

## **Bargaining Update #4**

Dear

Yesterday your NTEU Bargaining Team commenced bargaining with University management. Overall, it was an amicable meeting and we were pleased to note that P&C expressed a strong commitment to expediting the negotiations. Given how long it took to complete negotiations on the last agreement, this is welcome news indeed!

This meeting was largely administrative - dealing with the establishment of reasonable protocols and resourcing for bargaining.

Some of the in-principle agreements included:

- Bargaining Schedule: Bargaining teams will meet monthly and, where required, we will complete drafting between / prior to meetings.
- Location of meetings: Face-to-face bargaining meetings will take place on different campuses to enable the engagement of all University staff.
- Negotiating procedures: we established administration and information protocols
- Time release: University management will provide adequate time-release for members of the NTEU Bargaining Team to participate in bargaining
- Our next bargaining meeting will be on January 19th 2023.

Next bargaining meeting agenda:

- Enterprise Agreement repair
- Schedule of bargaining [prioritised and based on our Log of Claims document].

Following each meeting the NTEU will be in communication with members as soon as possible. If you have any questions about bargaining please get touch with the UNDA Branch Committee at unda@nteu.org.au

We need your help to get the word out to your non-member colleagues about the NTEU and our role in bargaining as your representatives - so please forward this email on to all your colleagues who you think aren't yet members of the NTEU.

If you're reading this and you're not already an NTEU member, please consider **joining** so we can all stand together and push to get the best pay and conditions for staff in this round of bargaining. It's a numbers game! The more members we have, the stronger we will be at the bargaining table.

In solidarity,

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