

C.B.E STAFF ASSOCIATION - June 2006

Frequently

Asked

Questions

When you read this FAQ you will have already received your salary increase. The difference in your hourly wage should have been reflected on your June 9, 2006 pay stub. Also, your retro pay should be deposited into your account by June 16, 2006.

“Enjoy, you deserve every penny you have earned”

As stated in the Memorandum of Agreement CBE is currently paying 80% of your Alberta Health & Wellness, effective September 1, 2006 CBE will be paying 100%.

Health Spending Account

The Health Spending Account went into effect June 1, 2006 with forms not to be submitted until after June 15, 2006 as Sunlife requires time to set up the accounts. The forms are located on the CBE website, www.cbe.ab.ca, under Employment then Benefits. At this time any purchases that have been made prior to June 1, 2006 will not be covered under the Health Spending Account however, retain all receipts from January 1, 2006.

If you already have benefits you would complete the Claim Form as usual and if you are claiming more than the regular benefits and you would like to access your Health Spending Account you must check off the appropriate box under the heading “Heath Spending Account”. Your Health Spending Account is based on your Full Time Equivalency.

Board of Directors

The Staff Association has lost three of their very valuable Directors and we will miss them all very much. They have each brought their own uniqueness to the Board and like I said we will miss all their ideas and input. Therefore, at the beginning of September we will be looking for volunteers to fill these positions on our Board of Directors.

If you are interested or would like further information please contact Jean Minifie, Chairperson @ 242-7555 or jvminifie@staffassociation.ca

Office Renovations

Watch for the notices sent to each work site in regards to the office closure over the summer. We are very excited that the renovations to the condo we purchased are getting started. It will be business as usual with members issues & concerns. The phone number will remain the same 242-7555, leave your message and it will be returned, unfortunately the fax machines will NOT be in service until the end of August. Thanking you all in advance for your patience and understanding.

In closing I would like to say how proud I am to represent you as members of Staff Association. I felt the proudest when we all stood together for our Information Pickets, working within our FTE's and most of all taking our breaks, which we are entitled to in our Collective Agreement. I have heard from many of our members how taking our breaks have been the best thing for them. Over this short period of time they have gotten to know their colleagues and have enjoyed their company, have made new friends, and realized they are not alone in any situation and most of all been able to bounce and discuss issues/concerns with each other.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors of Staff Association for supporting the Negotiation Team BUT most of all I would like to thank you the membership.

Have a relaxing and safe summer and we will see you all in September.

*Jean Minifie
Chairperson*



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