

Why we're on strike...



We are more than 1,400 MGEU members who work for Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries — a Crown Corporation owned by Manitobans and controlled by the provincial government.

We have been working under an expired contract since March of last year.



Negotiations for a new contract have been compromised by a very restrictive bargaining mandate imposed by the Premier and her cabinet.

As a result, the employer has only offered wage increases of 2%/year over 4 years, plus a little extra for workers at the very bottom of the wage scale to keep them in line with minimum wage increases.

This falls far short of what's needed to keep up with the soaring cost of living.

It falls far short of what's needed to catch up for ground lost in our last contract when our wages were frozen for two years, then capped at just 0.75% and 1% in the next two years.



It falls far short of what's needed to help retain workers who are leaving for better pay at Walmart and Sobeys — our starting wage is currently just \$14.91/hr.

And it falls far short of the pay increases that Premier Stefanson and her cabinet are taking ! (3.3%, 3.6%, and 3.6% over 3 years)



We have proposed wage increases in line with those that Premier Stefanson is taking on her \$189,000 salary, plus an amount to catch up for how far we fell behind in our last contract.

We call on Premier Stefanson to lift her unfair wage mandate and offer us the increases she is taking.

Because that is what fairness looks like.

