

Annex 10

VP British Columbia Report

Activities Report for Spring 09 N.E. meeting

Dec 15/08: conduct ratification votes at Esquimalt Legion and CFAD Rocky Point
Jan 08/09: conduct ratification votes at Esquimalt legion
Jan09/09: attend Local 1017 AGM and ratification vote at CFMETR (Nanoose)
Jan 12/09: attend meeting with MARPAC staff over Cooks trials on Ships
Jan 13/09: attend Local 1016 GM
Jan 15/09: attend Local 1010 AGM and later the PSAC Victoria Area Council
Jan 25/09: travel to Ottawa
Jan 26/09: chair FR Steering Committee
Jan 27/09: chair FR Steering Committee
Jan 28/09: co-chair FR Wellness Committee
Jan 29/09: travel home
Jan 31/09: attend HMCS Malahat CoC ceremony
Feb02/09: attend RAdm Pile townhall
Feb04/09: participate on NE conference call
Feb05/09: attend HMCS Winnipeg departure ceremonies
Feb08/09: travel to Ottawa
Feb09/09: attend PSAC pre-convention Collective Bargaining Committee
Feb10/09: as above
Feb11/09: as above
Feb12/09: as above
Feb13/09: as above
Feb14/09: travel home
Feb17/09: meet with Garry Robinson
Feb18/09: meet with CFB Esq Base Commander
Feb19/09: attend CFB Esq LMRC
Feb24/09: fly to Ottawa
Feb25/09: attend Canadian Apprenticeship Forum
Feb26/09: fly home
Feb27/09: missed EAP recognition luncheon for RAs
Mar09/09: attend CFB Esq strategic retreat session
Mar12/09: travel to Vancouver and attend PSAC National Officers meeting
Mar13/09: attend PSAC BC Convention Delegate meeting and travel home

For the FR Steering and Wellness Committees, I am pleased to say that both groups have met for the first time in this mandate and are off to a great start. The highlight of the Steering Committee, I would have to say was the joint session we had with the LCol Breton-the Canadian Forces Fire Marshall (CFFM) wherein we agreed to undertake a joint study of the FR compensation package with the object of being prepared for the next round of Collective Bargaining. Further to that, was support from the CFFM to go to Treasury Board for help in addressing the FRs Classification concerns. His letter and the TB response is attached. For the Wellness, agreement was reached on a survey to be distributed to the FireHalls for a better understanding of the direction needed to take. Finally, I would be remiss if I did not recognize and thank

Sister AnneMarie for her advice and assistance for these two committees. She has been an invaluable asset to myself and I'm sure-my predecessor. We look forward to working with Sister BrendaLee.

As to the pre-Convention Collective Bargaining Committee, my report to that has been distributed to the NE already, and will be presented to the Convention Delegates at our UNDE Caucus on the Saturday prior to.

The GLT Committee now has it's membership decided on and the agenda set for it's meeting which should be held in the late May/early June timeframe. The exact timing will be set following consultation with National Office Staff and the Nat Pres.

The Apprenticeship part of my portfolio has unfortunately been stalled by the unavailability of the SV Collective Agreement. Without it, the chance of engaging in meaningful dialogue with management is doubtful.

In fact, after we had the CA presented to us, I engaged the PSAC in a couple of rounds of Q & A which may be insightful to some, so I have attached them.

Of note within BC, is a management initiative involving our Supply sections. This review will mean an increase in our membership of around 12 . This will be done by realigning the uniformed members and backfilling with Civilians. Flowing out of this is also the possibility of a Civilian presence on HMCS ships. We have just come off of a trial placing Civilian Cooks on the Orca class vessels due to a shortage of Military ones and this could be expanded out to larger vessels in training situations.

We have scheduled in May the mandated training on the UNDE Module 1 as per the NE retreat. And in Sept we are setting up for a grievance handling course.

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