Report to the PSAC Atlantic Regional Council

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| **Constituency (area, equity, etc.): Provincial Director for Nova Scotia** | |
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| **Activities since the last Regional Council meeting** | |
| **Activity** | **How it fulfilled my role on the Regional Council** |
| April 13, 2015 – Participate on CLC Telephone Town Hall | Ensure I am up to speed on the CLC’s plans for the coming election |
| April 20, 2015 – Organized and attend meeting of NS Area Council 1 | Continue efforts to engage and mobilize members to become politically active. Begin planning of Public Service week events |
| April 26, 2015-May 1, 2015 PSAC National Triennial Convention | Attended as a delegate representing Area Councils. Networked with other Area Council/ Region council directors from other regions to share best practices and ideas for possible political action activities. |
| May 7-9 Atlantic Regional Council Meetings | Conducting committee work and discussing issues of importance to the Atlantic Region and bringing forward issues of importance or concern from the Nova Scotia membership that have been brought to my attention |
| May 13, 2015 – CLC Time for Change event | Join with brothers and Sisters of the CLC to mobilize for the upcoming federal election. |
| May 14, 2015 – Greet Stephen Harper in Truro | Attended the rally/protest to show support to Labour/community partners/Social Justice Partners. Defend Public Services and make sure the message that it is time to Heave Steve in October was heard loud and clear. |
| May 19, 2015 - Organized and attend meeting of NS Area Council 1 | Continue efforts to engage and mobilize members to become politically active. continue planning of Public Service week events and potential door knocker canvass |
| May 19, 2015 – Serve Lunch at Souls Harbour Rescue Mission | Join with community and social justice partners to feed the homeless in Halifax and spread the word to defend public services. |
| June 5, 2015 – Planning meeting for Area Council Public Service Week BBQ | Come together with our brothers and sisters to take back PSW from the employer. |
| June 16, 2015 – Attend Rally in support of Striking (locked out?) Halifax Water Workers | Standing in solidarity with our Brothers and Sisters of CUPE who after giving notice to strike were locked out by their employer. |
| June 19, 2015 – Attend PSW BBQ, act as MC for speakers | Defend Public Services while showing members how much they are appreciated. Have public and members sign petition to Tony Clement |
| June 18, 2015 – Attend PSW BBQ at UTE Local 80003 | Defend Public Services while showing members how much they are appreciated. Have public and members sign petition to Tony Clement |
| June 20, 2015 – Consult with Regional Rep on the proposed Fall Education Schedule. | Discuss the proposed schedule and provide input on what training the members in Nova Scotia are requesting |
| July 7, 2015 Organized and attend meeting of NS Area Council 1 | Continue efforts to engage and mobilize members to become politically active. |
| July 25, 2015 – March in Halifax Pride Parade | Supporting the LGBTQ Community , and making our union visible at these events |
| August 19, 2015 – Education Committee Conference Call | Participate as a member of the education committee for preparation of the 3year education cycle plan |
| August 23, 2015 – Door to Door Canvass with Hassan Youseff and Robert Chisholm | Volunteer on door to door canvass to help reelect a very Labour friendly candidate |
| September 3-4, 2015 Education Committee Meetings | Attend as a member of the Education Committee of Council to continue work on the 3yr education plan. |
| September 3, 2015 – participate on Atlantic Council Conference Call | Discuss issues of importance to the Atlantic Region and the Workings of the Atlantic Council during the Election where Sister Baldwin has taken a leave to run as a Candidate in the Federal riding of Avalon |
| September 7, 2015 – Attend Labour Day march and Rally | Join with Sisters and Brothers to celebrate the accomplishments of the Labour Movement , help make PSAC visible at Public Events |
| September 9, 2015 - Organized and attend meeting of NS Area Council 1 | Continue efforts to engage and mobilize members to become politically active. Plan upcoming telephone canvasses of PSAC Members in Targeted Ridings to provide them with non-partisan information for the upcoming election. |
| September 12, 2015 |  |
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| **Challenges you had to cope with since the last meeting** | |
| The biggest challenge I had to deal with on a personal level was staying organized and ensuring I was able to balance my Home, Union, and Work responsibilities. The reality of my life is that I wear many hats and it is sometimes difficult to juggle all of those responsibilities. All of these aspects of my life are very important to me, and I find the work very fulfilling and will continue to strive for better service to the members I represent on the Atlantic Regional Council.  Other Challenges I faced were getting members mobilized to volunteer with federal election candidates to help elect a Labour friendly government on October 19.  In Mid-September I moved from Dartmouth to Coldbrook, NS which, for a short period of time, limited my availability to attend volunteer functions for the federal election campaign. | |
| **What would you like to work on next?** | |
| I have been volunteering with MP Robert Chisholm to assist with his bid for re-election as the MP for the targeted riding of Dartmouth - Cole Harbour.  I would like to work with the other Council Directors in NS to work on a communication plan with the members to build on the increased member engagement we have seen at recent events such as the rally in Truro, NS to “welcome” Steven Harper to the Province. | |