

Ratification Vote runs September 16 & 17



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Teachers'

Bulletin

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Jo Dean, OSSTF Executive New District 20 Liaison

District 20 welcomes the appointment of Jo Dean as the Provincial representative in Halton.



Jo Dean was elected at AMPA 2013 to the Provincial Executive as one of three Executive Officers. Her current term will run until 2017.

Jo was born and raised in London, Ontario and graduated from the University of Western Ontario in 1986 with a Bachelor of Education.

She has been teaching for 26 years in the Greater Essex County District School Board in the areas of Special Education and Technological Studies.

Jo was the District and Teacher Bargaining Unit President of District 9 – Greater Essex for two years, as well as a Chief Negotiator for five years, as well as a Provincial Councillor. She has also been a member of the provincial Collective Bargaining Committee and Certification Council. Jo and her husband Karl Dean enjoy spending time with their five children.

Halton Secondary Teachers Information Meeting

Monday September 14th

Refreshments 4:30 to 5:00 p.m. Meeting Starts at 5:00 p.m.

Keynote Speakers: Jo Dean, OSSTF Executive Officer
Chris Goodsir, Protective Services

UNIFOR Galaxy Club, 475 North Service Rd E, Oakville, ON

Central Deal must be ratified

Details of the tentative agreement between OSSTF/FEESO, the Ontario Public School Boards Association (OPSBA) and the Crown have been posted on the Members Only section of the OSSTF website.

On August 21, 2015 local Teacher Presidents and Chief Negotiators voted to endorse the tentative agreement and recommend it for ratification. As a result of this vote, all central strike action (i.e. extra-curricular activities) has been suspended pending ratification of the agreement.

Halton Secondary Teacher Ratification

- **Information Meeting:** Monday September 14 @ 5 pm, UNIFOR 707 Galaxy Club Oakville
- **In-school Ratification Vote:** Wednesday September 16th, Thursday September 17th
- **Results:** reported to OSSTF Provincial, Friday September 18th

Administrative Sanctions continue No Local Deal in Halton!

On Thursday, May 21, Teachers and Occasional Teachers of District 20, Halton, began an administrative work to rule to attempt to expedite local negotiations. This is a legal action under the School Boards Collective Bargaining Act.

There has been no negotiated agreement between the Halton District School Board and OSSTF District 20 Teachers.

These Administrative Sanctions were outlined in the local CBC Bulletin sent to members August 24, 2015.

OSSTF/FEESO Moosonee Teachers first to ratify local negotiated deal

The Teacher/Occasional Teacher bargaining unit of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF/FEESO) District 1, Ontario North East in Moosonee, is pleased to have ratified a local collective agreement with the James Bay Lowlands Secondary School Board. This is the first freely negotiated local agreement under the new *School Boards Collective*

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Maternity/Parenting Workshop

Thursday October 5, 2015

4:30 PM

OSSTF District 20 Office

3410 South Service

Burlington ON

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Bargaining Act and should serve as model for future negotiations and cooperation between local Bargaining Units and school board employers across the province.

"OSSTF/FEESO congratulates our local Bargaining Unit and the employer on reaching this agreement expeditiously and without rancour. We hope the remaining school boards in Ontario that employ OSSTF/FEESO members show the same interest in sitting down at bargaining tables and moving efficiently to new local agreements that respect teachers' contributions to high quality, publicly funded education," said Harvey Bischof, OSSTF/FEESO Vice President and Chair of the bargaining team.

Health and Safety Committee rolls out School Rep Training

Health and Safety Level 1 and 2

Starting Wednesday September 30 at our office. At this time we have 17 workers enrolled in the thirty hour course which will run for five evenings in the fall and five evenings in the winter. The course is a basic introduction to WSIB and gives the attending members tools to deal with assisting member in the claims process.

Eastern Ontario Fall Labour School

The fall labour school takes place during November in Picton. We have enrolled ten of our Health and Safety Representatives to the fall labour school.

The five day school offers courses in health and safety and WSIB issues. This is the largest group that our bargaining unit has sent to the labour school.



Burlington Central Staff show their support for Denim and White Solidarity Fridays during May and June.

Timetabling Look-Fors:

As timetables for September are firmed up, Branch Presidents and teachers should be aware of the following Article 18 workload provisions:

1. COMBINED CREDIT CLASSES:

Assignment to a stacked class (i.e. a class in which more than one credit programme is being delivered within a period) requires the agreement of the teacher. Hence, school admin should be actively seeking this agreement when such assignments are made and before they are finalized.

2. THREE PERIODS IN A ROW:

Similarly, assignment to a timetable requiring a teacher to teach three periods in a row requires the agreement of the teacher. Again, admin should be actively seeking this agreement when such assignments are made and before they are finalized.

3. LUNCH and PREP:

Every teacher's timetable should indicate a lunch period and a prep period, as well as instructional periods. The lunch period cannot be the first or last period of the school day.

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