

Membership
Update



October 28, 2015

From the President...

Tentative Agreement Update

On October 14, 2015, the Providence City Council Finance Committee approved our Tentative Agreement. The Tentative Agreement must be presented at a public comment meeting prior to full City Council ratification. The public meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2015.

As always, I will keep you posted as more information becomes available.

PTU Partners with PGE

PTU members are now eligible to join the PGE Federal Credit Union. Since 1927, PGE has operated as a cooperative lending institution, offering full service banking solutions to its members. As a Select Group Credit Union, PGE focuses its business practices on specific groups within the community which allows them to understand and better serve its members' banking needs.

Members who are interested in learning about the services that PGE has to offer may go to www.pgecu.org. Below is a quick introductory video from PGE President & CEO Ken Poyton.



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19th Annual PTU Book Drive

Nineteen years ago, the Providence Teachers Union launched its first Book Drive for Providence Kids. Over the years, we have donated close to 17,000 new books to Providence community centers. They, in turn, distributed the books to Providence children.

Please join us in continuing the tradition of brightening the lives of Providence children during the holiday season by participating in the

PTU Book Drive Dress Down Day

Building delegates have been asked to coordinate a dress down day during the week of November 2-6. All donations will go towards purchasing new books (all ages) for Providence students. New book donations are also welcome.

See your building delegate for more details.

Help us make this the best book drive ever!



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Town Meetings / Open Office Hours

Open office hours is an opportunity for President Calabro to hear directly from you. If you have any concerns or suggestions, call the Union office to schedule an appointment. **Open office hours** are between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. on the following dates:

November 23, 2015	March 22, 2016
December 16, 2015	April 27, 2016
January 20, 2016	May 5, 2016
February 25, 2016	

In addition to our regularly scheduled membership meetings, members are encouraged to attend **town meetings** from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on the following dates. This year **Town meetings** are an opportunity to have informal conversations regarding the issues that concern our profession:

October 29, 2015—Discipline
January 27, 2016—TBD
April 26, 2016 — TBD

Reminders....

◆ **Membership Meetings**

All regularly scheduled membership meetings begin at 4:00 p.m. at the Union office. Meetings are scheduled as follows:

December 9, 2015	March 9, 2016
January 13, 2016	April 13, 2016
February 10, 2016	May 11, 2016



◆ **Emergency Sick Leave Bank**

Members wishing to join the Emergency Sick Leave Bank may do so during open enrollment held during the month of October.

◆ **Healthcare Opt-Out**

This year's deadline for healthcare opt-out is November 13, 2015. Please note, that proof of alternate medical coverage must also be submitted by the deadline. Opt-out forms are available in your school's main office.

◆ **Contact Information**

Please notify the Union office if you have a new mailing address, phone number or email address.
Phone Number: (401) 421-4014 Email: general@proteun.org.

