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## **NSTU community college faculty and professional support staff agree to new collective agreements with the NSCC**

Two NSTU bargaining units, representing community college faculty and professional support staff, have each reached new six-year agreements with the Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC).

Yesterday, NSTU members in both bargaining units voted on final offers from the NSCC. Approximately 55% of faculty members and 64% of members in the professional support bargaining unit voted to accept their respective offers. Following the vote, new agreements were ratified with the NSCC.

The agreements each run from September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2020. The contracts provide 7% wage increases over the six-year terms. Under Bill 148, the employer is required to freeze the years of service used to calculate the service award as of March 31, 2015. However, under both agreements employees can choose to collect their service award based on their salary at retirement, or collect it immediately based on their March 31, 2018 salary.

NSTU President Liette Doucet is unavailable for comment today. However, the NSTU wishes to acknowledge the significant length of time it took to reach these collective agreements and thanks community college members for their patience and professionalism during this process.

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