

BARGAINING UPDATE #1

June 1, 2010

The Bargaining Team has been meeting regularly to draft proposals for the beginning of negotiations, which will commence in the latter part of June. At present, the Administration team has agreed to two meetings in June, and a week of daily meetings in late August. We have proposed additional June meetings and a commitment to frequent meetings over a three week period in August to ensure timely completion of a new agreement. We've also suggested that two days a week in the fall term be reserved for bargaining. We anticipate the Administration team response to that proposal in early June.

Your Faculty Association bargaining team are: Michael MacMillan (Chief), Susan Drain, Robert Farmer, Peter Mombourquette and Meg Raven. We recently were advised that the membership of the Administration bargaining team is now complete. The members are: Brian Jessop (Chief), Sharon Davis, Janice Gaudet, Chris Hattie and Brook Taylor. With that completion, we look forward to speedier progress toward table talks.

The Bargaining Team met with the FA Executive last week to present our package of bargaining priorities and proposals developed to date. Those priorities are solidly based on the issues which emerged from the member survey and our open meetings. The Executive strongly endorses the direction of these efforts, having noted that it reflects the broad range of concerns of the membership.

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Michael MacMillan
For the Bargaining Team