

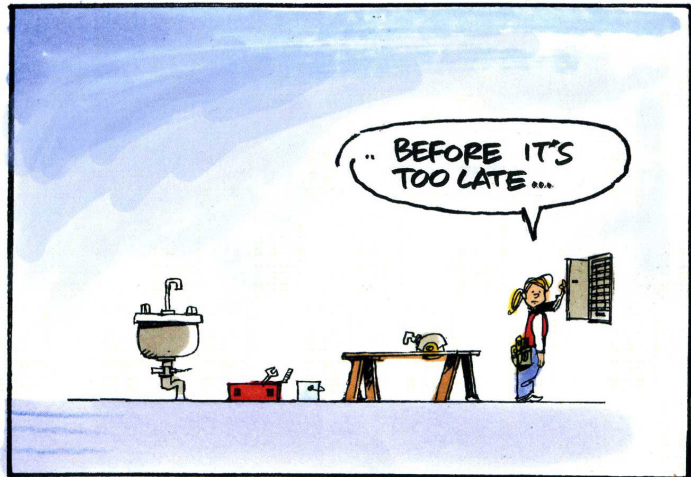
SKILLED WORKERS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR...



TRADES THAT SHOULD BE PROPERLY RECOGNIZED...



.. BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE...



Skilled Workers: Progress being made

For the very first time since we have been working on the skilled worker attraction and retention issue, the Treasury Board has finally shown a certain degree of openness towards identifying solutions of a monetary nature. This constitutes an important sign in terms of eventually reaching an agreement. Notwithstanding this encouraging progress, it remains imperative that we continue with our mobilization, because we're still far away from reaching such an agreement.

The exploratory technical work is thus continuing with a working committee that groups together all the union

organizations that represent skilled workers in Quebec's public sector, as well as the Treasury Board.

The Health and Social Services Federation (FSSS-CSN) and the Federation of Public Service Employees (FEESP-CSN) are participating in this ongoing work.

We are currently discussing the job classifications that require measures to attract and particularly to retain personnel. Let's recall that when the Common Front tabled its bargaining proposals to the Government, it asked that the discussions concerning the letter of agreement that was signed during the last round of bargaining be accelerated.

It's very important that we keep up our mobilization, notably by continuing to wear the black sweater and by making our colleagues, parents and friends more aware of our situation. Our mobilization remains imperative, if we are to make the gains we deserve!

Please visit the Web site at: www.entrenosmains.org to view all the documentation in this dossier. You'll also find a video clip there produced by the interunion coalition, and we invite you all to distribute the clip as widely as possible.

