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*For Local 8 Members at Washington Federation of State Employees*

September 13, 2024

## **Contract Negotiations**

Your elected Bargaining Team is preparing for our upcoming negotiations. We are meeting regularly to prepare proposals and changes to your current Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Your Bargaining Team Members are:

Thomas Wray

Michael Abate

Samuel Kirk

Pam Carl

Teresa Green

Jose Garcia

Ben Peterson

Conor Meara – OPEIU Union Representative

Angie Wedekind – OPEIU Union Representative

We are currently recruiting for the Contract Action Team (CAT). We need Bargaining Unit members from all classifications, locations, and experience levels to serve on this team. The CAT aids the bargaining team in collective actions, sharing information, and providing informational resources during this time of preparations and during the negotiations themselves. While the CAT is not present in our bargaining sessions, they are extremely important in the bargaining process. If you are interested in taking

a role in the CAT please contact one of the Bargaining Team members to get signed up.

In October we will have in person meetings at your various locations along with a Zoom meeting to go over the bargaining priorities and potential proposals. At this time, we will share our concepts and confirm that we are meeting the needs of the group as a whole and receive your feedback and suggestions. Locations and meeting dates TBA.

***Please contact Angie Wedekind at 509-306-0586 or email [angie@opeiu8.org](mailto:angie@opeiu8.org), or Conor Meara at 206-441-8800 x 130 or [conor@opeiu8.org](mailto:conor@opeiu8.org) if you have any questions.***



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