President's Message September 30, 2019

Work-to-Rule

Today CUPE members started a work-to-rule campaign following a breakdown in talks with the Crown and trustee associations. Boards should have received a copy of the CUPE memo outlining what union members will/will not do during this labour action. If you have not seen it yet, you should be asking for a copy from your senior admin team so that you are aware.

We know that work-to-rule can be disruptive and challenging in schools and for principals and vice-principals, particularly as it progresses. To assist and advocate on your behalf, we will be liaising with your Provincial Councillors throughout the disruption to track events and activities that are negatively impacting students and schools, and we'll be sharing that information and our concerns with the government and Directors.

The Register is Online

The first edition of *The Register* for the 2019-20 school year is <u>now online</u>. This year, as a pilot project, we will not be publishing a print copy of the magazine, but an online version only. We are responding to Member suggestions to be more environmentally friendly and accessible. It's easy to read on your computer, tablet or phone. Make *The Register* part of your professional learning!

AGM Notice

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Principals' Council will be held in the Toronto I Ballroom at the Hilton Hotel, 145 Richmond St. E. Toronto, at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 24. The AGM will be attended by Provincial Councillors representing all OPC Districts. While the meeting is open to all Members, we recognize that the timing will make it difficult for you to attend. As a result, we will be video recording the meeting and will make it, along with a copy of the AGM Handbook, available to all Members the following week on our website.

Keeping you in the Loop - Audited Financial Statements

Our fiscal year (FY) begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th. The consolidated financial statements for FY 2018-19 were audited by RSM Canada LLP. These statements include the results of the OPC (Protective Services, Membership, Benefits, Professional Learning), International School Leadership (ISL) and Principals Association Projects (PAP). Provincial Council approved the FY 2018-19 audited consolidated financial statements on September 25th. The two most recent years' financial statements will be available to Members in the Finances section of our website the week following our AGM.

Media*

- How Orange Shirt Day is sparking healing
- <u>CUPE staff begin work-to-rule campaign</u>
- <u>CUPE says work-to-rule campaign will be disruptive</u>
- OSSTF puts positions on the table ahead of bargaining
- <u>Students still struggling to make the grade</u>
- Financial Accountability Officer estimates 10,000 teacher job losses over 4 years

**Please note that all media stories may not be accessible without a paid subscription. However, we want to identify important stories that are attracting media attention so you are aware of these issues.

Queen's Park

The House is in recess until October 28.