
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING 2010-02

As of February 26, 2010

The Bargaining Team (BT), the Contract Committee (CC) and the CAW National Representative met with the company during the week of February 22 to start the next round of collective bargaining for our next collective agreement. The BT and CC was focused on bringing forward the summation of the bargaining demands submitted by our members.

These opening discussions dealt primarily with the formal presentation of demands both from the Local and the company. Productive discussions were had to ensure both sides understood exactly what either side was asking for. This allowed the CC their first opportunity to experience some of the idiosyncrasies that bargaining entails.

Presentations were given to the Local about the Company's financial state and a report on the National Seniority Bid. At the request of the Local, Mr. Bill Murnighan from the CAW Pension and Research department provided the local with a presentation on the Nav Canada Pension Plan and a report on the Aviation Industry as a whole, both nationally and globally.

A few minor items, mostly of an editorial nature were discussed and agreed upon. As with any round of collective bargaining, it is the norm for both the company and the union to limit the actual details of what is agreed to until the bargaining process is completed. We are still some distance from a complete agreement.

If you require further clarification or have questions about this past week, you are strongly encouraged to contact your respective Contract Committee representative or your regional VP.

The Executive summary of the Local's list of demands and Nav Canada's list of interests has been posted on the website. Non-confidential information will be posted on the website as it becomes available.

The next set of meetings is tentatively scheduled for the week of March 29th.

The Bargaining Committee, ATS Local 2245 CAW