SAN RAFAEL HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER

TWO-DAY STRIKE AUTHORIZED; MANAGEMENT OFFER REJECTED

In two days of voting, members voted 85 percent in favor of authorizing a two-day strike if management continues refusing to settle a fair contract. Only 15% of voters voted to accept the last contract offer management put in writing on May 26.

MEETING WITH ROCKPORT VICE PRESIDENT

Six workers from the AM shift met with Rockport Vice President Wesley Rogers Wednesday, October 11 to ask why Rockport, the company that manages our nursing home, won't finalize a fair contract. We made it clear to Rogers that we need written guarantees that workers will be able to keep their 5/2 schedules and that housekeepers 8-hour shifts will not be reduced to 7.5 hours.

We also raised the issue of short staffing, which Rogers said he did not think was an issue. We told Rogers that we are ready and willing to strike again if he doesn't come through for his employees. Rogers said he really hopes there will not be a strike during the state survey. He also promised to talk with the new CEO of Rockport and get us a response by October 16. However, he again broke his promise and did not respond.

SEEKING SUPPORT FROM CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Along with workers and family members from Novato Healthcare Center, we will be meeting Wednesday, October 18 with city council candidates from Novato and Tiburon, who are seeking NUHW's endorsement. We will be asking these candidates to commit to support our fight to improve patient care and working conditions at our nursing homes and join us out on the picket line!

For more information, contact NUHW Organizer Alex Early at aearly@nuhw.org or (617) 816-4260.





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