

Report to the UNDE Triennial Convention on the 1CAD UMCC

Our National President appointed 2 UNDE National Officers to the 1CAD UMCC, Sister Arlene Preston (VP/Ont) was the Co-Chair and Brother T. Mark Miller (VP/BC) was a Member. With the resignation of Sister Preston, I have assumed the Co-Chair role in an acting capacity until our convention, and Brother Turcq (VP/Que) has joined me as a Member of the UMCC.

We need to recognize the efforts of Sister Preston, and indeed her accomplishments in generating the type of productive meaningful relationships that we currently have within the RCAF. Her style has paved the way for us to continue to work well within the 1CAD structure.

Like all my other reports to this convention, details to this report are best found in the minutes of the UNDE National Executive meeting minutes found on the UNDE website.

We continue to have an ally with the RCAF on the Apprenticeship program and we look forward to that continuing good relationship as we move forward. This is not to say that all things are rosy within the 1CAD. The uncertainty around Goose Bay for one and the issues at that Wing ensure that stronger communications are required. We have just recently been supplied with a POC for Goose Bay within the Air Force, so it is hoped that we can settle issues in a timely manner.

We are also striving to improve the information flow around our Members employed by the contractor IMP, which services our SAR Helicopters. With better communications we should be able to hold the contractor to account for its obligations as an employer. We are trying every angle we can think of.

The RCAF of course will transition its WCEs to the ADM IE in 2016, and as of our last UMCC, there is no intention of it moving early like the RCN did. Hopefully, lessons learned by then will simplify the change to the single custodian.

Respectfully submitted by T. Mark Miller (VP/BC) and A/Co-Chair 1CAD UMCC