**Facts:**

We are in mediation. We have had many meetings and MMB has not moved on there wage proposal. They have offered 2% year one and 1.5% year two. Healthcare will likely increase 2.5% both years. So their wage proposal will bring us backwards. Meanwhile legislators got 7.25% increase and social security 8.7%.

**How to get involved!**

* <https://mape.org/join-mape> if you aren’t a member, become one! You need to be a member 7 days before we vote for strike/contract. You want to your voice heard, become a member!
* <https://mape.org/platform> to sign up for bargaining platform. This is the same link to sign up for the rapid response text messages. This allows you to text me directly when we are in bargaining. It is the best way to stay the most informed! We text you back if you text back first!
* <https://mape.org/bargaining-updates> General bargaining updates.
* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QMbFP03PoIc> YouTube recording of Town Hall May 31st
* <https://mn.gov/governor/connect/contact-us/contact-form.jsp> Walz’s contact page. Copy/paste a written statement. The ask is to have his staff (MMB commissioners and HR) be better and do better. You can use “other” in the drop down or “budget”. You can use your state email but make sure you are being respectful and professional while still getting your point across.
* You can also reach out to Jennifer Clasemen jennifer.clasemen@state.mn.us the MMB Labor Relations Rep and let her know you want her team to do better. Try to cc action@mape.org and your respective commissioner. Copy/paste the same written statement to Walz if you want.
* Push week action - [Push Week Action | Minnesota Association of Professional Employees (mape.org)](https://mape.org/events/push-week-action) – Join MAPE at MNDOT facility on 6/21/2023 from 7:30A-8:30A
* Sign up for **strike ready training**! <https://mape.org/news/strike-education-training>
	+ ***In these meetings you will learn what it means to strike, what it looks like, what the next steps will be & you can bring your questions.***
	+ **Offered:**
		- June 13, 5-6pm (Zoom)
		- June 14, 5-6pm (Zoom) & In person 1901 Event at Jake’s Pizza in St. Peter (4:30-5:30pm)
		- June 15, 5-6pm (Zoom)
		- Sign up on [www.mape.org](http://www.mape.org) for all zoom events.

