Joanna Adamiak

I am excited to run for the position of Treasurer because I bring useful skills and unique experience to the table. I have been a member of CUPE 3903 since 2005, in Unit 3 and Unit 1. This will be my first time running for the Executive and I look forward to the opportunity and challenge this possibility brings.

Most of my budget experience does not come from a union setting. However, I have been involved in the local in other ways. I was a Steward for Environmental Studies from 2008 to 2010 and was very active during the 2008-2009 strike, where I was a picket captain for Northwest Gate. I bring organizing and budget experience from my community organizing work. I have spent the last 9 years in Toronto working in various ways to promote community and fight oppression in the city and have been in charge of budgets from one day events to long-standing prisoner solidarity campaigns.

I want to be Treasurer because I want to contribute to the important work of the local being a transparent, accountable, and member-driven union. One important aspect of that work is supporting the committees who distribute the funds we have won in bargaining and making sure that members know about these funds. I want to see the local continue the important social justice and anti-oppression activist and solidarity work that we are known for in the community. I am a good fit for the job because I am detail-oriented, well organized, and good at balancing various tasks at the same time.

As we go into bargaining, I want to support the local in ensuring the books are balanced so that we are in a good position to access CUPE National Funds and are in the strongest bargaining position with the Employer.