

NEIUPI Update

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Little Progress / Big Chaos

Just before winter break, the NEIU Board of Trustees canceled an emergency meeting at which many faculty were scheduled for public comment. The lame-duck / interim administration is attempting to push through a radical reorganization of the colleges to prepare for their claim that enrollment will decline another 10% next year. That is likely if the people in charge of recruitment and retention are not doing their jobs. The scandal of the month is the confirmation that the Associate VP for Student Success and Retention has been doing the job almost entirely remotely, while simultaneously holding a full-time, tenure track faculty position at Wayne State University in Detroit.

Meanwhile, we continue bargaining for a fair contract. At the negotiation session on Thursday 1/12/23, UPI and NEIU TA'ed Article 5 on personnel files (a "TA" means "tentative agreement"), the first item agreed to after 6 months of bargaining.

Bargaining sessions have moved to Thursdays 1:00 - 2:30 pm. You are invited to attend and observe!

What are you willing to do to get a fair contract?

In addition to general membership meetings, our growing organizing team

will be reaching out to talk to members one-on-one. When someone approaches you, please take the time to talk!

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
Thurs, January 12	3 pm	ZOOM NEIUPI Membership Meeting Zoom	ZOOM SOCIAL Getting Back in Touch!
Wed, January 25	12 pm	LWH 1002	General Membership Meeting
Thurs, February 9	3 pm	BBH 101	General Membership Meeting
Wed, February 22	12 pm	LWH 1002	General Membership Meeting
Thurs, March 9	3 pm	BBH 101	General Membership Meeting
Wed, March 22	12 pm	LWH 1002	General Membership Meeting
Thurs, April 13	3 pm	BBH 101	General Membership Meeting
Wed, April 26	12 pm	LWH 1002	General Membership Meeting
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UIC UF is On Strike - Show Solidarity

As of late Monday night, the faculty union at UIC are on strike.

Join their picket line if you can! On Friday 1/20/23 we will have a UPI contingent go picket with them, but you can go other days, too! Nancy will send additional details through off-campus email, but you can also email her if you can join our UPI team on Friday. *Those of us who have been on strike before know how important and uplifting it is to have others join the picket line!* Wear your UPI shirt if you have one.

Meanwhile, write a letter of support: [Tell UIC Chancellor to Settle a Fair Contract](#)

early for instructions.) Let the Administration know that we are united in our fight for a fair contract!

- Talk to your union colleague when they reach out to you!

NEIUPI is working for a fair contract and an inclusive university!

