CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES
LOCAL 500

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (DCSP)

Work is underway in preparation for bargaining Downtown Community Safety Partnership (DSCP's) first collective agreement. While bargaining has not yet started, the process of gathering information and developing a bargaining plan is underway. The next step is to draft initial proposals informed by the member survey and the information collected to date. Once the proposals are developed, the Local will be able to move forward with bargaining.

LES BUTTERWORTH SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

The Local held its annual Les Butterworth Scholarship Dinner on Thursday, September 24. It was another great evening celebrating the academic achievements of CUPE 500 members and their families.

The Les Butterworth Scholarship is an important tradition for our Local, providing scholarships to the children and grandchildren of CUPE 500 members and recognizing their hard work and accomplishments.

This year's dinner was especially meaningful as we gathered together to celebrate our scholarship recipients and honour the legacy of Les Butterworth and the values of education, opportunity and solidarity that this scholarship represents.

Congratulations to all of this year's scholarship recipients and thank you to everyone who helped make the evening a success.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The October 28 municipal and school board election is fast approaching, and this will be an important election for CUPE 500 members.

There will be a significant amount of change at City Hall, with a number of current councillors not seeking re-election. That means the make-up of the next City Council will look very different. The decisions made by the people elected on October 28 will directly affect our members, the services we provide, and the future of our city.

As municipal workers, we know that the people elected to City Council are, in many ways, our bosses. This election is an opportunity for CUPE 500 members to pay close attention to the candidates, their positions on public services and workers, and the kind of city they want to build.

The Local's Political Action Committee will continue its work throughout the campaign. The Winnipeg Labour Council has released its list of labour-endorsed candidates for City Council and school trustee positions, which is available on their website.

If you are interested in helping out during this year's elections, contact Joanne Bjornson to find out where you can help. Even a few hours of your time can make a difference.

GOOD OF THE UNION:

We would like to take a moment of silence for retired member Allan Phillips. Allan worked for the City of Winnipeg, Parks and Recreation or 30+ years until he retired in the year 2000.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 30- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation*
October- National Library Month
October 12- Thanksgiving*

*Office closed.

CONCLUSION:

Please share this document with your co-workers.

In solidarity,



Patrick Troughton, President

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