

Glendon Officer Report, May 2016

Bonjour et merci! 2016 has been interesting so far. The weather has a mind of its own and summer doesn't want to make an appearance! We continued with our bi-weekly evening meetings for the Executive Board, and continued to fight for the rights of our workers.

At Glendon, I have continued to keep the membership informed of different initiatives as well as sending updated information coming out of the YusApuY office. The Glendon members would still like to see the same programs and workshops being offered to their Keele counterparts and I am very vocal with YusApuY and HR to try and get those same programs here at the Glendon Campus – it is getting better.

It is great to see more and more interest and enthusiasm from the Glendon members with regards to your Union. Glendon members that are involved with YUSA are: Rosa Tarulli from IT, YusApuY Steward; Mathew Kensett, Glendon Theatre (on parental leave) YUSA Health & Safety, Joint Health & Safety Committee (JHSC) as well as the Joint Ergonomics Committee (JEC); Francesca Di Rosa, Hispanic Studies, Job Evaluation Committee. And lastly myself, Scarlett Farquhar – Glendon Officer, YUSA Steward, YUSA Health & Safety, JHSC, JEC, Community Safety Council, Bargaining Committee and CCU Trustee. Glendon members are getting involved with OUR union and that is fantastic, but we are always looking for more people to get involved!

We have started the Brown Bag lunches. The first one for the year was a generic “come and ask us anything to do with YUSA.” A handful of people came out and asked lots of questions. It was really great to see! We look forward to more of these information sessions throughout the year.

Coming up in June we have our annual YUSA BBQ lunch! This is always nice to get everyone on the Glendon campus together to meet and chat outside of our offices. I know that I look forward to seeing everyone.

For three days at the end of June I will be attending the Confederation of Canadian Unions (CCU) Executive Board meeting in Charlottetown, PEI. I was elected as one of two Trustees of the CCU at Convention last October, and will continue in that role until the next Convention in October 2017.

Well, that is my mid-year report...I look forward to updating you all next in October at the AGM and to working with you all for the rest of the year. If you haven't been receiving my emails about Glendon initiatives or YusApuY news, please contact me at sfarquhar@gl.yorku.ca and I will add you to my email list. If there are any classes, workshops or courses you want to see at Glendon, please email me and let me know.

In Solidarity/en solidarité,

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