

October 31, 2012

CUPE 3903 Communications Officer, Faiz Ahmed (2012-2013)

October Executive Report

Tuesday, October 09 - 2012

- Setup login and password information for the Communications Officer email address, and login to the CUPE 3903 website.
- Created a 'new user' (CommsOfficer) for the computer in the common room of the CUPE 3903 offices.
- Dropped into Mohan Mishra's office (unscheduled) to inquire about getting in touch with the web-designer at CUPE National in order to begin thinking about making aesthetic changes to the CUPE 3903 website.
 - Mohan sent an email to past Communications Officer, Claire Major, to inquire about her contact at CUPE National.
- Sent regrets to the CUPE 3903 Executive stating that I was unable to attend the Executive meeting on account of a doctor's appointment (quoted below):
"Hi comrades, I will not be able to make the exec-meeting on Thursday, Oct 11 - as I have a doctor's appointment at 3 (true story.) :)
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Sunday, October 14 - 2012

- Compiled News items and sent out CUPE News over the News-listserve & the Stewards Council listserve.

Tuesday, October 16 - 2012

- Met with two PostDocs, one of whom is the York University representative to the Canadian Association of PostDoctoral Scholars to discuss PostDoc organizing into CUPE 3903.
- Article 22 of Faculty Union references PostDocs at York.
- Faculty Relations have a list of PostDocs; and have given a copy to YUFA.
- PostDocs are going to look into setting up an association for PostDocs at York: York University PostDoctoral Association (YUPA).
- Questions to answer before next meeting: 1) Find out dues structure at 3903 for the three Units; 2) Find out which PostDocs can unionize (taxation structure).
- Meeting with interim website person cancelled.
- Updated CUPE 3903 website.
 - The "Newest News" section.

Wednesday, October 17 - 2012

- Called, TFAC Co-Chair, Marnina Norys, to receive over the phone training on editing the "Newest News" section of the CUPE 3903 website.
- Compiled News items and sent out CUPE News over the News-listserve & the Stewards Council listserve.

- Candidacy Statements for VP Unit 3 Elections.
- Updated CUPE 3903 website.
 - Uploaded Candidacy Statements for VP Unit 3 Elections.

Thursday, October 18 - 2012

- Attended in entirety (2:45 to 7:30pm), the CUPE 3903 Executive meeting (scheduled from 2:45 to 6:00pm).

Sunday, October 21 - 2012

- Compiled News items and sent out CUPE News over the News-listserve & the Stewards Council listserve.
- Updated website.
 - Uploaded the 2011-2014 Collective Agreements to the "Useful Documents" section of the website.
- Emailed Ian Clysdale at CUPE National about getting technical training on the CUPE website.

Tuesday, October 23 - 2012

- Forwarded two agenda items to the Alison Fisher, Chair of CUPE 3903, to be included on the Draft Agenda of the October 30th GMM (quoted below):
 - (a) Report back from the Student Power Working Group's attendance at the "Student Activist Assembly": October 12 & 13, 2012 I would suggest scheduling SP's report back to come after item 7 "Reports of committees and delegates" OR simply adding the words "working groups" to the item.
 - (b) "Good of the Union": From what I can tell, this agenda item is meant to inform the membership of birth and death notices of union members or their immediate family members.
 - Item "a" was unilaterally amended by the Chair to read "Student Power: - report back from Student Activist Assembly, October 12-13, 2012 (5 mins)"
 - Item "b" was unilaterally excluded from the Draft Agenda by the Chair.
- Posted the Draft Agenda for the October 30th GMM - as sent to me by the Chair - to the CUPE News listserve and Stewards Council listserve.

Thursday, October 25 - 2012

- Attended, partially (2:45 to 7:15pm), the CUPE 3903 Executive meeting (scheduled from 2:45 to 6:00pm).

Friday, October 26 - 2012

- Sent email to PostDoctoral contacts at York to schedule follow-up meeting about some questions that were raised on Oct 16 meeting.

Sunday, October 28 - 2012

- Compiled News items and sent out CUPE News over the News-listserve & the Stewards Council listserve.

Wednesday, October 31 - 2012

- Called Ian Clysdale at CUPE National to set up a CUPE website administration training-session.
 - Training session booked for Friday, Nov 02 at 10am.