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WILL THE SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSET EVER BE ELIMINATED?

NEA Director Margie Granado (MTA) has reported on the progress of the elimination of the Social Security offset for STRS recipients.

There is good news and bad news on the Government Pension Offset (GPO) and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP). The good news is that there are now 323 co-sponsors in the House and 29 co-sponsors in the Senate signed on to repeal legislation. This means that there should be plenty of support for the repeal. The bad news is that the legislation has yet to go forward for a vote on the floor of Congress. With the current Congressional session set to end soon, it is unlikely that a vote will be held during this session. When the 110th Congress convenes in January, NEA will have to start the legislative process again from the beginning.

BARGAINING UPDATE

Negotiations continue. The team (pictured right) continues to bargain Article XII. Wages.

Once negotiations are settled ratification information will go to each site. The package will include all changes in contract language and voting information.



Standing: Marcia Ugalde (FPA), Chairperson Terry SalasOrtiz (CCE), Executive Director Kathy Kohn, & Elizabeth Gasca (RPE). Seated: Clarissa Banda (SHS) & Walt Lowery (MAI)

Reminder

Phone banking begins Monday, October 30 at the MTA office!

You Are Entitled To A 30-Minute Duty-Free Lunch

A minimum of thirty minutes duty-free lunch shall be provided each day including rainy day schedule (MUSD-MTA Contract Article IV. Section H. page 5.)

No meetings or activities may be scheduled during bargaining unit members' thirty minute duty-free lunch time. If a meeting is scheduled during lunch and following the thirty minutes duty-free time, that time is considered meeting minutes within the board day.

Contact a Building Rep or the MTA office if you believe the thirty minute duty-free lunch right and law is being violated.

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Bell Gardens Intermediate Faculty Club Chairpersons Andy Shinn, Cici Ramirez, and Horacio Perez discuss site expectations for the second quarter. President Margie Granado (second from left) offers her continued support.