

URGENT UPDATE FOR PSAC MEMBERS



NO TO CONCESSIONS / TELEPHONE TOWNHALL / INFO SESSIONS / MORE...

*Don't miss the
telephone townhall
on sick leave!!!*

Wednesday, April 30
7:30 p.m. (MB) / 6:30 p.m. (AB/SK)
A live and interactive telephone
town hall to get information on
important bargaining issues that
may affect you, including sick leave.
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*Say no to
Concessions*

Treasury Board is pushing
concessions for government
employees. Any concession
they take is a threat to the
rights and benefits of all union
members and will undoubtedly
set trends for future bargaining.
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**Multi-local
union visits
coming up**

These member meetings will be
an opportunity to speak up and
get involved in protecting what
you have. Read more... (over)

**REMINDER
UPDATE CONTACT
INFO WITH UNION**

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services, attacks on unions
and upcoming bargaining,
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updated contact information for
members to share important
updates. Read more... (over)

SAY NO TO CONCESSIONS

With more than 200,000 employees, Treasury Board is one of Canada's largest employers. Bargaining with Treasury Board sets trends for every other employer across Canada.

This means that bargaining with the 62,301 federal public service workers employed by separate agencies, including Canada Revenue Agency, Canadian Food Inspection Agency, and Parks

Canada Agency, will be influenced by any concessions taken with Treasury Board.

Likewise, members from other separate employers, such as those PSAC members working for post secondary institutions, provincial healthcare providers, airports, and casinos are sure to feel the pressure of concessions.

Employers of all stripes are determined to cut costs and balance their books on the backs of their hardworking employees. When Treasury Board goes after their employees negotiated sick

leave, all workers in Canada are at risk. Any concession is a threat to our hard-earned rights and benefits. In other words, we are all affected by concession bargaining.

To ensure our members have the facts and understand how this will impact their work and rights, PSAC Prairie Region is holding a live and interactive telephone town hall on Wednesday, April 30, 2014.

The town hall will focus on Treasury Board issues, but all members are welcome and encouraged to participate.

18.26

Tony Clement claims the average federal employee takes 18.26 sick days per year, but has never explained how he got this number.

11.52

The Parliamentary Budget Officer found that the actual average number of paid sick days taken is 11.52.

1.1

According to the PBO the difference between public and private sector sick leave usage is actually only 1.1 days.

MULTI-LOCAL MEETINGS

PSAC will hold multi-local meetings at regional offices throughout May and June to provide information on collective bargaining and strategies.

While the meetings will focus on Treasury Board, all members from all employers are invited to attend and share ideas for what we can do together to combat concessions and cuts to public services. We are also planning future meetings for Agencies and separate employers.

For members outside of the regional office areas, we will host an online webinar to deliver the

same messaging and allow for a two-way conversation. We will also be using the webinar format to reach members across the region on an ongoing basis. These webinars will provide educational opportunities on important issues and ensure we maintain the momentum from our meetings throughout bargaining and into the 2015 federal election.

Members tell us they are interested in engaging with their union, but need it to be accessible and convenient. Webinars and telephone town halls suit these needs and allow us to reach more members throughout the Prairies.

For specific dates and more information, visit www.notbackingdown.com.

UPDATE OUR ADDRESS BOOK

With the ongoing cuts to public services, attacks on unions and upcoming bargaining, it's imperative that we have updated contact information for all of our members to allow us to share important updates that impact your jobs and your lives.

Talk to your Local Executive or Shop Steward about the One-to-One membership campaign. Make sure you fill out a card with your updated contact information. Additionally, you can create an account in the PSAC website member portal and update your information at psacunion.ca.



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