Bi-Ministry Employee Relations Committee (BMERC) MEETING

December 6, 2019 5757 Coopers Avenue, Mississauga

In Attendance

For the Union	For the Employer	Guests	Regrets
Chris Jackel	Mike Mously		
Sandra Harper	Renu Kulendran		
Chad Oldfield	Jennifer Price	N/A	Laura McCready
Pete Harding	Suzanne McGurn		
Michael Fallon	Paul Wheeler		
	Mark Mikoluff		
	Melissa Vaz	* *	

Date Tabled	Continuing Business	Referred to	Action
July 30, 2019	Signing of BMERC Terms of Reference (from July 30, 2019)	Joint	To be signed by both parties.
July 30, 2019	Presentation on COR Interest Arbitration Award/Agreement – Status of Implementation Employer provided an update on outstanding implementation items.	N/A	Ongoing

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	Classification System Committee – Appendix 34 OPSEU raised a question dealing with individual classification grievances given the current moratorium.		
July 30, 2019	The Employer responded that the matter should not be dealt with at a Bi-Ministry level. OPSEU inquired about the activation of the committee under Appendix 34.	Employer/Union	Remove item from the BMERC Agenda.
	The Employer responded that the work has been completed and there is no need for a classification committee at this time.		
* 8	Request for Information – Attendance Management Program – May 31, 2019		
July 30, 2019	OPSEU requested an update on the status of the RFI.	Employer	Employer to provide updates as they become available.
	The Employer advised that the Ministry is still in the process of reviewing the submissions.	*	

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December 6, 2019	Retroactive lump-sum payments: Requirement for completion of T1198 tax form OPSEU inquired whether the Employer has an obligation to provide the T1198 tax form for retroadjustments in 2018. The parties discussed the obligations for a T1198 and there are ongoing discussions with OSS to move forward with this request. OPSEU advised that resolving this matter prior to the April tax deadline would be helpful for members.	Employer	Employer to follow-up prior to the next meeting.
December 6, 2019	Dependent and Elder-Related Care: Consideration of extending these provisions to OPSEU Corrections OPSEU requested consideration for extending dependent and elder-related care leave entitlements to the Correctional Bargaining Unit. The Employer's position is that this would typically be dealt with during bargaining.	Employer	Remove from agenda.
December 6, 2019	BMERC Referral: Provincial Overtime Protocol (POP)	Employer	Employer to share information on the Youth Justice POP the week of December 9, 2019.

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	OPSEU advised that the current SolGen (COR) Provincial Overtime Protocol agreement includes an issue of interpretation.		
	The Employer advised that this matter is specific to SolGen (COR) and should be referred to the Ministry level committee.		
	Parties to review the Youth Justice POP and determine if it's helpful to this discussion.		
	BMERC Referral: WDHP Review Process		
	OPSEU inquired to be involved in the WDHP Review process given that the Corrections bargaining unit has an interest in the process.		
December 6, 2019	The Employer acknowledges OPSEU's request and advised that an update was provided at the November 14, 2019, MBA meeting. The program area is currently in the RFB process.	Employer	Ongoing
	OPSEU requested for a further update once the RFB process concludes.	.x771	

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December 6, 2019	BMERC Joint File Review Parties reviewed 10 grievances and the parties agreed to draft Memorandum of Settlements for 5 grievances and refer 1 grievance for a decision.	Joint	Employer to draft MOSs for OPSEU's review prior to the next scheduled meeting.
December 6, 2019	Toronto South Cultural Review SolGen (COR) provided an update on the outcome of the audit.	Employer	Remove from agenda.
December 6, 2019	Schedule future meetings February 14, 2020 from 10:00am to 1:00pm (OPSEU's location) April 21, 2020 from 10:00am to 1:00pm (Employer's location) June 11, 2020 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm (Employer's location) August 26, 2020 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm (OPSEU's location) October 14, 2020 from 10:00am to 1:00pm (Employer's location)	Joint	

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	December 14, 2020 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm (OPSEU's location)		
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For the Employer:

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