

Oregon AFSCME Local 189

BARGAINING UPDATE 5

After a month long break from the bargaining table negotiations resumed on August 6th. We started the day by delivering our petition, signed by an overwhelming majority of the bargaining unit, to management. Over the last month the Bargaining Team has been working hard to consolidate information from the many “side letters” in the back of the contract. We presented three Addendums with this information - one for Parking Enforcement, which included a proposal to restore their breaks language after their incredible and compelling testimony, one for PPB and one for Water, which included several additional proposals. We also presented several other proposals that would move language from side letters to our contract, and one new proposal which would protect our work from being performed by Supervisors or Volunteers. See it all online on our website, www.afscme189.org

Management responded by bringing zero responses to any of our proposals.

Management’s lack of response sends the message that they are not taking us seriously, which makes your participation that much more important. The following day, over 40 members went to City Council to deliver the same petition with the message to invest in our contract, and to give the next City Council the gift of labor peace. AFSCME 189 members are the one constant in a changing government, and Portlanders deserve a safe city to live, work and play - guaranteed by our work.

Thank you again to PBOT and PPB members for sharing their stories at bargaining and to our leaders who testified at Council, President Rob Martineau, Bargaining Team member Stephanie Romine, Organizer Alex Pierro and Chapter Chair/MAT Captain Chuck Barnes.



Members in Action!
Delivering our Petition to City Council

What's Next?
Join Us for a Fair Contract Fair
Saturday August 24th
12-3
Taborspace, 5441 SE Belmont
Food, Fun, Kids Bounce house!

Questions? Reach out to Bargaining or MAT members or Council Representative Karly Edwards

