together, everything is possible,” the OSBCC Bargaining Committee met in the first days of the new year to start preparing for the upcoming round of bargaining with the province.

We rolled up our sleeves and got to work on central bargaining items. Through discussion, we identified common concerns and came up with what we believe is a comprehensive list of central bargaining issues. This list will be brought forward at the OSBCC conference taking place at the end of this month. Delegates will get the opportunity to debate and vote on these issues and we encourage strong participation from members.

It is imperative that locals prepare themselves for bargaining at the local level. If you haven't already elected your local bargaining committee, we urge you to do so as soon as possible. Some locals use bargaining surveys to canvass members' opinions on what they would like to see raised at the bargaining table. If your local uses a bargaining survey, it should go out to the membership in the near future.

We are recommending that locals be prepared for local bargaining by the end of the March break. Being prepared early will show Boards and the Government that we are organized and ready to tackle this round of negotiations.

Together, everything is possible.

We thank you for your continued support.

In solidarity,

Your 2012 Bargaining Committee

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