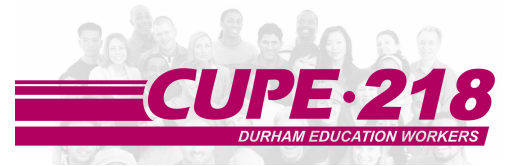




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Members' bulletin

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Highlights

Bargaining outlook

As you will know from the recent bargaining bulletin, CUPE requested the appointment of a conciliator from the Ministry of Labour following the response, by the Council of Trustees' Associations and the Crown, to CUPE's bargaining proposal. The proposals contained deep concessions beyond the status quo and would have very negative consequences for the services we provide in schools.

We hope the assistance of a conciliation officer will assist the parties in narrowing the issues at the central table when we meet next on August 14, 15, 20 and 21.

Strike votes

- OSBCU and CUPE's recommendation is for locals to take central and local strike votes at the same time, even if you haven't started local bargaining with your school board.
- Strike votes and strike mandate votes are essentially the same thing.
- Getting a strong strike vote for both central and local bargaining is both a show of solidarity and lets the employer know that your members are ready to take job action. This is important centrally but is important for local tables as well, even if local bargaining has not yet begun.
- CUPE Local 218 strike vote will be held Sunday, September 15, 2019 at 7 p.m. at Tosco Banquet Hall, 800 Champlain Ave, Oshawa

Political action

Political pressure on decision makers will help to protect quality public education and jobs for education workers.

CUPE locals and members are urged to:

1. Join with parents' groups, students' associations and other community groups
2. Contact their MPPs and let them know that funding cuts are hurting students.