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## CUPE 116 – UPDATES

### COVID-19

The Union Office is continuing to operate mostly in a remote capacity to address COVID-19 related issues and other immediate needs as they arise. Most members are now working on a temporary rotational schedule.

The Provincial Government and the University have recognized that it is important to maintain employment for those employees whose work would not have been otherwise affected but for the COVID-19 response. Accordingly, compensation continuity has been assured until the end of April, with further assessment and updates to be provided by the Provincial Government.

Additionally, the Union is continuing to work to ensure the health and safety of members who are working on Campus during the pandemic response.

We also continue to have ongoing discussions with the University in regard to appropriate recognition of circumstances where members are making extraordinary efforts and contributions during this unprecedented situation.

Please continue to monitor <https://covid19.ubc.ca> as well as [www.cupe116.com](http://www.cupe116.com) for further information, updates and communications in regard to the ongoing COVID-19 virus situation.

### AQUATIC CENTRE BARGAINING

The Union also recently concluded bargaining with the UBC Aquatic Centre and reached a strong agreement to revise and renew the Aquatic Centre Collective Agreement, consistent with the Provincial Government mandate. The Aquatic Centre members have now ratified the agreement and we expect the UBC Board of Governors to ratify it by the end of the week as well.

### APRIL GMM

In accordance with the direction given by Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer, the April General Membership Meeting is cancelled.

### SOCIETY

The UBC Employees Society No. 116 have announced the following:

- The continuation of Medical Leave of Absence Benefit requests so that there is no disruption in coverage.
- Suspension of meeting requirements for the upcoming scholarships.
- Freezing *current* loan repayments until the situation stabilizes. The Society Executive are also reviewing how to issue *new* loans should they be required and will update you when that occurs.

Please feel free to contact the Union Office for any new inquiries or you may email the Society at [society@cupe116.com](mailto:society@cupe116.com), however please be patient if you do not get an immediate response as a lot of people and offices are on limited access.

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Stay healthy and be safe!

In solidarity,

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