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To: City of Edmonton CSU 52 Members

From: Negotiations Committee for the City of Edmonton Contractual Unit

RE: Negotiations Communiqué

Let's Recap

Our last communiqué was on June 22, 2011. At that time we had met with the City at the negotiations table for 2 full days and 5 half days. We had resolved some non monetary issues and housekeeping issues from both the Union and the City proposals. We had also begun discussing some monetary issues.

Since our last Communiqué

We met for a full day on June 28, 2011, and then had a lapse of time due to vacation schedules. We were able to reconvene for a full day on August 10th followed by half day meetings on August 16th and August 29th. During these dates we have discussed all monetary issues including health benefits and salary increases. At this time the City and the Union are apart on what we believe would be a fair and reasonable settlement.

At our last meeting on August 21, 2011, the City agreed with our committee to invite their benefit experts to meet with our Health Benefit Consultant, Chris Morris, at our next scheduled negotiation meeting on September 16th.

We hope that by working together with the experts we may arrive to some common understanding of benefit costing and perhaps some creative ways to provide additional benefits to our members.

We would like to remind everyone that members require a blue membership card to vote on a tentative agreement. Contact the Union office at (780) 448-8900 or info@csu52.org to obtain a new or replacement card.

Please be advised that communiqué as well as updates given at General and Executive meetings are posted on Union website at www.csu52.org.

Thank you for your on-going support.

In solidarity,

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