

Local 1190 releases strong strike vote results, it's time for Higgs to drop concessions on CUPE

Today, CUPE Local 1190 (General Labour & Trades) counted their strike vote ballots. Here are the results:

- CUPE Local 1190: 1448 members voted, 95% voted yes

All ten CUPE locals part of the Centralized Bargaining Team have completed their strike vote results. Members of CUPE Local 1190, 1251, 1252, 1253, 1418, 1840, 1866, 2745, 5017 and 5026 have made it very clear that the status quo is unacceptable, with strike vote results between 83% to 98% in favour of strike action.

Members: notice of future developments will come from your local executive. Please verify that your executives have your personal email address and phone number, and attend your local meetings.

It is apparent that the government's claim that there are limited funds in the provincial budget for public sector workers are wearing thin. The province is weeks late providing a fiscal update, and an economist has roughly calculated that the province is in a surplus position. Your centralized bargaining team is aware that other public sector unions have reached tentative agreements with the province. Unlike CUPE, those unions have not faced concessions in recent weeks. We are more than prepared to roll up our sleeves and bargain, but the same courtesy of non-concessionary bargaining should be extended to the lowest paid workers of the public service.

In solidarity,

The CUPE Centralized Bargaining Team



BARGAINING FORWARD