

## Sisters & Brothers:

I am asking for your vote for the seat on the COPE Local 491 Bargaining Committee, in order to represent the West.

I have worked for CUPE since December of 2012. In January of 2013, I took on the position of Regional Vice-President, and have held this position since.

In my previous years as a member of CUPE, I gained extensive experience in dealing with difficult and challenging grievances as one of the Table Officers for eight years. I have participated and helped negotiate several settlements in grievances and mediation.

I believe the Bargaining Committee needs to be well prepared to successfully negotiate a contract that is fair for all members of the Local. I think my attention to detail, strong will, and thorough preparation will be a valuable asset to the Bargaining Committee. I have spent a large part of the last three years trying to better my knowledge of COPE 491 and am looking for a more challenging position within our Local. I strongly believe in our union, and I am optimistic that with hard work and a strong Bargaining Committee, we will be successful in negotiating a fair Collective Agreement for all. I am asking for your confidence in me and your vote for this position.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration!

In solidarity,

Trish Sinclair