

# 46th Annual CUPE ONTARIO CONVENTION TORONTO





In accordance with Article 4 of the constitution, you are hereby notified that the forty-sixth annual convention of this division will convene at the SHERATON CENTRE, TORONTO at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 27th, and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 30th, 2009. French simultaneous translation, ASL interpretation and real time captioning will be provided.

#### REPRESENTATION

At all conventions of this division, the basis of representation from affiliated organizations shall be from local unions paying per capita tax on:

1 to 100 members	<ul> <li>TWO delegates</li> </ul>	501 to 600	<ul> <li>SEVEN delegates</li> </ul>
101 to 200	<ul> <li>THREE delegates</li> </ul>	601 to 700	<ul> <li>EIGHT delegates</li> </ul>
201 to 300	<ul> <li>FOUR delegates</li> </ul>	701 to 850	<ul> <li>NINE delegates</li> </ul>
301 to 400	FIVE delegates	851 to 1000	<ul> <li>TEN delegates</li> </ul>
401 to 500	SIX delegates		_

and one additional delegate for each additional 500 memberships or major portion thereof. [Article 4(d)1]

From district councils the basis for representation shall be two delegates per affiliated council. For councils of unions, the basis for representation shall be one delegate per affiliated council of unions. Representatives from district councils or councils of unions must hold membership in an affiliated local union. [Article 4(d)2.a)]

To be entitled to representation in convention, a local union shall have paid per capita tax on its total membership up to and including <u>March 31<sup>st</sup></u> of the year in which the convention is held. Such payment must be received by <u>April 30<sup>th</sup></u>. [Article 4(d)2.b)]

The membership upon which the per capita payment for the last quarter of the calendar year preceding convention is made shall be used for the purpose of determining delegate representation at Convention. A district council or council of unions shall have paid its annual affiliation fee by <u>April 30<sup>th</sup></u>. [Article 4(d)2.c) & d)]

Local unions having less than one hundred (100) full-time members or equivalent (as determined in accordance with the formula set out in Article 9(a) for the payment of per capita tax on part time members) may make application to the executive board for transportation and registration fee subsidization to assist in their sending of a delegate to the division convention, and the executive board is empowered to act thereon [Article 4(d)2.e)].

### **Compliance with National Constitution**

Article 6.7 of the national constitution provides that no organization, in arrears two (2) or more months with per capita tax payments to the national union, will be allowed representation at a division convention.

#### **Alternate Delegates**

An affiliated local union, district council or council of unions may elect alternate delegates to attend annual conventions. An alternate delegate shall be entitled to attend sessions of the convention, shall be entitled to voice but no vote, except in the absence of a duly elected delegate. For the purpose of this section, the duly elected alternate delegate must be in possession of a delegate's badge prior to being afforded vote. [Article 4(e)1]

At all conventions of this division, the basis of alternate delegate representation from affiliated organizations shall be from local unions paying per capita tax on:

75 members or less • ONE alternate 501 to 1000 • THREE alternates 76 to 500 • TWO alternates 1001 and up • FOUR alternates

From district councils or councils of unions, the basis for representation shall be one alternate per affiliated council. Representation from district councils or councils of unions must hold membership in an affiliated local union. [Article 4(e)2].

#### **RESOLUTIONS AND AMENDMENTS**

All resolutions to be considered at a convention must be submitted by a local union or district council, or by the executive board of the division, or committee thereof, so that they are in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer no later than <u>SEVENTY-FIVE (75)</u> <u>DAYS</u> prior to the convention, and **must not exceed 200 words in total**.

All resolutions must be submitted under the <u>letterhead of the affiliate</u> submitting same, and signed by the <u>PRESIDING OFFICER and SECRETARY</u> of such affiliate. [Article 4(h)]

# THE CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIVING RESOLUTIONS IS FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2009

**N.B.** If faxing (416) 299-3480 or e-mailing (fhahn@cupe.on.ca) resolution(s), please ensure that all originals are forwarded to the division office immediately thereafter.

#### **CONVENTION COMMITTEES**

One of the most responsible and important contributions to an efficient convention is the work carried out by the five convention committees:

#### RESOLUTIONS • CONSTITUTIONS • WAYS & MEANS • CREDENTIALS • DISTRIBUTION

To be eligible to serve on the Resolutions, Constitution, Ways & Means and Credentials Committees, you must be a <u>registered delegate</u> to the convention. [Article 4(i)] You will be required to attend a pre-convention meeting as follows:

Resolutions Committees • Mon & Tues, April 27 & 28, CUPE Ontario office
Constitution Committee • Wed, April 29, CUPE Ontario office
Ways & Means Committee • Thurs & Fri, May 7 & May 8, CUPE Ontario Office

Crestentials Committee Thurs & Fil, May 7 & May 0, COPE Official Office

Credentials Committee • Tuesday, May 26, at the Sheraton Centre

To serve on the **Distribution Committee**, you must be a member in good standing but not necessarily a delegate and will be required to attend a meeting **Wednesday**, **May 27**<sup>st</sup> at the **Sheraton Centre**.

The division will be responsible for payment of expenses for the pre-convention meetings, i.e. per diem (\$60 full day; \$30 half day), hotel accommodation, lost time and any necessary travel.

If you wish to serve on a convention committee (meeting the above requirements), contact your local and ask that your name is submitted to the division office no later than February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009 so that selections may be made.

Note: Credentials will be sent by the end of February

# REGISTRATION BEGINS: 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> REGISTRATION FEE

DELEGATE	ALTERNATE	GUEST
\$325 after May 1 \$375	\$325 after May 1 \$375	\$200

Please make cheques payable to *CUPE Ontario*.

Original credentials MUST accompany cheque. We do not accept faxes.

305 Milner Ave., Suite 801, Scarborough, Ontario M1B 3V4 Phone: (416) 299-9739

# HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Delegate accommodations are to be made through W. E. Travel.

**Phone:** Toll Free at 1-888-676-7747

On line Feb 1, 2009: www.cupe.on.ca

Click on "Convention 2009"

Click on "Hotel Reservations" and follow the screen prompts

CUT OFF DATE: April 27, 2009

We will lose our block of rooms after this date.

We are encouraging our delegates to use the Sheraton Centre as the convention hotel. Our block of rooms will be able to house all delegates, alternates, staff and guests.

## **SHERATON CENTRE**

Single/Double	\$199.00
Club Level	\$259.00
Suites	\$259.00
Additional person	\$30.00

(Plus taxes: 5% Provincial Sales Tax, 5% GST)

## TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Please make your travel arrangements through W. E. Travel, which is staffed by CUPE members and will provide the best possible fares.

Phone: 1-613-232-9908 Toll Free: 1-888-676-7747