



Spring Information & Election Meeting

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

The Glenmore Inn & Convention Centre

2720 Glenmore Trail SE

7:00 pm (Glenmore West/Heritage Room)

Please plan to attend this meeting and make your vote count. We hope to see you tomorrow night.

Message from the Chair...

It is tough times right now across the system as cuts in hours and elimination of positions are happening every day. While we don't have final numbers as yet, it has been non-stop for the last while with many calls and e-mails from support staff.

We are very concerned with what we are hearing thus far. This was a lean system before the RAM and budgets went out and is now bordering, in our view, as completely unworkable. Workloads are not going to be less. The pressure and stress on everyone is at a point where people are finding it difficult to cope and keep things going so that does not bode well for the coming year.

I personally sat in individual meetings at Highfield yesterday where employees were told their positions had been eliminated. The shock and disbelief on their faces was very telling. It was a tough day for all involved and there is more to come as more service units are making their cuts this week. The deficit is touching every part of this system.

I also want you to know that we are doing what we can to make sure CBE leadership understands the magnitude of the decisions that are being made. We have a meeting set up for Wednesday, April 26th to help bring awareness to them around the potential fallout we see, as a result of these decisions.

There is one thing I would like to ask of all of you. It is easy to get caught up in the negativity that comes with these times of change. Please take care of yourselves and support each other through these trying times.

We are available for all of you. Call us at the office, send us an e-mail, whether you have a question, or just need to talk, we are here for you.

Transfer and Layoff Meetings for Support Staff

If you have been identified for transfer or layoff you should attend one of the following meetings:

- Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at Central Memorial High School (5111 - 21 Street SW) from 4:30pm to 6:30pm; or
- Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at James Fowler High School (4004 - 4 Street NW) from 4:30pm to 6:30pm.

The placement process will be explained and any questions or concerns you may have can be addressed at that time. CBE Support Staffing and Staff Association's Management Team will be there to assist you.

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If you wish to visit the SA office, please e-mail or phone ahead to book an appointment to ensure that someone is available to assist you.		