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Recession-proof our jobs

Paid union meetings start this week – make sure you're there!

KEY POINTS:

- Paid union meetings begin this week for Finsec members at BNZ, to determine our goals for the year and take the steps necessary to achieve them.
- Some scheduled meetings are to be replaced with conference calls. More details below.

ACTION:

Delegates: make sure that all Finsec members are aware of your meeting times and are organised to attend.

Our right to attend these paid meetings

Our paid meetings for Finsec members at BNZ start this week.

All members are legally entitled to paid time off work to attend these meetings and it is crucial that all Finsec members know when their meeting is and attend. The BNZ has been advised of them and there is no issue with every member coming along to a meeting or ringing into a conference call.

Delegates please ensure that every member is scheduled off throughout the day to attend a paid meeting or a conference call.

What are the meetings about?

It has been two years since we negotiated our pay and conditions with the BNZ. These important meetings are our opportunity for members to come together and decide what the issues for negotiations will be and what our plan will be to win the changes we want.

Information about the meetings has been sent to all worksites, but if you have any questions call 0800 FINSEC or email union@finsec.org.nz

Some changes to the schedule of meetings

Meetings scheduled to take place in Hamilton, Tauranga, Wairarapa, Kapiti and Dunedin have been cancelled and will instead be held as conference calls.

Finsec organisers will be in touch with delegates at these sites to arrange your conference calls.

Feedback from members in these areas has been that it was particularly difficult to make arrangements to attend a meeting. However, all other meetings are proceeding as arranged and it is important that ALL members attend.

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