



BC FERRY & MARINE WORKERS' UNION

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LEAVE WITHOUT PAY GROUP GRIEVANCE

The Section 104 expedited arbitration to address the Leave Without Pay (LWOP) group grievance was scheduled for early March 2022. Arbitration was adjourned unexpectedly due to a medical issue concerning our counsel. We have now rescheduled the LWOP Group grievance arbitration, outside the expedited process. The new date for the hearing is currently set for June 30, 2022, at which time the parties will be providing opening statements and submissions on the scope of the issue. The extended time frame is not our first choice however, in order to move forward with legal counsel who is best versed in our grievance and therefore provides BCFMWU members with the best probable outcome, we must offer our counsel the necessary time to heal.

While we are going through the process of challenging the BCFS policy and noncompliance fallout, anyone who has been negatively impacted by the BC Ferries' COVID-19 mandatory vaccine policy and/or the accommodation/exemption process, please reach out to your local Presidents and c19info@bcfmwu.com to ensure your individual status and concerns are known.

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