Public Sector Bargaining Issues

A two-day school for bargaining committee members, leaders and staff of unions representing Iowa public sector workers. Presented in cooperation with the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO. Topics will include:

- Recent changes to Chapter 20 and their impact on the bargaining process
- Attacks on public services and Union responses
- Health care reform and its implications for bargaining
- Analyzing public sector budgets; bargaining preparation and research
- Can we bargain about that?: avoiding and surviving negotiability disputes
- Making effective use of mediation
- Winning at arbitration

When: October 8 & 9, 2010 (Friday-Saturday)
Where: Pappajohn Education Center, 1200 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA
Cost: $150/person, includes instruction, materials, and lunches
Time: Registration from 9:30-10:00 a.m. on October 8; program will conclude by 3:00 p.m. on October 9

TO REGISTER FOR THIS PROGRAM: Call the Labor Center at 319.335.4144, OR email us at labor-center@uiowa.edu, OR register online at http://www.continuetolearn.uiowa.edu/laborctr/registration/registration.html. When registering by phone or email, please include the name(s) of the participant(s), union name and local #, mailing address, daytime phone #, and union title/position. If you plan to pay your registration fee in advance, make your check payable to The University of Iowa and mail it to: Labor Center, The University of Iowa, 100 BioVentures Center, Room W130, Iowa City, IA 52242-5000.

Registration deadline: September 20, 2010. A confirmation letter and program agenda will be sent to each registrant in advance of the program.

HOUSING: You will need to reserve and pay for your own housing directly with the Hotel Fort Des Moines at 1-800-532-1466. A block of rooms is being held under “Public Sector Bargaining” for the night of October 8 at an approximate rate of $99 per night plus tax. A few rooms are being held for the night of October 7 if you arrive the evening before the program begins.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to participate in a program, please contact the Labor Center in advance at (319) 335-4144.