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HEU members invited to apply for province-wide union subcommittees

Provincial Executive seeks local activists to help guide union's work on a range of issues over the next two years

HEU's Provincial Executive (P.E.) is seeking applications from local activists who are interested in joining a P.E. subcommittee.

HEU's subcommittees generally meet twice a year, though members of the committees will be expected to engage in activities related to their subcommittee's work between meetings.

There are two P.E. members, and five members selected from the HEU membership, on each subcommittee. The subcommittees are co-chaired by a member of the Provincial Executive and by one of the subcommittee members drawn from the membership.

"This is an opportunity for members who are passionate about an issue to put that enthusiasm to work for their union and their fellow members," says HEU secretary-business manager Judy Darcy.

"Grassroots participation in these subcommittees makes our union stronger, more effective and more democratic."

The union's P.E. subcommittees are: Anti-Privatization, Environment, Occupational Health and Safety, Political Action, Pensions, Global Justice and Peace, Men's Issues, and Young Workers.

In addition, the union is seeking Expression of Interest applications for the following five occupational subcommittees: Patient Care Technical, Clerical, Nursing Team, Trades and Maintenance, and Support.

Members can submit applications for up to two subcommittees, but must submit separate applications for each subcommittee. However, no member will be selected to sit on more than one subcommittee.

Members applying for occupational subcommittees must work in that job family.

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The committees will help implement convention decisions in their area of concern, help develop action plans, and reach out to members.

You can download an Expression of Interest form and Committee Descriptions from www.heu.org, or ask your local executive for copies.

You can also apply online at www.heu.org.

Applications must be submitted to the Provincial Office by 5:00 p.m. on January 7, 2011.

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