

# Education Sub-Committee Meeting

Friday January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025

12pm

Via TEAMS

## Record of Decisions

Via Teams: N. Burron (Chair), G. Latour, D. Hagar, M. Wylie, R. Ajmera, P. Atwere (Volunteer)

Observer: Brian McDougall

Regrets: N. Prier (President), A. Yeo (Vice-President, EC/LoP/OPBO), B. Panasyuk, G. Brabazon, M. Davidovic, A. Benedict (Volunteer), D. Theriault (Volunteer), L. Gillis (Volunteer), M. Favreau (Volunteer), A. Poliquin (Director of Representation and Education), J. Hutt (Senior Advisor to the President), J. Courty (Local Liaison Officer)

Staff via Teams: D. Osorio (Education Officer), K. Brooke (Senior Labour Relations Officer), S. Newman (Administrative Assistant)

1. Opening of the meeting
  - Meeting was officially called to order at 12:05pm. Quorum was not reached.

## 2. Approval of Agenda

- Be it resolved that the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, agenda be approved unanimously.

## 3. Approval of Minutes from October 11<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

- The October 11<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

## 4. Update on planning for events on a potential Conservative victory

- B. McDougall highlights the vulnerability of American public servants who lack the right to strike and are under threat from a potential Trump administration.
- G. Latour discusses the additional protections for elected officials but mentions the risk from right-wing and far-right activists on social media.
- D. Hagar emphasizes the importance of guest speakers in providing political commentary.
- The discussion shifts to the second event, focusing on workforce adjustment (WFA), and the need for technical and political perspectives.
- K. Brook updates the group on the education team's comprehensive reset of materials and the need to be prepared for potential changes.
- M. Wylie suggests having a registration form for the event to gather contact information and specific issues of interest from participants.

- The discussion moves to the third event, which is about coalescing a collation of the scapegoats, and the need to invite allies and organize broader coalitional spaces.
- N. Burron mentions the potential for a fourth event focused on successful fightbacks in other countries and the challenges of commissioning research internally.

*D. Osorio leave the meeting.*

*M. Wylie joins the meeting.*

5. Potential work with the Leo Panitch School for Socialist Education
  - D. Hagar supports the idea of exploring collaboration with the Leo Panitch School and suggests sharing initial research findings.
6. Other political education activities for 2025
  - B. McDougall emphasizes the need for expertise in analyzing the political dimensions of employment relationships and suggests developing this capacity within the union.
  - K. Brook mentions the CLC's potential resources and the union's outreach to international labor organizations.
  - The discussion concludes with a focus on the upcoming strategy session in early February and the need for a strong political caucus in organizing efforts.

## 7. Closing of meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 1pm.

The above record of decisions is accepted as a true representation of the Education Sub-Committee meeting held on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025.