



Members Update for April 22nd, 2022

PD DAY - (from Pat Amatangelo) - I wanted to give everyone an update on the CUPE 4153 PD Day that will be happening this year. The scheduled date is currently Thursday, July 7th, 2022. It will be a great day to get together and see everyone that we haven't been able to for quite some time now. Registration will be done on PD Place (board website) and I will provide the contact person if anyone has trouble registering. I will let everyone know when registration is open, the location of the event and the day's agenda in a couple weeks. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact Pat at 905-518-7963.

Sunday Membership Meeting – Sunday morning at 10am sharp we'll be having our first in person union meeting in over two years. Our labor partners at HWETL (Elementary Teachers Local) have been kind enough to allow us to use their hall for our meetings for the time being. Their office is located at 105 Nebo Road on the mountain and you can easily find exactly where by googling "HWETL". We will be starting promptly at 10am so please allow yourself time to find parking, grab a drink and find a seat before 10am. The agenda for the meeting will be attached with this update and last meeting's minutes and any financial info will be provided at the meeting.

Provincial Screening Tool – The provincial screening tool for Education workers was updated again last week and **we all need to be completing our daily screening before coming to work.** Please check the current screening tool to see if you should be at work today or not - <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>

Message From Laura Walton, OSBCU President - It has been a busy time in the education sector, having conversations with members, signing letters to the next premier and Wednesday night we had a great conversation amongst education workers and parents. It is clear that there needs to be real change in our education system – real wage gains are needed, funding must be improved to ensure the staffing is in place to provide students with the best education and our sick leave and benefits must be maintained.

Much of these issues are at the central bargaining table – where your elected bargaining team will meet with the Council of Trustees and the government – yes, the government. Which is why this election is so important – not only will we elect the government that will negotiate the 2022 collective agreement but our 2025 agreement as well. Your vote and the vote of your members, matters!

We are inviting you to our 30 Day Countdown Political Action Launch, on Monday, May 2 at 6:30pm (eastern). Political Action chair Joe Tigani, will be talking about the actions locals have already planned as well as discuss opportunities for you and your members in your ridings. We will also be joined by Marit Stiles, current Education Critic with the NDP. Come ask questions, hear what can be done and get involved!

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEsf-igpj8vGdLlintZIV-CD3oxFu5uCOCD>

We're in the home stretch to the end of the school year now that Easter has come and gone. Before we know it, vacations will be happening, negotiations at the provincial and local levels will be starting or close to starting and we'll be tearing our schools apart to get them all ready for September!

Cheers,

Blake



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Sunday ~ April 24, 2022

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

LOCATION: HWETL HALL, 105 NEBO ROAD

AGENDA:

- 1. Trustee Report on 2021 Financial Audit*
- 2. OSBCU Letter to the Next Premier*
- 3. June 23rd General Election*
- 4. Regular Union Business*