

TRADES CONFERENCE 2018

January 31-February 3, 2018, Crowne Plaza Niagara Falls

DRAFT AGENDA

Wednesday, January 31st

- 3:00 – 6:30pm Registration
- 6:30 – 8:00pm Aboriginal Prayer/greetings
Equality Statement
Greetings Equity Representative
Opening Plenary, call to order, Introductions Gaetano Franco
Keith Levere - President CUPE Niagara District Council
Approval of Agenda
Chair's report/Adoption of Report – Gaetano Franco
Candace Rennick – CUPE Ontario Secretary-Treasurer
- 8:00pm Welcome reception

Thursday, February 1st

- 8:00 – 9:00am Registration
- 9:00 – 10:45am Call to order
Chris Watson – CUPE Legislative Liaison – Report on:
- Legislative/Political Issues from Last Conference
- Legislation Updates
- 2018 Provincial Election
- 10:45 – 11:00am Lifestyle break
- 11:00 – 12:00pm Guest Speaker: Irene Harris, Former Board Member College of Trades/
CUPE Rep.
- 12:00 – 1:00pm Lunch break
- 1:00 – 2:00pm Venai Raniga – CUPE Researcher – Bill 148 Labour Law Reform
- 2:00 – 4:30pm Discussion groups (each delegate will take all 4)
• Women and Trades
• Health & Safety on the Job/know your rights
• Young Workers in Trades
• Trades Contract Language Improvements

Friday, February 2nd

- 9:00am – 10:45am Panel discussion and Q&A
- Pat Dillon, Business Manager and Secretary-Treasurer, Provincial Building and Construction Trades Council of Ontario
 - George Gritziotis, New CEO, College of Trades
 - Gord Falconer, Chief of Staff, IAMAW Canada
 - Irene Harris, Former Board Member College of Trades/CUPE Rep.
- 10:45 – 11:00am Lifestyle break
- 11:00 – 11:30am Andréane Chénier - Health & Safety Issues and Q&A
- 11:30 – 12:30pm International Trade Deals (CETA, NAFTA, TPP) Angella MacEwen Senior Economist Canadian Labour Congress
- 12:30 – 1:30pm Lunch Break
- 1:30 – 2:00pm Wayne Gates, MPP for Niagara Falls
- 2:00 – 4:30pm Discussion groups (each delegate will take all 4)
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Saturday, February 3rd

- 9:00 – 12:00pm Report on Convention Resolutions that affect Trades
Report back from discussion groups
Action Plan Present/Questions/Comment/Changes/Adoption
Adjournment