CUPE Ontario Library Workers Caucus April 7, 2025 Agenda



Library Workers: Not All Cardigans and Kittens

- 8:30am Registration and Breakfast: Sponsored by: Mississauga – Local 1989 Whitby – Local 53 Kingston Frontenac – Local 2201 North Bay – Local 122 CUPE 905 Hamilton – Local 932
- 9:00am Equality Statement Land Acknowledgement UN Declaration Welcome Remarks: **Kim Burgess**, CUPE Ontario Library Workers Committee Chair **Fred Hahn**, CUPE Ontario President **Yolanda McLean**, CUPE Ontario Secretary-Treasurer
- 10:00am Keynote Speaker: **Kendra Cowle**y, Librarian, Toronto Public Library and organizer, Ontario Library Workers for Supervised Consumption Sites

The Impact of Closing Safe Consumption Sites on Libraries

- 10:45 Break
- 11:00am Keynote Speakers: **Mary Ellen Ruddell**, Director of Mental Health Court Support and Peer Support Services Canadian Mental Health Association, Hamilton and **Misty Thaler**, Peer Support Worker, Canadian Mental Health Association, Hamilton

The Peer Support Worker Program at Hamilton Public Library

- 12:30pm Working Lunch Sponsored by Toronto Public Library Local 4948
- 1:00pm Library Levy Update
- 1:15pm Ontario Public Library Week Campaign Recap
- 1:30pm Resolutions Update (Ontario) / Brainstorm (National)
- 2:00pm Speaker: **Diana Christie**, CUPE National Servicing Representative, Associate Co-ordinator – Libraries

Bargaining Trends and Wins in the Library Sector

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- 2:30pm Local Reports
- 3:15pm Break
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- 4:15pm Draws/Prizes
- 4:30pm Closing Remarks