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TEACHERS VOTE TO ACCEPT CONTRACT PROPOSAL

St. John's, NL....Teachers in Newfoundland and Labrador have voted to accept the tentative collective agreement which was reached with the Provincial Government and School Boards in July 2014.

The contract was recommended for acceptance by the NLTA's Provincial Executive and Branch Presidents. Teachers have voted 94.6% in favour of acceptance with over 93% voter turnout.

"We are very pleased with the results of the vote on the tentative agreement. We were able to protect the substitute teacher provision for the benefit of students as well as make gains in the area of family leave for the first time," states Jim Dinn, President of the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association. "Teachers can now be assured of short term leave when they have a sick child, parent or other family member to care for. We were also pleased with the establishing of a committee to address the inadequate resourcing of inclusive education. This is a contract that benefits the whole education system."

Under the new contract all teachers' salaries will be increased by 5% over the life of the agreement and will receive a \$1400 signing bonus.

The date for the official signing of the collective agreement has not yet been decided.

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