



CUPE 703

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows SD #42

IMPORTANT BARGAINING UPDATE

We continue to work to resolve the 12-month custodian issue

The employer cut off bargaining after our July 5 session, saying they needed to “take a break.” Your local called a special meeting for July 13 to get direction from the membership on how to proceed.

At the special membership meeting we let members know that we met with the employer 17 times and still had one unresolved issue on the table – putting 12-month custodian language into the collective agreement.

Members advised us that they want to get the 12-month language or keep existing language as is.

Your union applied for mediation and had to wait for the employer to return from vacation. Since then your bargaining committee has had two meetings with the mediator – Thursday, August 15 and Tuesday, August 27 in an attempt to reach a settlement. We have another meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Friday, September 6.

We hope to reach a deal on Friday. Pending a positive outcome of Friday’s session, we will have a ratification meeting on Saturday, September 7 (*see attached notice*).

Please save the date Saturday, September 7 for this important meeting!

Check your email Friday night for a confirmation that the meeting will go ahead. Or, call our union office number 604-467-9295 after 6 PM on Friday evening to hear a recorded message about the meeting.

Here are the details if all goes as hoped and we hold a ratification meeting on Saturday.

Saturday, September 7, 2019

Sign in at 8:00 AM/ Meeting begins at 9:00 AM

Thomas Haney Secondary School (in the Rotunda)

23000 – 116 Avenue, Maple Ridge

Don’t forget to check your email or call the office at 604-467-9295 on Friday, September 6 (after 6 PM) for updated information.