



CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES
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CUPE 5523 Members,

Hard to believe we are mid-way through September. With the weather as nice as it has been, it feels like summer is refusing to give way to autumn! Hopefully everyone has settled back into their schools and sites after what was a very busy start up.

Thank you to all who attended the Welcome Back BBQ on Saturday, September 10 at Kal Park. We had a great time re-connecting with co-workers, and the kids really seemed to enjoy the games, bubbles, and candy bags. After two long years of not being able to socialize in person, it was wonderful to come back together, and was a great way to start the school year.

We need your help!!

Our Executive is currently without a Membership Officer and Shop Stewards in the following departments: Clerical, Transportation and Custodial. Stepping into one of these positions would be the perfect opportunity to help your fellow union members, try out a position on our Executive, and see what the union is all about. You would only be committed until the general elections are held in January 2023, although of course we would hope you would stay on in the role. Shop Steward training is available, and the Union would cover the cost of your book-off from work. These are important roles within the Union, and we are all stronger when we step up and support each other.

Please reply to this email or email Gray at president@cupe5523.ca if you are interested in any of the positions. We would love to have your help!!

Our next general meeting will be Saturday, September 24 at 9 am at VSS. With bargaining at a provincial and local level happening currently, there will be lots to talk about. If you have not yet sworn in, please plan to attend!!

Best wishes,

Kim Doucette

Vice-President, CUPE 5523