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*For Trade Section Employees*

April 6, 2023

## CONTRACT UPDATE

After two more bargaining sessions, we were unable to reach a settlement of the Trade Section Master Agreement.

Three outstanding issues remain in the way of a settlement:

-  Annual wage increases
-  Adding Juneteenth as a holiday
-  Contract duration

We have a session scheduled for next week – **Thursday, April 13**. Hopefully we'll reach a fair and ratifiable settlement. In the meantime, our contract has been extended through **Monday, April 17**.

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The OPEIU Local 8 Bargaining Team includes **Joel Klineburger with ATU Local 587, Jessie Newland with IBEW Local 46, Anna Woodard with Laborers Local 242** and **Denise Thom with the Sprinkler Fitters Local 699**. The Employers are represented by MLK Labor, IBEW Local 46, Ironworkers, Sprinkler Fitters and the Washington State Labor Council (WSLC).

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



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