Canadian Office and Professional Employees' Union/Syndicat Canadien des Employées et Employés Professionnels et de Bureau

## **BY-ELECTION CALL**

1 Regional Vice President – Saskatchewan – Region 3 1 Regional Vice President – National Office – Region 6 August 10, 2017

Between September 14 and September 20, 2017, members from Region 3 (Saskatchewan) and Region 6 (National Office & Ottawa Area Office) will elect Regional Vice Presidents in accordance with our Bylaws.

## Executive position:

One Regional Vice-President –
Saskatchewan – Region 3 – term ending
December 31, 2017.

One Regional Vice-President – National Office – Region 6 – term ending December 31, 2017.

Elected by a vote of their region's membership.

Nominations will open August 17, 2017 and must be submitted to the Returning Officer by 4:00 P.M. on August 30, 2017; the day nominations close.

To be eligible for Regional Vice President nomination and election, a member must be in continuous good standing for twelve (12) consecutive months prior to date of nomination. The member must be part of the region holding elections.

No nomination shall be accepted unless the member nominating has signed the nomination form and the member nominated has indicated on the form, or by other means, their willingness to stand for office.

A complete list of candidates for office will be posted on the Local Union website on August 31, 2017.

After the closing of nominations all duly nominated candidates will be extended an opportunity to have a maximum of one (1) article included in the electronic voting system, and posted on the Local Union website.

The article may reference candidate websites but shall not contain any active links to external websites.

Sister Crystal Fournier will serve as Returning Officer during the election. Voting will be conducted using electronic voting over seven days, September 14 - 20, 2017.

Your participation as a candidate or as an informed voter in Union elections is crucial because those you elect will help administer the affairs of the Union.

Personal email addresses should be received by Sister Crystal via your RVP and no later than September 13, 2017 in order to ensure receipt of ballots.

In Solidarity,

President, COPE Local 491

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

August 10, 2017 Election Call

August 17, 2017 Nominations open August 30, 2017 4:00 P.M. Nominations close

August 31, 2017
Complete list of
candidates will be posted
on the Union's website

September 7, 2017 Website posting of articles begins

September 13, 2017 Personal email address deadline

**September 14 - 20, 2017 VOTE** 

## Campaign Rules

Campaigning cannot occur during work time.

Use of the employer's voice mail or email to circulate election material is not permitted.

Candidates are asked to conduct themselves with dignity at all times.

Any behaviour or material that undermines the dignity or self-esteem of any individual or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment will not be tolerated.

Each duly nominated candidate may submit a maximum of one (1) article to be published on the Local Union website and included in the electronic voting system. Website posting of articles begin September 7, 2017.

Crystal Fournier,
Returning Officer, COPE Local 491