

OPEIU Local 8

Contract Update

For Trade Section Employees

March 29, 2019



TO: Bargaining Unit Members of the Trade Section

FROM: Suzanne Mode, OPEIU Local 8 Business Manager

Contract bargaining of the Trade Section Master Agreement is getting off to a late start. I needed to take a few weeks of family leave in February and early March to care for my sister. Upon my return, there was some confusion over meeting dates and locations – but all is well. Our first session is Monday, April 1. No fooling.

In the meantime, your contract has been extended through May 31. Please know that all terms and conditions remain in effect until that date unless we reach a “Tentative Agreement.” Once there is a settlement, we’ll hold a bargaining unit meeting to review and vote on the new terms and conditions offered. A majority of those voting will decide.

The OPEIU Local 8 Bargaining Team includes **Christine Landon with AFT Washington**, **Jessie Newland with IBEW Local 46** and **Betsy Thew with IBEW Local 77**. Employers are being represented by, Karlena Allbery with IBEW Local 46, James To with AFT Washington, Clay Tschillard with the Puget Sound Electrical Apprenticeship and Lou Walter with IBEW Local 77.

Any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact me at 206-441-8880 ext. 101 or by email: suzanne@opeiu8.org. Otherwise I’ll keep you posted.