

Salem Area Fred Meyer Non-Food Do You Deserve a Fair Contract?

The Salem Area non-food bargaining team met with the Fred Meyer negotiators for a bargaining session on Monday, April 21, 2010. No real progress was made and Fred Meyer appears to be up to their old tactics again. The question becomes...

Do you deserve a fair contract?



"Since the beginning of the year, I've paid over \$1000 for my health insurance. We continue to have no vision coverage, and we still pay \$34 a week. The cost of living is the same in Salem as it is in Portland. If we have the same cost of living, why aren't we getting the same wages? Why should we pay \$34 a week in co-premiums when members in Portland only pay \$15 a week?"

~**Jackie Pounder** • South Salem Pharmacy

"I would just like to make a living wage and right now I do not. My current wage is the same as I made 15 years ago in another state. Why is this happening? I can't afford to shop at Freddy's as I don't have consistent hours. The cost of everything keeps going up and my wages are going nowhere."

~**Arlene Hobart** • South Salem Home Dept



"The last proposal that was made is not enough to pay my bills. I don't know how I am going to make future payments. In order to make a positive change, we all need to participate."



~**Maggie Styler** • Albany Home Dept



"The wage increase is too low and it still leaves us way behind all other stores. At Corvallis Fred Meyer we want equal pay rate for the same positions in other stores. It's only Fair!"

~**Rose Basye** • Corvallis Apparel



"The corporate motto is 'Our People are Great!' The wage proposal that Fred Meyer is offering is not reflective of a company that makes me feel great. It's frankly embarrassing- a real slap in the face to all of us. WE ARE WORTH MORE! WE DESERVE MORE!"

~**Dawn Gabore** • North Salem Pharmacy

