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Talks between OSSTF/FEESO, OPSBA and the Government Come to a Halt

(Toronto)—The Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF/FEESO) is disappointed to report that bargaining with the Government of Ontario and its school board partners, represented by the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) has failed to reach an agreement.

"We have been making a concerted effort to move these talks forward, but the management team refuses to recognize the professional judgement of our members and continues to threaten the learning conditions of Ontario students by tabling proposals that will lead to larger class sizes," said OSSTF/FEESO President Paul Elliott.

At this point, no further bargaining dates have been scheduled. OSSTF/FEESO remains willing and available to go back to the table at any time to engage in meaningful negotiations that will result in a central table agreement.

OSSTF/FEESO, founded in 1919, has 60,000 members across Ontario. They include public high school teachers, occasional teachers, educational assistants, continuing education teachers and instructors, early childhood educators, psychologists, secretaries, speech-language pathologists, social workers, plant support personnel, university support staff, and many others in education.

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