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**OPSEU's ready.**



**The latest bargaining and  
mobilizing news for OPS members**

# **Bargaining Resumes Today**

**A message from your Central/Unified and Corrections Teams**

Last week, the President of OPSEU, Warren (Smokey) Thomas, announced that the union and the employer had agreed to return to the bargaining table. Today, the two sides reconvened to continue the bargaining process that the employer broke off early in the year.

With the resumption of negotiations comes a news blackout. This is to ensure that the bargaining is not derailed by outside interference. Stay tuned to *Table Talk* for official word on the outcome of the negotiations.

While the result of the talks remains to be seen, both the Central/Unified and the Corrections bargaining teams have expressed their sincere gratitude for the solid support they have received from the membership – and for members' efforts to bring the employer back to the table.

Thomas was also eager to express his appreciation. "I want to thank the bargaining teams for their efforts and determination to succeed, as well as our members, who've been patient and courageous in the face of possible job action.

"As we embark on the tough job of negotiating a collective agreement, we renew our pledge to do everything possible to arrive at a fair deal for the women and men who work hard to provide the excellent public services Ontarians need and deserve."

In solidarity,

Your Central/Unified and Corrections Bargaining Teams

**Stay informed,  
get involved, and show  
your solidarity.**

**Together, we will  
get a fair and decent  
contract.**

**Don't listen to rumours!**

*TableTalk Update* is your only official  
communication from the  
OPS Bargaining Teams.



## Your OPS Bargaining teams

### Central/Unified Team

Roxanne Barnes, Chair	CERC
Ron Langer, Vice-Chair	Region 1
Elaine Young	Region 2
Betty Marchegiano	Region 3
Dylan Lineger	Region 4
Dennis Wilson	Region 5
Beth Anich	Region 6
John Watson	Region 7
Mickey Riccardi	Administration
Glenna Caldwell	Corrections
Cindy Falcao	Institutional and Health Care
Tim Elphick	Office Administration
Johanne Bourgeois	Office Administration
John Berry	Oper. & Maintenance/Technical
Steve Anderson	Fixed Term
Ruth Hamilton	Staff Negotiator

### Corrections Team

John McLaren	Region 1
Jim Richards	Region 2
Gord Longhi, Vice-Chair	Region 3
Tom O'Neill, Chair	Region 4
Monte Vieselmeyer	Region 5
Scott McIntyre	Region 6
Barb Friday	Region 7
Anastasios Zafiriadis	Staff Negotiator

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**Roxanne Barnes, Chair**  
Central/Unified Team

**Tom O'Neill, Chair**  
Corrections Team

**Warren (Smokey) Thomas**  
President

**Keep  
up the  
good  
work!**

**We appreciate  
all your support  
and urge you to  
continue.**