REPORT ON BARGAINING

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After seven days of bargaining a tentative agreement was reached between SIAST and the Academic Negotiating Committee on February 21, 2007. The full text of the settlement offer (Memorandum of Agreement) is posted on the web at www.acad.sgeu.org. All members are encouraged to examine it in advance of our ratification meetings. The schedule of these meetings is listed below.

Here are some highlights of the agreement.

Wages
Economic increase as follows:

- 3.5% as of July 1, 2006,
- 4.0% as of July 1, 2007
- 4.5 % as of July 1, 2008

Long service
15 year Long Service increment of 5% on base – effective July 1, 2007

Signing Bonus
$1000.00 – prorated

Stipend
Increase as follows:

- 5% effective July 1, 2006
- 5% effective July 1, 2007
- 5% effective July 1, 2008

Pension
A slight pension increase of 0.34% effective April 1, 2007 for all employees into the new plan.

Ratification process
Having achieved a tentative agreement, the next step is for the membership to review the settlement proposal and determine whether it is acceptable or not. Full details of the package will be presented and discussed at membership meetings on each campus, to be followed by a vote.

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Please be sure to attend your membership meeting:

Kelsey	March 19	12:00 noon– 1:00 p.m.
Woodland	March 20	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wascana	March 21	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Palliser	March 22	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

In solidarity,

SIAST Academic Negotiating Committee
Jim Steele, Chairperson
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