

Toronto and York Region Labour Council – CUPE 3903 Delegate Report

April 7, 2016

Delegate present: Brian Mossop

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Note to readers: What do you think CUPE 3903 should be getting out of representation at the Labour Council? Are there labour issues we should take to Council? Should we bring Council campaigns to York campus? Write to me at brmossop@yorku.ca.

To find out about Council, and see photos of recent meetings and actions, visit

www.labourcouncil.ca. For calendar of Council events:

<http://www.labourcouncil.ca/calendar--145thanniversary.html>.

- Around 150 delegates attended the April 7 meeting of the Labour Council.
- There was a speaker on the Italian Fallen Workers Memorial to be inaugurated April 28 (www.ItalianFallenWorkersMemorial.com).
- There was a report on the MakeItFair campaign to reform Ontario's outdated labour laws (for events: www.makeitfair.ca).
- The international organization LabourStart will hold its 2016 global solidarity conference May 6-8 at Ryerson University <http://www.cupe2544.ca/labourstart-global-solidarity-conference-2016/>
- April 19 is Equal Pay Day. There will be an event at College & University at 12:30 pm. <https://www.facebook.com/events/182940572092196/>
- April 12 is the 145th anniversary of the founding of the Labour Council (in the aftermath of a strike by the Toronto Typographical Union in 1872). To mark this, YUFA delegate and labour historian Craig Heron mentioned PM Trudeau's inauguration claim that his cabinet 'looked like' Canada: Heron said it was good to see half women ministers, an Aboriginal minister and a Sikh minister, but where, he asked, were the workers?