



Dear Colleagues,

As promised, we are keeping you apprised of the status of the negotiations after each meeting. At the same time, we want to invite you to a town hall meeting – echoing similar requests we received by email or read on CUFORUM. Lastly, we want to thank those who have already volunteered for the strike committee. But one thing at a time – in the order listed above:

1) We resumed yesterday the discussion around monetary demands with the Employer. The meeting focused on finding “creative” solutions for what we are asking . They seem to be listening to our points, but we have yet to see a significant move on their side. The next meeting is scheduled for Sept 11, after which there will be a longer break until Sept 27. At the upcoming town hall, we will reveal more details about the interactions at these first two meetings.

2) On Wednesday, September 20, at 10:00 we plan to organize a [town hall meeting via Zoom](#). The purpose is to bring clarity about the strategy on the negotiations and to allow members across departments to interact on the topic (in addition to the department visits CUFA already has on the agenda for the next couple of weeks). By that time, we hope to have more facts on organizing and mobilizing for the strike mandate.

3) We asked CAUT for support on organizing and mobilizing for various job actions. I encourage more volunteers to step forward and show solidarity. It is particularly important that we send a strong message to the Employer and demonstrate how ready we are to act.

In solidarity,
on behalf of CUFA Executive and Nego Team

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