

CUPE Local 454 Spring 2021

President's Message

March 2020 the pandemic brought life to a screeching halt and the year has gone by incredibly fast but felt slow and had a forever lasting impact on all of us. There were no exemptions to the touch of the covid-19 pandemic at home at work at school for our friends and family across the world. My last message in 2020 was hope for 2021 and what it would bring us, we needed a positive change in our trajectory to navigate through the storm and survive maybe even thrive. As CUPE members we are always resilient we found better ways to become engaged to communicate through the virtual highway and we did it well. Our general meetings have tripled in attendance members are talking more and asking many questions and focusing on the horizon that lays ahead of us. With that and the strength of our members behind us the Bargaining committees for both the City and Delta Police forged forward to negotiate an agreement. With a goal to do just that, get through the eye of this storm and land on our feet on the other side of this pandemic. We presented a Roll over agreement to both employers on January 28th and had a good back and forth discussion around our proposal.

Both employers then presented us with a counter proposal the committee looked over the counteroffer and it was close to what the committees were wanting but not quite there, so we strategized and set up our next bargaining date for February 18th with both employers. We met with the employers on the 18th, and they presented the proposal back with wage and term from January 1st, 2021 to December 31st, 2022 at 2 percent wage increase per year and both committees were accepting of this tentative agreement. We then set up a ratification info session on March 8th at 6pm and voting to start at 7pm until March 10th 12pm.

I am happy to report that we ratified both agreements 96 percent for the City and 100 percent for Delta police. We had a large turnout at the meeting and that took part in the vote thank you for all that participated and the members that attended the zoom info session we had great discussions at that meeting. What is next well the bargaining committees will start preparing our next proposal for the next round of negotiations so that come October of 2022 we are ready for our first meeting with both employers.



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Pink Shirt Day 2021



President's Message continued

We will be reaching out to the members for feedback as we get closer to the date and look forward to a great, negotiated agreement in 2022.

We will also be celebrating our 70th year anniversary as a chartered local of CUPE and we look forward to coming up with new ways to celebrate virtually. There is so much to be proud of CUPE 454 has an amazing history and we cannot wait to share some unique stories about the strong leadership and incredible advocacy which is the foundation that helped to build our current collective agreement to where it is today.

In closing, I would like to say thank you for all your tremendous work and support and dedication to provide services for a better, safer, and healthier community. We will continue to find improved ways to adapt because we are CUPE 454 members dedicated to doing better, getting stronger and standing together in solidarity.

In Solidarity, John Gibson **CUPE 454 President**





I attended the CLC Virtual Winter School in January, taking part in the Labour Community Advocate Level 1 program. My hope is that our members will not hesitate to reach out to me in times of need. That is after all the reason most of us become union activists, to make things better for our brothers, sisters, friends. If you are struggling and need to talk to someone, please reach out. Liz Stockdale

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Labour Community Advocate

Liz Stockdale | Labour Community Advocate Level 1 | January 2021

REPORT TO THE LOCAL

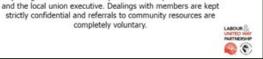


What is a Labour Community

Advocate? Labour Community Advocates are individuals within a union who act as a resource to provide peer support to fellow workers trying to cope with workplace, personal or family challenges. Labour

Community Advocates help their colleagues deal with personal problems and refer them to programs in their community that can provide direct support. They are good listeners and they have credibility with co-workers

completely voluntary.



Membership Meeting Schedule

Meetings will continue to be virtual Zoom Meetings details to follow:

April 21 - May 19 - June 16 - Last meeting until September



Executive Board & Job Stewards

President - John Gibson

Treasurer - Richard Carter

Secretary - Nick Angrignon

1st Vice-President - Jeff Kirkbride

2nd Vice-President - Kathleen Chan

Executive at Large:

Inside - Lee Fraser

Outside - Greg Harrison

Parks - Jaimie McIntyre

Parks (Outside) - Sam Abulail

Police - Liz Stockdale

Diversity - Talvir Nijjer

Executive Job Steward - Cherie Raines

Job Stewards:

John Schellenberg

Terri Contoli

Shelley Simpson

Pamela Hubbs

Mike Robinson

Jaspreet Sohi

Danielle Fantillo

Eli Wiebe

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2021 Election Results Congratulations!

CUPE Local 454 – 2021 Elections Election Results

<u>1st Vice-President – 2 Yr Term</u> Jeff Kirkbride - By Acclamation

2nd Vice-President – 1 Yr Term

Exec At Large - Inside - 1 Yr Term

Lee Fraser - By Acclamation

Exec At Large - Parks (Outside) 1 Yr Term

Sam Abulail - By Acclamation

Exec At Large - Police - 1 Yr Term

Liz Stockdale - By Acclamation

Labour Management Committee 1 Yr (Police)

Danielle Fantillo - - By Acclamation

Bargaining Police – 1 Yr Term

Danielle Fantillo - By Acclamation Liz Stockdale - By Acclamation

<u>Bargaining - City - 1 Yr</u> Term Sam Abulail

Nick Angrignon

Public Relations & Community Committee – 1 Yr Term

Jeff Kirkbride - By Acclamation Shelley Simpson - By Acclamation Kathleen Chan - By Acclamation Nick Angrignon - By Acclamation

Secretary - 2 Yr Term

Nick Angrignon - By Acclamation

Exec At Large Parks - 1 Yr Term

Exec At Large - Outside 1 Yr Term

Greg Harrison - By Acclamation

Exec At Large - Diversity - 1 Yr Term

Talvir Niiier - By Acclamation

Executive Job Steward - 1 Yr Term

Cherie Raines - By Acclamation

Trustee - 3 yr Term 2021 to 2024

Cliff de Silva - By Acclamation

Education Committee - 1 Yr Term

Cliff De Silva - By Acclamation Shelley Simpson - By Acclamation

CUPE Metro Council - 1 Yr Term

Nick Angrignon - By Acclamation Jeff Kirkbride - By Acclamation Cherie Raines - By Acclamation

New West District Labour Council - 1 Yr Term

Liz Stockdale - By Acclamation Jennifer Steffen - By Acclamation Nick Angrignon - By Acclamation



April 28—Day of Mourning Ceremony

Please note, due to the on-going social distancing order in place, CUPE 454 is working on bringing you a ceremony at the usual time and place on April 28 via social media.

We will announce more details in the coming weeks.