

#### ONTARIO LABOUR RELATIONS BOARD

## Colleges Collective Bargaining Act, 2008

OLRB Case No: 0805-17-R Certification (Industrial)

Ontario Public Service Employees Union ("OPSEU"), Applicant v College Employer Council, Responding Party

### COVER LETTER

TO THE PARTIES LISTED ON APPENDIX A:

The Board is attaching the following document(s):

Decision - April 16, 2025 and French translation

0805-17-R - Certificate - Bilingual

DATED: April 16, 2025

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# COMMISSION DES RELATIONS DE TRAVAIL DE L'ONTARIO

Loi de 2008 sur la négociation collective dans les collèges

Nº de cas de la CRTO : 0805-17-R

Accréditation syndicale (secteur industriel)

Syndicat des employés de la fonction publique de l'Ontario ("SEFPO"), requérant c Conseil des employeurs des collèges, intimée

## LETTRE D'ACCOMPAGNEMENT

## À L'ATTENTION DES PARTIES INDIQUÉES À L'ANNEXE A :

La Commission joint à la présente le ou les documents suivants :

Décision - rendue le 16 avril 2025 et la traduction en français

0805-17-R - Certificat - Bilingue

FAIT LE: 16 avril 2025

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L'EMPLOYEUR DOIT AFFICHER IMMÉDIATEMENT CETTE DÉCISION (AUX ENDROITS OÙ ELLE EST LE PLUS SUSCEPTIBLE D'ATTIRER L'ATTENTION DES EMPLOYÉS ET AUTRES PERSONNES TOUCHÉES PAR LA REQUÊTE), À CÔTÉ DE LA REQUÊTE, DE L'AVIS DU DÉPÔT DE LA REQUÊTE DONNÉ PAR LA COMMISSION AUX EMPLOYÉS ET/OU DE TOUTES LES AUTRES DÉCISIONS DE LA COMMISSION.

LE PRÉSENT AVIS DOIT RESTER AFFICHÉ PENDANT 45 JOURS OUVRABLES.



#### **ONTARIO LABOUR RELATIONS BOARD**

OLRB Case No: **0805-17-R** 

Ontario Public Service Employees Union ("OPSEU"), Applicant v **College Employer Council**, Responding Party

**BEFORE:** Jesse Kugler, Vice-Chair

**DECISION OF THE BOARD:** April 16, 2025

- 1. This is an application for certification brought by the Ontario Public Service Employees Union ("OPSEU") pursuant to the *Colleges Collective Bargaining Act, 2008*, S.O. 2008 c.15 (the "*CCBA*") seeking to represent part-time academic staff as defined in the *CCBA*. This application was filed on June 23, 2017.
- 2. Section 25 and Schedule 1 of the *CCBA* define the part-time academic staff bargaining unit as follows:

Part-time academic staff bargaining unit:

- 2 (1) Subject to subsection (2), the part time academic staff bargaining unit includes all persons employed by an employer as,
  - (a) teachers who teach for six hours or less per week;
  - (b) counsellors or librarians employed on a part time basis; and
  - (c) teachers, counsellors or librarians who are appointed for one or more sessions and who are employed for not more than 12 months in any 24-month period.
- (2) The part time academic staff bargaining unit does not include,
  - (a) chairs, department heads or directors;

- (b) persons above the rank of chair, department head or director;
- (c) other persons employed in a managerial or confidential capacity within the meaning of section 5 of this Schedule;
- (d) a person who is a member of the architectural, dental, engineering, legal or medical profession, entitled to practise in Ontario and employed in a professional capacity; or
- (e) a person employed outside Ontario.
- 3. By decision dated July 14, 2017, the Board (differently constituted) directed that a representation vote be held in respect of the part-time academic staff bargaining unit commencing October 2, 2017. The responding party, the College Employer Council (the "CEC"), gave notice under section 31 of the CCBA and the Board subsequently sealed the ballot box pending a determination of whether OPSEU had the necessary membership support (35%) to count the ballots.
- 4. In the intervening period, the parties worked cooperatively to narrow the list of status disputes, both through agreement and litigation. By decision dated July 30, 2024, the Board determined that at least 35% of the individuals in the bargaining unit were members of OPSEU at the time the application for certification was filed. The Board therefore directed that the ballot boxes be opened, and the unchallenged ballots be counted.
- 5. On April 14, 2025, a Vote Officer's Report was issued to the parties disclosing the results of the representation vote. In accordance with that Report, more than 50% of the ballots cast by employees in the bargaining unit were cast in favour of OPSEU.
- 6. There are no outstanding issues that would cause the Board to delay issuing a certificate in this application.
- 7. Therefore, a certificate will issue to the applicant in respect of the part-time academic staff bargaining unit as defined by section 25 and Schedule 1 of the *CCBA*.
- 8. The Registrar will destroy the ballots cast in the representation vote taken in this matter following the expiration of 30 days from the date of this decision unless a statement requesting that the ballots be preserved is received by the Board from one of the parties before then.

- 9. All meeting and hearing dates set previously by the Board are hereby cancelled.
- 10. The CEC is directed to post copies of this decision immediately, adjacent to all copies of the "Notice of Vote" posted previously. These copies must remain posted for a period of sixty (60) days.

"Jesse Kugler"
for the Board

#### APPENDIX A / ANNEXE A

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