

Summary of CUPE 2357 General Membership Meeting - May 31, 2022

Key Points:

- **Financial Update:** The local union's financial status was reviewed, including the bank balance and GIC investment.
- **Executive Board Report:**
 - Discussed the impact of the recent storm on members and the relief fund established.
 - Provided updates on strike preparedness, including a planned strike vote and participation in OSBCU events.
 - Announced the summer office closure and encouraged members to stay updated via email.
- **Committee Reports:**
 - **Steward Report:** Highlighted ongoing issues such as workload, staffing, and accommodation requests.
 - **Grievance Report:** Provided updates on various grievances, including those related to sick leave, tutor positions, and duty to accommodate.
 - **Health & Safety Report:** Emphasized the importance of reporting accidents and incidents.
 - **Mobilization Committee Report:** Detailed efforts to mobilize members, including letter-writing campaigns, photo petitions, and school visits.
 - **Member Care Committee Report:** Explained the process for accessing the Member Care Fund, especially in light of the recent storm.
- **Elections and Installations:** Joanne Howell was acclaimed as 1st Vice-President.
- **Trustee Report:** The report highlighted concerns about financial transparency and the need for improved expense tracking.
- **Bargaining Update:** Information was shared about upcoming bargaining, the strike vote, and strike preparedness.
- **OTIP Partnership:** The local union has partnered with OTIP, which will result in a financial benefit.

Overall, the meeting focused on financial updates, member support, mobilization efforts, and preparations for upcoming contract negotiations.

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