

FOR PSA MEMBERS: **MPUMALANGA GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICE SECTORAL BARGAINING CHAMBER (GPSSBC)**

13-04-2022

Feedback: GPSSBC Chamber meeting - 11 April 2022

OHS Compliance and COVID-19 regulations

The employer reported that the COVID-19 regulations were amended as a result of the drastic reduction in COVID-19 infections. The employer further emphasised that the issue of vaccination was to be prioritised, especially noting quite number of vaccines that were to be destroyed. On that basis, the employer urged labour to encourage members to get vaccinated as part of precautionary measures. Parties agreed that the employer would make a presentation in the next Provincial Bargaining Council meeting on COVID-19 cases and vaccination statistics. The matter remains on the agenda for reporting in the next Chamber.

GPSSBC Resolution 5/2014: Agreement on Recognition of Improved Qualification

The employer indicated that the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA) was in the province on 4 February 2022 for a consultation meeting and the matter was not resolved. Parties agreed that the matter should be escalated to Council for intervention with a view to accelerate the process. In addition, parties agreed that a special meeting be convened with Council and the DPSA be notified of the urgency of the matter. The matter remains on the agenda for reporting in the next Chamber meeting.

Department of Education: Hostel allowance and resettlement policy review

The two policies need to be reviewed and the employer is not making any effort with this. The employer made an undertaking to send a formal invitation to labour to participate in the policy review process. The matter remains on the agenda for reporting in the next Chamber meeting.

Employees who want to join the PSA can contact Sylvia Watkins on 082 880 8941 or Thandiwe Mziyako on 060 962 8512 or alternatively contact the PSA Provincial Office on (013) 741 7500.

The next Chamber sitting is scheduled for 10 June 2022.

GENERAL MANAGER