



Kia ora Comrades and Friends,

Last night Unions Wellington passed a unanimous motion of support for TEU members in the Polytechnic system.

The Polytechs play a crucial role in training people in many of the skills essential to the functioning of our society. It is an essential service and we all benefit from the skills and training that your graduates receive.

Unfortunately, this has not been reflected in the funding models used by consecutive governments. Unions Wellington stands with you in your campaign to address this issue and get the funding which you and your students deserve.

We in particular would like to send our solidarity to NorthTec TEU members who have recently been taking industrial action to push their claim for fair pay. Staff cannot be expected to carry the burden of a failing system, and we support all TEU members fighting back.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to support your campaigns going forward.

In Solidarity,

Ben Peterson and Alastair Reith
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