

## Professional & Technical Staff Union

at the University of New Brunswick in Saint John and Fredericton

## NEWSLETTER

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## CAN YOU SERVE ON THE PTSU MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE ???

As we head into collective bargaining for the next Professional and Technical Staff Union (PTSU) collective agreement, a Local Mobilization Team is being put in place and the Executive Board is looking for **your** help! What does "**mobilization**" mean and what does a Mobilization Team do?

**Mobilization** allows Union Locals like your PTSU to, in an organized way, educate members on issues, particularly as it relates to upcoming collective bargaining, and to help get strong levels of member participation in any action that is taken surrounding collective bargaining. Unions are strongest when they have an informed and active membership!

What does a Mobilization Team do? Under the leadership of a PTSU mobilization coordinator:

- Speaks, one-on-one, to PTSU Members, making sure information that is released about what is happening with the ongoing collective bargaining process gets to everyone;
- Distributes pamphlets, posters, desktop materials, 'wearables' (buttons, specific clothing colors, etc.), etc., that will support the efforts of your PTSU Negotiating Team in reaching timely and positive collective agreement particulars/changes;
- Organizes specific work areas for any 'action' efforts in support of the collective bargaining process, i.e. parades, flyer distribution, rallies, lobbying, etc.

Would you be willing to offer to serve your Union Local doing mobilization? If you can, please let your PTSU Executive Board know. Reach out to us at <u>PTSU60551@gmail.com</u> and advise you want to be on the Mobilization Team and part of the action. We would like to hear back from each of you soonest and not later than <u>Friday, June 17</u>. We anticipate 'mobilization' will really ramp up come September and into the Fall of 2022 and onward as we work to reach a new collective agreement.

Email us – PTUS60551@gmail.com – and let us know your interest in serving!

## NEW PTSU EMPLOYEE SESSIONS BEING HELD

With much of COVID, hopefully, in our rear-view mirrors, the Professional and Technical Staff Union (PTSU) is starting to hold '**New Employee Meetings**' as per Letter of Understanding (LOU) #1 of the PTSU/UNB Collective Agreement. These sessions will be by invitation to newly hired PTSU members holding bargaining unit positions. We have already held one very successful in-person session on the Saint John campus, and we will soon be having the initial Fredericton campus session for any members who became employed in PTSU positions during the pandemic. You will receive an email invitation to theses session(s). They are **not** mandatory-attendance, but it is of some importance for your information as a Union member, and we encourage you to be there. In addition to learning about the relationship between you and the collective agreement, this will be a chance to complete your PSAC Membership Application and/or pick up a hard-copy of your collective agreement. Stay tuned to your email inbox(es) for your invitation!

You can access your PTSU Collective Agreement on the PTSU website <a href="https://www.ptsu60551.ca/">https://www.ptsu60551.ca/</a> Want to get in touch with us? Always available at <a href="https://www.ptsu60551.ca/">PTSU60551@GMAIL.com</a> Stay up-to-date at <a href="https://www.ptsu60551.ca/">https://www.ptsu60551.ca/</a>



