

Labour Council Delegate Report



May 2026



Bargaining

- **BCGEU** – Bargaining committee met with the employer for bargaining in April and May with five more bargaining dates set for early June.
- **BC Hydro** – The bargaining committee met with BC Hydro on May 5, 6 & 7 to continue negotiations with discussions on wages, benefits, job security, contracting out, overtime, vacation, and other collective agreement provisions. The union achieved progress on monetary matters; however, the employer continues to seek concessions, and the committee will not agree to a settlement that leaves members with less than they currently have. If a fair agreement cannot be reached, the union will file an essential services application with the LRB and continue negotiations through the mediation process.
- **BCIT Student Association** – Union representatives have had 19 sessions of bargaining with the employer, including 8 mediated sessions at the LRB with most recent mediated session scheduled for May 14. The parties have hearing dates scheduled for a Section 139 application with the Labour Relations Board on July 13, 14, 15, 20, 21 & 22.
- **BC Transit** – Bargaining dates set for June 9 to 12.
- **BEEM Credit Union** – Bargaining committee has been scheduled for June, pending employer release.
- **Capilano University** – Discussing tentative dates with employer in anticipation of Section 54 resolving soon.
- **Cascades Casino (Langley)** – Tentative bargaining dates have been set for June and July to be held remotely.
- **Catalyst Paper** – Bargaining has been paused due to unforeseen personal leave by employer representative.

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CLC Convention

MoveUP delegates joined delegates from COPE locals and other unions across the country to participate in the Canadian Labour Congress Convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba from May 11 to 14.

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Bargaining cont.

- **David Suzuki Foundation** – Tentative agreement reached May 21 with a membership meeting and ratification vote happening tentatively on May 28.
- **Greenpeace Canada** – The parties have scheduled June 25 to commence bargaining and are currently canvassing for further dates for bargaining.
- **Hertz YVR** – Tentative agreement reached on May 7 with membership meeting and ratification vote to be arranged.
- **IBEW 213** – The parties met on May 4, 5 & 8. A tentative agreement has been reached. A membership meeting and ratification vote will be scheduled.
- **ICBC** – Bargaining commenced on December 3, 2025, and a total of 14 days of bargaining has occurred to date. Additional bargaining dates have been set with the employer in May and June of 2026. The committee is still in the process of discussing non-monetary proposals.
- **Ironworkers 97** – The bargaining survey has gone out to the members.
- **Kelowna Cabs** – A tentative agreement was reached with the employer on May 8.
- **Salal Foundation** – Shortly after the first collective agreement was ratified, the employer filed under Section 54 and entered into an Adjustment Agreement that provided severance, recall rights, and other supports for affected employees. The employer has since laid off all but one bargaining unit member and one excluded employee, citing financial instability and reduced operational capacity. Laid-off employees received their full severance entitlements under the collective agreement and reported that their experience being unionized was very positive.
- **Seaspan International** – Union representative to schedule more bargaining dates and has received the legal opinion regarding the change that's been requested by the employer to transfer a significant majority of the members from Seaspan ULC to the Vancouver Shipyards bargaining unit.
- **Telecommunication Workers Union** – The bargaining committee met on May 11.
- **Vancouver Musicians' Association** – Union representative and the bargaining committee have met with the employer 5 times for collective bargaining and are currently canvassing for next dates.
- **Yellow Pages Group** – Digital media staff have been organized and have been varied into the collective agreement. The draft variance letter of understanding/memorandum of agreement has all issues resolved with the exception of wage increases and the goal is to sign the variance transition agreement in May 2026.
- **Youth Climate Corp** – Bargaining Committee has been appointed and proposals have been submitted for approval.

