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THE NUFA COMMUNICATIONS
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MAY 2013 - AGM SUMMARY

AGM
Annual General Meeting



The NUFA Executive and the Communications Committee would like to thank all those who attended the most recent Annual General Meeting on Wednesday May 8th. As many of you are no doubt especially busy this time of year, the Communications Committee has assembled this supplementary issue of the NUFA NEWS summarizing the highlights of this last AGM for those who were unable to attend. We would like to thank all of you for your continued support of NUFA and we would especially like to thank those of you who have so generously volunteered your time for service with NUFA on both Association and Non-Association committees and other bodies. Our association is only as strong as the collective solidarity of its membership.



ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST:

- A NUFA Special Acquisitions Grant was approved, specifically aimed at increasing monograph collections in the library to a maximum of \$5000 in each of the next three years. The Library Advisory Committee will administer the competition, and it will be open to all faculty members to make proposals
- New space for the NUFA Office (the Employer has provided a floor plan involving major renovations)
- Discussions with the Employer regarding an Ombuds Office (based on requests from NUFA)
- Second formal request for professional documents (e.g. tenure and promotion application/ dossier, application for sabbatical, sabbatical report, annual report, etc.) to establish a NUFA Document Repository
- Completion of a Grievance Handbook for Members which may be found on the NUFA Website at www.nufa.ca/documents
- A Strike Preparedness Handbook is under way
- Year-end Financial Report and 2013-2014 Budget approval; 2012-2013 ended with a surplus that may go to a special fund for bargaining or legal expenses; investments are being moved to a brokerage house for potential greater return
- CASBU Collective Bargaining Committee preparations begun, CA expires April 30, 2014
- Chief Negotiators Hilary Earl and Mark Crane re-appointed
- A special appeal for Faculty of Education Representatives on the CBC, as long-serving members Jennifer Barnett and Todd Horton are stepping down after at least three rounds of FASBU bargaining; Education members are needed as they would understand the particular issues in their faculty

ANNUAL REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:

- The Scholarship Committee reported \$6100 in Textbook Bursaries awarded and \$8200 in Learning Opportunity Awards; in addition NUFA provides \$6000 in Academic Achievement Awards and \$2000 in emergency bursary monies
- The Grievance Committee reported a slight decrease in issues from last year, with most issues being resolved in the informal stage, signifying that our Employer is open to collegial problem-solving
- The Constitution Committee brought forward a number of proposed amendments, which were all approved, and included: adding the Executive Assistant to the Definitions; providing clearer language on fees; simplifying the duties of the Past-President and CASBU Officer respectively; removing redundancies; lowering the requirement for a vote of non-confidence in keeping with other associations; moving elections up on the AGM agenda; lowering the requirement for quorum at general meetings and moving the requirement to a number of Members rather than a percentage which is also in keeping with other associations since the Membership numbers fluctuate and our requirement seemed quite high; and becoming more inclusive with the title and mandate of the Women's Committee
- The Communications Committee reported on the nine NUFA Information Bulletins that were published throughout the collective bargaining process, along with the three regular editions of the NUFA News, and one special NUFA Bulletin at the end of bargaining
- The Social Committee reported on the four NUFA Socials that had been planned for the year (Fall, Holiday, Winter, and Spring) and on the attempts to include socials on the satellite campuses
- The Women's Committee (now Gender Equity and Diversity Committee) reported on ongoing discussions with the Employer for an on-site daycare facility and reported on faculty gender ratios
- Faculty encouraged to participate in CAUT's "Get Science Right" and "Canada's Past Matters" campaigns

ELECTION RESULTS FOR NUFA EXECUTIVE, STANDING COMMITTEES, AND REPRESENTATIVES ON NON-ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES/BODIES

Executive

President

Rob Breton

Vice-President

Susan Srigley

Treasurer

Dan Walters

CASBU Officer

Joseph Boivin

Grievance Officers

Sal Renshaw

Jeff Scott

Member at Large for Applied and Professional

Manuel Litalien

Member at Large for Arts and Science

Pavlina Radia

Member at Large for Education

Mike Parr

Member at Large for CASBU

Corina Irwin

Past-President

Gyllie Phillips

Standing Committees

Communication Committee*

David Borman

Rhiannon Don

Richard Wenghofer

Constitution Committee

Adam Adler

David Tabachnick

Larry Patriquin

Timothy Sibbald

Grievance Committee

President

Vice-President

Grievance Officers

CASBU Officer

CASBU representative (Corina Irwin)

Pension and Benefits

Hilary Earl

Dana Murphy

Scholarship Committee

Adam Adler

Natalya Brown

Kim Eyre

Darren Campbell

Social Committee*

Steven Arnocky

Liz Ashworth

Natalya Brown

Doug Gosse

Women's Committee (Gender Equity and Diversity Committee)

Roger Bernardes

Lanyan Chen

Kurt Clausen

Rosemary Nagy



Representatives on Non-Association Committee/Bodies

CAUT Defense Fund

Nathan Colborne

CAUT Defense Fund Alternate

James Abbott

CAUT Council and OCUFA Representative

Vice-President

University Harassment and Discrimination Committee

Linda Piper

Joint Health and Safety*

(Main Campus, one FASBU and one CASBU Member)

Kelly Morris

Joint Health and Safety*

(Bracebridge Campus, one FASBU and one CASBU Member)

Joint Health and Safety*

(Brantford Campus, one FASBU and one CASBU Member)

Christine Cho

Safe Campus Evaluation and Assessment Team*

Observer for TPU, Primary

Jeff Dech

Observer for TPU, Alternate

Jennifer Barnett

Observer for TPF, Applied and Professional

Nancy Maynes

Observer for TPF, Arts and Science

Cameron McFarlane

Observer for TPF, Education

Jennifer Barnett

Board of Governors Reps *:

Terry Campbell (Non-senate rep.)

Jeff Scott (Senate rep.)

Roxanna Vernescu (Senate rep.)

**ADDITIONAL NON SENATE
REP NEEDED**

*** Indicates that a Committee has one or more vacancies.**

If you are not yet on a 2013-2014 NUFA Committee, please sign up today!

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to volunteer

