

**REPORT FROM THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT, ATLANTIC
TO THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MARCH 2024**

Brothers, Sisters and Friends:

Please accept my activity report as the Regional Executive Vice-President, Atlantic.

Over the past few months, the Atlantic region has held various mobilization events for different bargaining units, our Atlantic Regional Council Directors have started the work of council committees, and our regional committees have been busy hosting events and membership meetings.

REGIONALIZATION

ATLANTIC COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Atlantic Regional Council committees met virtually to discuss recommendations for the next Regional Council meeting to implement in the region.

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Our regional committees have held annual general meetings to elect new or existing members to their executives. It has been a pleasure running these elections and meeting former and new members across the region. They have plans to ignite the membership and plan new and exciting activities.

EDUCATION

The Atlantic Regional winter education schedule was released in December 2023. Courses are running all winter to educate our members.

The first step of the Atlantic Union Leadership Development Program is happening virtually over the winter. Members met online at a meet and greet, and they have been communicating via the education app.

NEGOTIATION AND MOBILIZATION

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY - POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWS

Postdoctoral fellows at Dalhousie university received a strike mandate from their membership in December 2023. The bargaining team continued negotiations with a conciliator and the university in January 2024. The local has continued to put pressure on the employer through radio and newspaper ads.

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY – GRANT PAID EMPLOYEES

Grant paid workers at Dalhousie University are in negotiations for their first collective agreement. The PSAC bargaining team and employer met in January 2024 and the local are starting to ramp up mobilization events to ensure all local members know what stage of bargaining they are in.

HALIFAX INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Workers at the Halifax International Airport are currently in bargaining and are starting to ramp up pressure and mobilize members.

GANDER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Members ratified a new collective agreement. The collective agreement has an expiry date of April 6, 2028.

MARINE ATLANTIC

Members ratified a new collective agreement in November 2023.

I.M.P. GROUP LTD - CFB GANDER

Workers at IMP Gander are working on a joint mobilize strategy with PSAC's IMP Comox local. Both locals are in bargaining and the employer will not properly staff the Comox location and continues to fly workers from Gander to cover.

SERCO CANADA

Workers at SERCO in Goosebay, Labrador have elected a bargaining team and are starting negotiations with the employer.

ESKASONI FIRST NATION

Members working in schools at Eskasoni First Nation are hosting mobilization events to ensure that their members are aware of negotiations. They have been hosting events within the community to also gain community support.

CANADIAN CORPS OF COMMISSIONAIRES - NOVA SCOTIA DIVISION

The Nova Scotia Commissionaires recently announced that they will not bid on the Halifax Harbour Bridge contract. The employer has shared a thorough transition plan with the membership to place them in other positions within the organization.

UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

PSAC continues to meet with the University to negotiate a first collective agreement for Researchers at the University of Prince Edward Island.

POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVISM

NOVA SCOTIA FEDERATION OF LABOUR CONVENTION

From November 5-7 the Nova Scotia Federation of Labour (NSFL) hosted their convention in Halifax, NS. PSAC Atlantic members attending the convention and elected two representatives to sit on the NSFL executive.

Canada Life Lobbying

Members across the region have been lobbying their Members of Parliament to ensure that they are aware of the Canada Life transition flaws. Some MPs have written to Anita Anand, President of Treasury Board, in support of our members.

Phoenix Events

The regional reps and regional coordinator met with the REVP's office to make plans for various events in the region to highlight the eighth anniversary of the Phoenix pay disaster.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our members across the Atlantic, PSAC Atlantic Regional Council, RVP/NVPs/Branch President's and local leadership for their commitment and hard work in the region. Also, thank you to the PSAC staff for their continued support and dedication to our union's work.

Lastly, you will find enclosed the details of the REVP's activities from November 2023 to February 2024.

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Di Liberatore
Regional Executive Vice-President, Atlantic

November 2023

| Date | Event | Location |
|-------|--|-----------|
| 1-3 | Meeting of the NBoD | Ottawa |
| 1 | DCL RSCC – DAL Postdocs | Virtual |
| 1 | Meeting of the Saint John Area Council | Virtual |
| 5-7 | NS Federation of Labour Convention | Halifax |
| 6 | AEC Budget Meeting | Virtual |
| 8 | Atlantic Organizing Plan | Virtual |
| 8 | Meeting of the Moncton Area Council | Virtual |
| 10 | Meeting with SERCO UNDE Local | Goose Bay |
| 15-16 | Meeting of the AEC | Ottawa |
| 16 | IMP Mobilization Meeting | Virtual |

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| 17 | DCL RSCC – DAL Postdocs | Virtual |
| 18 | DCL School of Business Employees Union – AGM | Virtual |
| 20 | Charlottetown Human Rights Committee Meeting | Charlottetown |
| 21 | Meeting with USJE local 60003 Executive | Fredericton |
| 21 | Site Visit – AGR Local 60067 (Fish Hatchery) | Oromocto |
| 22 | DCL PTSU (UNB Professional and Technical Staff Union) campus site visit and AGM | Fredericton |
| 23 | DCL RSCC – Eskasoni Teachers’ Union | Virtual |
| 23 | St. John’s Human rights Committee AGM | Virtual |
| 27-28 | CLC Training Session and Lobby Day | Ottawa |
| 28 | NBoD Area Council Resolutions Committee | Ottawa |
| 28 | AEC Meeting | Virtual |
| 29 | NS Federation of Labour Finance Meeting | Virtual |
| 29 | UNDE Local 60380 AGM (NPF) | Virtual |
| 30 | Atlantic Region Staff Meeting | Virtual |
| 30 | DCL STUSAU (St Thomas University Support & Admin Union) AGM | Virtual |

December 2023

| Date | Event | Location |
|-------------|--|-----------------|
| 1 | UTE Local 60005 Holiday Social | Saint John |
| 2 | Cape Breton Area Council Bowling Event | Sydney |
| 6 | Firefighter Toy Drive Donation | Corner Brook |
| 7 | Meeting with Gander Wing Commander | Gander |
| 8 | Emergency RSCC – DCL DAL Postdocs | Virtual |
| 11-12 | Meeting of the AEC | Ottawa |
| 13-14 | Meeting of the NBoD | Ottawa |
| 15-17 | National Leadership Conference | Ottawa |

January 2024

| Date | Event | Location |
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| 8 | Regional Council Health & Safety Committee Meeting | Virtual |
| 9 | Regional Council Political Action Committee Meeting | Virtual |
| 10 | RSCC - Halifax International Airport Authority | Virtual |
| 12 | Meeting with Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives – NS | Virtual |
| 15 | Meeting re: Atlantic Young Workers Conference | Virtual |
| 16 | Regional Council Women’s Committee Meeting | Virtual |
| 16 | AGM of AGR Local 90076 | Virtual |
| 17 | Meeting re: Atlantic DCL Conference | Virtual |
| 22-23 | Meeting of the AEC | Ottawa |
| 24 | St. John’s Area Council Meeting | St. John’s |
| 25 | St. John’s Young Workers AGM | St. John’s |
| 25 | Internal Meeting re: DAL Postdocs | Virtual |
| 26 | Phoenix Planning Discussion – Regional Reps | Virtual |
| 29 | RSCC – DAL Postdocs | Virtual |
| 30 | RSCC – Dalhousie Grant Paid | Virtual |

February 2024

| Date | Event | Location |
|-------------|--|-----------------|
| 1-8 | Vacation Leave | Leave |
| 15 | Western NL Area Council AGM | Virtual |
| 15 | Moncton Human Rights Committee AGM | Virtual |
| 21-27 | PSAC Finance Convention Committee Meetings | Ottawa |